

All Souls Pastoral Parish Council AGM Meeting

Date: 3rd June 2018		Venue: Parish Room		Time: 12.20pm	
Chair: Paola Casagrande		Minutes: Michelle Drake			
Attendees:	Fr. Michael Brandon	Deacon Paul Rabvukwa	Barbara McGowan	Paola Casagrande	Michael Tourville
	Richard Walsh	Michelle Drake	Laura Crowe	John Corroon	Claire Kirrane
	Claire Groves				
Apologies:	Irene Zikpi	Tony Thompson			

Minutes for PPC AGM Meeting June 3rd 2018

Items discussed
<p>1 Open</p> <p>AGM opened and all welcomed by Fr. Michael who introduced all of the PPC members and advised of their roles within the PPC.</p>
<p>2 Constitution and Mission statement</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Chair presented the Constitution, Mission Statement then thanked those members stepping down and called for nominations for elections for the current five vacancies. Three new volunteers gave their details to the chair and have been invited to join the next meeting. Anyone else who would like to be considered please see Paola, Fr. Michael, Deacon Paul or Barbara
<p>3 Catechetical programmes update</p> <p>The current Journey of Faith programme ended with new Catholics being Confirmed at the Easter vigil.</p>
<p>4 IQRA and CTEC update</p> <p>CTEC and IQRA initiatives e.g. prayer breakfasts were highlighted and interest invited from everyone to attend events. More advertising was called for of upcoming events.</p>
<p>5 Census</p> <p>The data collected 2 years ago will need to be revisited to update contact details. There is currently no parish secretary and in order to keep costs to a minimum volunteers are always needed either as PPC members or on a casual basis to help with parish life e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Admin skills to keep data base updated, respond to emails, type up the Parish newsletter, help to organise and advertise social events e.g. making posters, Catechists to help teach the faith e.g. help out on a rota with Sunday School / children's liturgy,

- Many other jobs that enrich parish life and help to make All Souls a thriving, diverse and inclusive church include e.g. Choir members, readers, Eucharistic ministers, church cleaners, flower arrangers, repository shop helpers, cake makers for social events, help with teas and coffees after each Mass etc etc etc.

If you can spare some time occasionally either by committing to a rota or on an ad hoc basis we would love to hear from you. Please contact any member of the PPC, Fr. Michael, Barbara or pop in to the repository shop with your details and we will get back to you.

7 Ordination

The next celebration in the parish will be the ordination of Friar Gerard Mary Toman, on 6th July 2018 at 1.00pm followed by a party in the Presbytery garden afterwards. All welcome to attend.

The mass is expected to last an hour and a half and the school will be represented by years 5 and 6 as well as the school choir.

Any volunteers who can help with setting up e.g. tables chairs, serving teas, coffees and drinks, baking cakes and clearing away please add your name to the lists in the foyer.

Parish Finances

The parish accountant Michael Tourville presented the finances.

- Income has increased in the last 5 years largely due to rental incomes increasing. The church itself has running costs of - £37k.
- The hardship fund is healthy and small amounts are available on a case by case basis via Fr. Michael.

Suggestions to help increase income included

- Be more transparent and give finances a greater profile in the newsletter less often e.g. monthly, expenditure v average monthly income.
- Encourage more parishioners to subscribe to a monthly direct debit and donate gift aid contributions.
- Invest in solar panels on the church roof to help with heating bills, this was investigated a few years ago but found not to be economically viable.

8 Future meetings

PPC meeting 28th June 2018 7.30p

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Parish suggestions

If anyone has any other suggestions on how to improve parish life please come along to our next PPC meeting or write your suggestions down and hand them into the repository shop after Mass.