



Sacred Heart Church  
Parish of The Sacred Heart, Flitwick  
Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council  
Thursday, 10 January 2019

**PRESENT**

Siobhan Campbell	Helen Burgess
Fr. John Danford	Eamonn Diver
Maggie Dullaghan	John Fletcher
Roger Wilshaw	Suzanne Yates
Peter Leatherland (PAC)	

**APOLOGIES**

Paula Bates	Diana Page
Deacon Philip Pugh	

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1	Opening prayer by Fr. John	
2	Apologies – as above	
3	Minutes were passed as a true record and <b>agreed</b> that they would be published on website.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>SY to add to website</b></li> </ul>
4	<p><b>Matters Arising</b> Food Preparation Training Course – JFle informed the group that Central Bedfordshire ran a level 2 course.</p> <p>Appliance Testing – Hugh Davies to organise this and people who use their own appliances will need to have them tested on that day</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>JFle to find 2 or 3 people to do the course and he to speak to Kate Mansford about this</b></li> </ul>
5	<p><b>Focus Areas</b></p> <p><b>No area discussed</b></p>	
6	<p><b>Standing Items</b></p> <p>(i) <b>Health and Safety – JFle</b> Nothing to Report</p> <p>(ii) <b>Safeguarding – PB</b> The new procedures will result in more paperwork for new and renewal applications. The Diocese has returned about half dozen applications which PB thought had not been processed at their end with various queries. PB is dealing as fast as she can as only minor queries but</p>	

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	<p>each applicant needs to be contacted.</p> <p>(iii) <b>Children Liturgy Report – PB</b> Numbers are very small. We are managing just using the three leaders and occasional help by the forth leader who was unable to commit prior to Christmas. We currently have no chaperones rota and are asking for parental help at each session.</p> <p>(iv) <b>Catechist Report – DP</b> All is going well in catechesis with a record number of reconciliation children. Twelve children doing the programme.</p> <p>(v) <b>Finance</b> No report – will be done later in the year.</p> <p>(i) <b>Calendar of Events and Social Activities – SY</b> Circulated</p> <p>(ii) <b>Social Media – MD</b> This is going along well. There were a lot of hits over Christmas and about New Years day.</p> <p>(iii) <b>CTA&amp;F – HB</b> The next meeting to be held at Sacred Heart on 17 January. Debbie Lewis is going to attend meetings with HB. Walk of Witness is being lead by Sacred Heart and there is a meeting on 21 February. We will need volunteers. Lent session to be held at Scared Heart on 10 March at 6.00 pm</p> <p>(iv) <b>Just One House – DPP</b> This fundraising activities has brought the parish together. JA to present final report at the summer BBQ in July. Discussion on further fund raising activities. It would start in July 2020. Group asked to think of ideas that we could do. Important to have someone to take it on. Suggested we ask the groups and maybe put it in the newsletter. This to be done in August 2019 to start in August 2020. During 2019 we would continue doing small activities particularly for the St Francis Suite.</p> <p>(v) <b>PAC – PL</b> Last meeting 8 January. Avril Baignet talked to the group. There is a lack of volunteers to do the work of the group. What should the PAC be doing? Discussion on what they could do. More self-sustaining activities in the faith. Discussion on the need of a plan. How can</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Each person to think of ideas for what we could fund raising for</b></li> </ul>

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	the group be reformed or modified.	
7	<p><b>Next Meeting – 14 March</b></p> <p>SY apologies</p>	
8	<p><b>AOB</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Divine Renovation – MD</b> This is a programme for transforming a parish. Often included and ALPHA course which can help people return to the faith and get more involved. Two parishes in Bedford are running it at the moment and MD is going to see what they are doing. DPP attending the conference on 8 and 9 February and we can see what we do next. Hopefully build up a spiritual part of the parish</li> <li>• <b>Workshop for PPC</b> Idea that we might get Avril Baignet to run a workshop one Saturday for the PPC</li> <li>• <b>Involving Families</b> Still looking at ways to do this</li> <li>• <b>SPUC and Knights of St Columba – ED</b> ED talked about a prayer card that was available and saying the rosary. Decided to ED to get some to give out and we will add this to the rosary in October</li> <li>• <b>Little Uns – HB</b> The group is going to the Garden of Peace on 18 January</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>SY to discuss with DPP about workshop</b></li> <li>• <b>Group still to meet to do this</b></li> </ul>
9	<b>Meeting closed with a prayer and blessing by Fr. John</b>	