

**ST ALBANS CHURCH**  
**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

**16<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2015**

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**Present:-** Fr Paul, Juan Carlos Valer, Kevin Boyle, James Kissane, David McArdle, Clare Cox, , Eddie Duncombe, Simon Baldwin,

**Apologies:-** Geoff Rowlands, Eileen Rees, Sanju Sabu, Mark Booton, Lewis Fenn Griffin, Georgia Clewer, Fran Wickes

**Opening Prayer:** led by Juan Carlos

**Previous Meeting's Minutes** – The minutes of the previous meeting were read out and approved.

**Questions –**

- Is there any possibility to do something for the older generation in the Parish – possible day trips, outings – the older members did so much to build up this Parish – discussed in Social
- Intincture – not encouraged by The Church

**Annual General Meeting** – points arising

- Older Youth Group – this is in the process of being set up
- More seating available – this is being done
- Parish Group Communication – responsibilities to be placed on the board next to the photo of the relevant PPC member
- Pastoral Plan – copy to be given to each group
- Doctrine Pamphlets – two options – a. £139 rack with 5 copies of 12 titles or b. £240 rack with 3 copies of 30 titles
- AGM Minutes – made available on website and from office

**Social** – 27<sup>th</sup> June - Cheese & Wine evening with entertainment – JK to ask Catherine if available

21<sup>st</sup> June – St Albans Day – bouncy castle? Clare to enquire

23<sup>rd</sup> May – Altar Servers Walk – location TBC

11<sup>th</sup> July – PPC Summer Event – trip to Carsington for all

Suggestions – Birmingham Christmas Market, Fish & Chip Night, Away Day Picnic (11<sup>th</sup> July), Barn Dance, International Evening (13<sup>th</sup> September)

**Buildings** – access ramp to Baptistry – mobile, approx. £300

David Cox & Joe Farmer have joined the buildings committee

List of local handymen/trades to be drawn up

**Choir Loft** – possible to carpet? Seen as medium priority, unnecessary expense

**Parish Groups** – nothing to report

Website – Simon asked if more people can be involved as it is quite time-consuming. More contributors. Kevin & Juan Carlos to discuss with Simon & Fran – report at next meeting.

**Recent Events:**

4<sup>th</sup> April – Polish blessing of food

1<sup>st</sup> April – Chrism Mass

5<sup>th</sup> April – 5 new Catholics

Easter – all services well attended, prayerful

### **Upcoming Events –**

Weddings & Baptisms

14<sup>th</sup> May – Crossing The Threshold – Reaching Out – ongoing over 18 month period

24<sup>th</sup> May – 2pm – Sick & Housebound Service

6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> June – 1<sup>st</sup> Communion

21<sup>st</sup> June – St Albans Day

25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> July – Mission Appeal

27<sup>th</sup> September – Harvest Festival

28<sup>th</sup> November – Christmas Bazaar

12<sup>th</sup> December – Seniors Christmas Lunch

### **AOB –**

Female Youth Volunteer – put in newsletter

6<sup>th</sup> June – Fr Phillip Holland – 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – gift/card? FP to enquire

Linus – won't accept any payment – FP gave him a bike

**Future Meetings** – Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June at 7:30pm

**Closing Prayer**