ST ALBANS CHURCH

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

6th June 2013

Present:- Fr Paul, Mark Booton, Clare Cox, Geoff Rowlands, , James

Kissane, Mary Keogh, Eileen Rees, Kevin Boyle, Cath Green,

Fran Wickes

Apologies: - Jo Rowlands, Maria Neads Jessica Daykin

Opening Prayer – led by Fr Paul – Year of Faith Prayer

Previous Meeting's Minutes - approved

Sick & Retired Priests' Appeal – cake sale by the Youth Group on 2nd June raised £60.00 – thank you very much.

Parish Council Elections – there were 12 nominations in total – New - Dean Clegg, Edmund Duncombe, David McArdle, Simon Baldwin, Sanju Sabu & Lewis Griffin. 2nd Term - Eileen Rees, Clare Cox, James Kissane, Kevin Boyle, Fran Wickes & Geoff Rowland. Announcement to go in parish newsletter w/e 15/16 June. A letter will be sent to each of the new members. The first meeting will be 18th July.

Living Stones - no further updates to proposed changes. There is a meeting of the Deanery Council on 20th/21st June to discuss the plans.

Council Communication – letter from Angela Fairbrother about week of guided prayer 11th – 15th November at St Albans – there will be an information day for this on Sunday 10th November.

Letter from the Honduras Children's Trust thanking for the pasta.

CAFOD – Connect2 arrangement has now ended. Is there another cause the parish can support?

Deacon John – ordination on 13th June. He will be leaving the parish on 16th June to make his final preparations. Collection to be arranged for a gift and thank you cards. Kevin to say thank you at Saturday mass on 15th June, Cath at 10am mass 16th June, Fran at 5:00 mass. John will be saying mass at St Albans on 3rd/4th August – shall we organise a party?

Report From Oakwood – service for the renewal of the covenant.

Peace Garden – the water feature and raised beds are now complete.

Recent Events – 11th May - Pentecost Service – led by Spirituality Group 18th/19th May - 1st Communion – both services went very well and were well supported by the parish.

1st/2nd June – St Joseph's Adoration – all vigil slots were attended

Upcoming Events -

21st June – Circus Day 23rd June – St Albans Day – shared table 12th July – St Albansbury 13th July – John's Ordination 3rd/4th August – John leading Mass 22nd August – Holy Land trip

Future Meetings – 18th July

Closing Prayer – led by Cath – prayer of St Francis Assisi