St. Alban's RC Church Parish Pastoral Council Minutes of meeting 4th November 2010

Present: Mark Booton, Shaun Reid, Jo Rowlands, Geoff Rowlands, Eileen Rees, Maria Neads, Cath Green, Fr. Ka Fai, Clare Cox, Fran Wickes, Kevin Boyle, Mary Keogh. **Apologies**: James Kissane, Fr Gerry, Lorraine Collins.

Previous minutes: need to be amended to as yet CAFOD decision not made, looking at a few countries and then making a decision. All other minutes agreed as correct.

Opening Prayer: led by Geoff. Opening prayer at next meeting to be led by Cath Green.

Matters arising:

John Bell evening, to be promoted at weekend masses. Tickets are currently selling well.

Taize evening was reported to be a success.

1. Pastoral Plan:

Consider mission statement and bring ideas to next parish council meeting in December, with the aim to create an updated mission statement.

Potential for a liturgy group discussed. First one to be scheduled for Lent 2011.

Current parish plan reviewed and discussed. It was agreed that the current Parish Pastoral Plan was very complex ad needed to be more concise now. It was agreed that the main focus for 2011-2013 would be liturgy. The plan would then be reviewed again. Some of previous aims are being achieved, so now need to have continued support. Up to date and relevant information agreed. Maria Neads to draught new, concise version following the discussion. To be reviewed at next meeting.

Suggested feedback in the form of a report, perhaps once a year, from other groups within the parish e.g. welcomer's, eucharistic ministers etc so we can see how the aims are being achieved. Links with other churches, suggestion for St.Alban's events to be emailed to other churches in the local area.

Chairs in Parish centre looking worse for wear. Clare Cox to investigate the cost of re-upholstery and new rubber feet for chairs.

2. Mass Times Christmas:

Christmas Eve: 4pm amd 6.30pm St.Alban's, 8.30pm Oakwood

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Christmas Day: 10am St. Alban's, 5pm Church on Oakwood (Shaun Reid to confirm via email with Fr. Gerry)

Boxing Day: 10am St.Alban's

Dates once confirmed to be advertised in C&C magazine, along with carol concert.

3. CAFOD update:

Next presentation will be on the 11.12.10 and 12.12.10 on Cambodia.

CAFOD meeting 16.11.10 at 7.30pm, St. Mary's to be attended by Eileen Rees.

CAFOD Quiz night 19.11.10 at 6.30pm, organized by youth group.

4. Calender dates for Nov & Dec: list read out by Shaun of various events going on in the parish.

Spirituality group have provided dates for the next year, so at next Parish council meeting future meeting dates will be discussed.

Next Parish council meeting: 9.12.10.

Fr.Gerry returns on 15.12.10. To welcome his return a shared table in Parish centre on 19.12.10 after Mass will be arranged. Maria Neads to make a cake. From 19th December, Mass will return to 10 o'clock. A present & a card will be organised by the Parish Council to present to Father Ka Fai on Sunday 12th December by way of a thank you. Also, to invite him to the shared table on 19.12.10.

5. AOB: none

6. Closing prayer: led my Maria.