ST ALBAN'S R.C. CHURCH

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING

9th DECEMBER 2010

Present: Maria Neads, Shaun Reid, Lorraine Collins, Kevin Boyle,

Clare Cox, Geoff Rowlands, Mark Booton, Cath Green,

Fran Wickes, James Kissane

Apologies: Fr G Murphy, Fr Ka Fai Lee, Jo Rowlands, Eileen Rees, Mary Keogh

Opening Prayer – led by Cath Green – themed on music from John Bell.

Minutes 04.11.10 – approved.

Pastoral Plan – the group continued to see how the pastoral plan can be improved on with the main aim around the Liturgy. Maria has prepared a document – this was discussed and some amendments made – this will be sent out separately. We explored on how we can more involve the various support groups and encourage them to develop and grow:-

Split into groups of two and attend their meetings Send them a letter to see what their thoughts are Parish Annual General Meeting – make this in to an "away day" Attend a school governors' meeting

We discussed how many parents wish to place their children at faith schools, but do not attend the relevant Church – both Catholic and Anglican. On the other hand, the parish youth group appears to attract teenagers who value been part of this group, however, they are not seen at Mass. We therefore agreed that we should make it a priority, along with the Liturgy, to meet these groups where they are.

This will be discussed further at the next meeting

John Bell – both the music evening and the workshops were very well attended.

Youth Group – the quiz night went extremely well and raised £80.00 for CAFOD.

Parish Christmas Programme

All Christmas mass times are now on the newsletter

Fr Gerry – returns on 15th December, first mass on the 16th.

Fr Ka Fai – in his absence, we all thanked Fr Ka Fai for his support during Fr Gerry's sabbatical. A special card has been prepared from the children and some gifts of thanks. These will be presented to him at 11am mass on Sunday 12th.

Future Meeting Dates:-

20th January – opening prayer to be led by Clare Cox 3rd March 14th April

Closing Prayer – led by Shaun