

All Souls Pastoral Parish Council Meeting

Date: 29th Septembert 2016	Venue: Parish Room	Time: 7.30pm			
Chair: Poala Casagrande	Minutes: Michelle Drake				
Attendees:					
Present:	Fr. Michael Brandon Tony T	Deacon Paul Rabvukwa Christopher Kay	Barbara McGowan Claire Groves	John Corroon Michelle Drake	Michael Tourville
Apologies:	Irene Zikpi	Richard Walsh	Laura Crowe	Claire Kirrane	

Notes & Actions from Previous meeting	Action Owner	Deadline
(2) Elections: Paola Casagrande elected as Chair and Michelle Drake as Secretary New members Claire Groves welcomed Laura Crowe and Claire Kirrane unable to attend today.	All	September 16
(12 &13) Parish Census / Jobs List CK presented a Parish Census and skills audit for discussion with members. Handing out instead of a second collection after mass , with pens was suggested by CG. All agreed needs condensing and to be separate from any finance appeal. MT stated also need a jobs list up on display in the foyer or parish room for people to complete when they have considered them. Fr. M and CK to simplify skills list /jobs and census.	Fr.M and CK	TBA
(15) Summer Garden Party Date confirmed as 2nd July 2017 after 11.15 am Sunday mass. BM stated subcommittee needed to involve school through PTA for help with setting up etc. A beer tent, BBQ and tying in with a sporting event all mentioned. Fr.M stated parish have mini marquees. BM reminded all good organisation required so early distribution of tasks needed. Council agreed to appoint subcommittee next meeting. Potential for fundraising opportunity? new roof, refurbish kitchen, redecoration of parish room?	All	TBA
(10) Night Shelter	CK and Fr.M	December

<p>CK reported back having spoken with Nobby Clark that more sites are not required but volunteers at existing shelters would be very welcome starting from December 5th. Nobby is happy to talk to us about shifts if required, PC thought specific details would be useful to anyone interested suggesting Nobby could speak after mass or details go in the bulletin.</p>		
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AGENDA

Items to discuss and actions	Action owner
1 Prayer	All
2 Elections See update above	All
3 Apologies See above	All
<p>4 General thoughts / feelings about and beyond church life in the parish</p> <p>PC expressed both surprise and encouragement of Christian faith found in a new prayer group at her work place. Members discussed that many found less social interaction and very little discussion or acknowledgement of religion or faith among colleagues. CG questioned how we as a church are perceived in the wider local community provoking discussion around being more proactive. BM and CK promoted welcoming / speaking to others before and after mass, MT and CG suggested possible leaflet /newsletter distribution around local streets advertising mass times and activities e.g. choir, CTEC, Journey of faith etc to reach out to new people to the area e.g. students away from home that may need pastoral care and alternative social links as well as to lapsed parishioners.</p> <p>Members also discussed the lack of attendance at mass from families with children attending the school and how they might become more involved with church life, agreeing that the latest initiative of Sunday school followed by mass was effectively targeting years three and six prior to receiving the sacraments next year.</p> <p>All agreed that there is a loyal congregation that attend both masses most weeks and that special occasions are generally well attended.</p>	All
5 Prayer breakfast CTEC	CG,PC and JC

<p>01.10.16 assistance required from 7.30am- 9.00 am to help with tea making.</p> <p>6 How Great CTEC mini festival</p> <p>Will take place weekend of 6th-9th October Fr M drew attention to the film 'Of Gods and Men' showing on Thursday evening and finishing at All Souls on Sunday with a mini feast and Vespers. The event had a very informative poster circulated to surrounding streets with the aim of raising the Christian profile within the wider community. It was noted that although more people attend All Souls the smaller congregations are more proactive within their churches. All members encouraged to attend where can.</p> <p>PPC members to take turns in attending CTEC Ecumenical committee meetings bi monthly and the local Moslem community meetings at the IQRA centre to demonstrate our support, inclusion and tolerance.</p> <p>7 Journey of faith group</p> <p>Starts on 13th October BM has had an informative flyer produced with the time, dates and topics covered. PPC members asked to help distribute before and after mass. They will also be available in the foyer.</p> <p>8 Discipleship group</p> <p>Started on 22nd September now changing to Tuesday evenings 7.30pm from October.</p>	<p>Rota TBA</p> <p>All</p>
<p>9 Young Catholics group</p> <p>CK has had issues trying to organise further dates due to the room being well used. Suggestions for a parish diary /calendar or weekly planner to be visible in the foyer or parish room to make it easy to book the room was considered essential. Fr. M has the diary at present but is hoping to interview a potential volunteer administrator who may be able to manage the diary and requested bookings.</p>	<p>Fr. M and CK</p>
<p>10 Christmas party will take place on 10th December from 6.30pm.</p> <p>Raffle tickets have been organised and prizes to be finalised but include £100.00, a hamper and a restaurant voucher. Selling of raffle tickets needs to start asap possible recruitment of Year 4 and 5 children to be considered Fr. M to enquire with the school.</p> <p>Council members that attended last year remarked on its success and enjoyed the environment declining the suggestion to expand it to a larger venue and lose</p>	<p>Fr.M</p>

<p>the community spirit cultivated.</p> <p>11 Fellowship Meal Saturday 21st January 1917 CTEC event.</p> <p>It is All Souls turn to provide a 3 course meal for between 60 - 70 people. Parish provides the wine. TT to provide pots for chilli / vegartarian option / rice. Garlic bread to be made and then brought to the parish room. Cold starter / dessert needed due to limited cooking facilities in the parish room kitchen. JC can provide a hostess trolley to keep food /plates warm. Subcommittee to meet at a later date and confirm menus and logistics.</p>	<p>JC, TT, PC and CG</p> <p>TBA</p>
<p>12. List of jobs</p> <p>See update from last meeting above</p> <p>13. Census</p> <p>See update from last meeting above</p> <p>14. Finance Appeal</p> <p>MT advised of roof appeal. £20k needed to fix the roof over the car park entrance porch. Weekly finances parish costs £1100, income from collection between £700 - £800, the loss of income notable since 5.30pm mass ceased but starting to steady again now. Good rental income from the nursery noted. MT and Fr. M to discuss how to make an appeal e.g. after mass , collection etc. Repository shop, kitchen, parish room, foyer and car park entrance also all need redecoration.</p>	<p>MT and Fr. M</p>
<p>15. Garden Party</p> <p>See update from last meeting above</p> <p>AOB</p> <p>Midnight mass</p> <p>Midnight Mass times briefly discussed and agreed to reconsider in the future. It was agreed to remain as 9.00pm for this year because many enjoy the mince pie and mulled wine afterwards promoting good community spirit</p> <p>Repository shop</p> <p>MD asked if new stock could be ordered and the shop be given a mini revamp. Fr. M agreed. PC suggested Advent to relaunch.</p> <p>Meeting Agenda</p> <p>CK asked if members can be sent the agenda in good time before next meeting to allow time to add items for discussion. MD agreed</p>	<p>MD</p> <p>MD</p>

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Date of next meeting: Tuesday 15th November 2016