

ST ALBANS CHURCH
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

5th December 2013

Present:- Fr Paul, Kevin Boyle, Mark Booton, Clare Cox, James Kissane, David McArdle, Lewis Griffin, Dean Clegg, Eileen Rees

Apologies: - Geoff Rowlands, Sanju Sabu, Simon Baldwin, Fran Wickes, Eddie Duncombe, Caroline Collins

Opening Prayer – led by Sanju

Previous Meeting's Minutes – approved

Council Communication –suggestion box – ban e-cigarettes in parish hall?
Parish council email address has been set up – ppc@stalbandsderby.org.uk – to sign in, user name is email address, password.....

Living Stones – Deanery meeting at St Mary's on 12th December – Fr Paul, Mark, Eileen, Fran, Kevin & Geoff will attend.
Précis of meeting to be read out at masses 14/15 December.

Sick & Retired Priests' Appeal – Appeal Committee formed – Richard, Sanju, Christine & Ellen.
Presentation to the parish to be held in February AGM.

Report From Oakwood – Finance – proposals have been accepted.

AGM – set for 1st February – to be announced in newsletter after Epiphany.
Provide cheese & wine – Eddie & Emma.

Parish Hall – Opportunity Knocks will be hiring the hall Monday to Friday from 08:30 till 15:00 starting in January – this is excellent news, not just for those who enjoyed the Wetherby Group, but also for the parish.

Recent Events:-

Christmas Bazaar – well attended, raised £3,000.
Week of Guided Prayer – attended by 20 people a day
Celebration Mass at St Barnabas to celebrate end of Year of Faith – a very colourful event.

Upcoming Events:-

15th Dec – Oakwood Carol Service

19th Dec – Year 6 Carol Service

22nd Dec – St Albans Carol Service

22nd Jan – Christian Unity Service at Oakwood

Early Feb – Survive Miva Appeal

23rd Feb – Juan Carlos' deacon candidacy at St Barnabas

Christmas Eve:- discussion whether to have a video link into the parish hall to accommodate numbers – refer to Geoff.

AOB:-

Altar Servers – sponsored walk through Ticknall & Staunton Harold in April 2014 – raise money for SRP – parishioners can join for a fee.

Janice Wright is standing down from playing the keyboards in the music group.

Fran appointed chaplain at St Albans school

CRB Disclosure – discussion around CRB checks for Santa

Future Meetings:-

16th January

1st February – AGM & SRP Presentation

Closing Prayer – led by Fr Paul