

ST ALBAN'S R.C. CHURCH
PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING

14th July 2011

Present: Fr Paul Newman, Lorraine Collins, Eileen Rees, Kevin Boyle, Clare Cox, Maria Neads, Mary Keogh, Shaun Reid, Jo Rowlands, Mark Booton

Apologies: Jo Rowlands, Cath Green, Fran Wickes, James Kissane

Opening Prayer – led by Fr Paul

Minutes From Last Meeting – Re pastoral plan started by October/ November (rather than completed).

All other minutes agreed as correct. Agreed future minutes are to be displayed on the notice board.

Pastoral Plan – Spirituality group meeting in September. Shaun to check mission statement, then to be distributed and displayed. Shaun attended welcome core group. James visited the music group. Visits were very useful. Maria, Geoff and Shaun to form a sub group to look at data received from forms. Shaun mentioned forum of faiths he attended. Shaun will sign up for the group and feed information back to parish council. Eileen meeting with cleaning groups informally.

Buildings – Poly carbonate on lower windows, which will be cut to fit exactly. Funding bid to put in for fencing, which is a 3 month process. Peace garden to be developed. Proposed plan for peace garden distributed. Geoff has done this piece of work. Electrical testing has been completed. Some remedial items to be done. Waiting for quotes. Diagram of smoke alarms, emergency lighting etc must be displayed, as it is a legal requirement. Shaun working on this. Tables and chairs discussed. Instant hot water (hydra boil) discussed for use in the kitchen. Clare to look at quotes for that. Clare, Geoff and Lorraine volunteered to discuss these issues in a sub group.

CAFOD – Collection for CAFOD raised £435. Psychiatrist came over from Rwanda talked about his work helping traumatized children. CAFOD aiming to meet to discuss this material. Possibility of a quiz night discussed with funds to go to East Africa around the autumn time.

Oakwood – Fr. Paul preached on May 29th service. Flower festival was a success. Renewed the covenant. Harvest festival on 1st & 2nd October. Lindsay retires in October and Jo her curate is leaving at the end of July. Parish council to send a thank you card. Eileen volunteered to be the new rep for the Derby Deanery Pastoral council.

Children's Liturgy – Meeting on 6th September at 7.30pm. Copy of plan and objectives given to Fr. Paul. Post communion children are to be encouraged to go into Mass. Maria to speak to welcomer's so they can guide the older children into Mass. This change has led to 3 new altar servers and volunteers to read. Asked for new pictures of children's liturgy group to be updated on the website. Positive feedback from parish re website.

Upcoming Events:-

St. Alban's harvest festival on 2nd October. Wine tasting and pairing with food evening sometime in the autumn. Carol service on 11th December at St. Alban's at 3pm. 18th December at Oakwood. Clare to let us know the date of the pumpkin event at school. 1st weekend in September the new mass format will start.

A.O.B. – Expenditure to go up on the board. Diane has collated all the information this was shown to parish council and discussed. Thanks to Diane for completing that big piece of work.

Balance sheet to be discussed at each parish council meeting in the future.

Copyright of music discussed - meeting to be arranged.

Future Meetings –15th September

Next Meeting Opening Prayer – to be led by James

Closing Prayer – Closing prayer led by Fr. Paul.