



Parish of The Most Precious Blood

Part of the R.C. Diocese of Plymouth Reg. Charity No. 213227

Parish Priest: Canon Paul Cummins

NOTES FROM THE PASTORAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING – 21st MAY 2016

Meeting chaired by John Larter (JL) who welcomed everyone whilst giving apologies from Una.

In Una's absence Naomi agreed to take notes

Prayers and reflection were led by Jeremy

- Items brought forward: The pilgrimage to the cathedral was discussed and it was thought that it might be appropriate for the Parish to combine with the HCPT 60th Anniversary Mass at the Cathedral on July 2nd. ACTION Michael, Tanya and Naomi (to call Rev Monsignor Canon Bartholomew Nannery at Cathedral to look at feasibility)

The Font – is going to press and should be ready to give out by Corpus Christi weekend or the weekend after.

ACTION: Parish Secretary and JL to co-ordinate distribution.

The question of where the money for 'The Poor' goes to from the collection box in the Church and would it be appropriate to change the labelling if the SVP were to take on the contents of the box. It was agreed that the name should remain the same and if the SVP or any other Parish-linked charity needed funds they could make a request to Father Paul.

- Property review report
Cathy reported that we are now in 'Gateway One' and a meeting should be convened (ACTION Parish Secretary) to bring together the PPC, Building Group and Parish secretary to discuss the re-ordering and extension project in detail, focussing on what each ministry will require by way of storage and space. The revised Process Document will be provided to the Parish Secretary including the seating plan in order to make copies available before and at the meeting. (Action Cathy)
Once that meeting has taken place the plans will go back to the Architect for them to make amendments to the plans. This will create a clear set of plans and a more robust costing for the amended plans to be presented to the Parish through a set of open forums. This in turn will lead to the plans eventually being presented to the Diocese.
- Items brought by Parish Priest
Father Paul is concerned about the 'Formation' of parishioners and wished to revisit the plan to have Faith Meals where we would invite speakers from other faiths to broaden our views on 'Mercy'. ACTION: Michael and Naomi. Suggestions were made to contact 'Robin' from Exeter University, The contact at The Cinnamon Tree and David Wells at SBH
- Second Collections
Quantity and spacing of Second Collections is an issue amongst parishioners and it was felt that with some imaginative organisation of the diary the situation could be improved ACTION Parish Secretary
Four non-mandatory collections will also be discontinued to alleviate the situation. Christian Aid donations will be made by attending activities in the town connected with the Charity. ACTION: Parish Secretary to contact the current organiser of the Christian Aid collection.
JL also asked that Gift Aid forms or envelopes should be made available whenever possible ACTION: Parish Secretary
- PPC Elections
There will be three vacancies on the PPC to be filled by 1st October 2016. PPC members were asked to think carefully about who should be invited to join the PPC as Father Paul considers this to be his official advisory group in all matters to do with the running of the Parish. ACTION: JL and Parish Secretary to set a date for Ambo 'talk' by FP and scheduling of elections.
- Date of Next Meeting – Saturday 16th July at 10am in St Teresa's Hall – Prayers and reflection to be led by JL and note taking by Cathy.