

Parish Pastoral Committee

Minutes of the Meeting held on 4th December 2018

Present:

Fr Edward Crouzet, Madeline Little, Tim Naylor, Gavin Purves, June Stallard

Apologies:

There were no apologies

Minutes of the last meeting:

The minutes of the last meeting were approved and accepted.

Matters arising:

- The Day of Recollection now confirmed as 4th May 2019. Fr Edward to arrange transport for the speaker. **Fr E**
- The new reader/MOHC rotas now covered three months. Another MOHC would be desirable.
- Fr Edward attended the Extraordinary Deanery meeting and reported that the proposed Mass times were not accepted. A new parish priest has been appointed to St Joseph's in the new year.
- Fr Edward hope to have the services of a Parish Secretary for a few hours each week in the new year.
- Fr Edward to confirm with Fr Stephen (Evesham) re prison/hospital chaplaincy. **Fr E**
- Further thought to be given to a 'play area' for young children.
- Madeline has made contact with Dympna O'Grady, meeting with her on 18th December to discuss Safeguarding. Report to next meeting. **ML**
- Fr Edward to contact teachers at St Mary's, Lugwardine re young people becoming servers, and for confirmation. **Fr E**
- Gavin to review the insurance schedule covering the church. **GP**
- Gavin proposed a Harvest Mass. Proposal to be produced. **GP**
- MOHC commissioning will be on Corpus Christi, every two years.

Christmas Masses:

- Servers, readers and MOHC have been appointed for the Christmas period.

The Crib:

- June to set up the Crib on 23rd December. **JS**
- Tim will get the crib figures down. **TN**
- No children's service planned this year.

Review of 10.30 Mass on 2nd December:

- Fourteen people had attended the Schola Gregoriana workshop and it was hoped that this would be repeated again in the future. The Mass at 10.30 on the Sunday was lovely but it was decided that the text should be provided for the congregation on future occasions.

New Bidding Prayer Format:

- It was felt that the prayers were a little too formal, and another person needed to help to compose the prayers. Mary Wilson to be approached. **Fr E**
- More emphasis needed on the silence after the bidding prayer before 'Lord in your mercy'

The Cemetery:

- Gavin reported that dog fouling was still occurring and was an increasing problem. Gavin to speak to the owner about this. **GP**
- He asked if money could be made available to provide a compost heap, a bin for glass and plastic, and bulbs. Gavin to ask Richard to provide a plan. **GP**

Website:

- It was proposed that future events should feature on the website. Howard had previously said he was planning a 'special events' page. It was suggested that contacting Howard re updates was something Fr Edward's secretary could undertake.

AOB:

- Gavin enquired about the storage space under the church. This currently holds equipment etc belonging to a builder, who is gradually clearing it. This space would be useful for storing equipment etc needed for the maintenance of the cemetery. Fr Edward to speak to the builder. **Fr E**
- Madeline to buy a Thank You card to send to Charlotte Carver to thank her for all her work organising the Bazaar on 28th November. **ML**

Date of Next Meeting:

- Tuesday 8th January 2019 at 6pm.