

St Teresa's Parish Pastoral Council
Minutes of Meeting held on Tuesday 13th September 2017

Present: Margaret Malone (Chair); Paul Carter; Fr John Mulligan; Margaret O'Donovan; Rob Mobile; Justin Datchler; Mary Cadd; Liz Continho; Lorraine Pinto; Theresa Goldband; Con Diver; Mary Mandryk; Jean Dolan (Minutes)

Apologies: Fred Mendonca; Adri Wells; Mary Lee; Dennis Yorke

<p>1. Welcome</p> <p>Opening Prayer</p>	<p>Margaret Malone welcomed the PPC members to the meeting.</p> <p>Mary Mandryk led the opening prayer.</p>	<p>Action:</p>
<p>2. Minutes of the previous meeting held on 20th June 2017</p>	<p>Agreed.</p>	
<p>3. Matters arising from these minutes (not on the agenda)</p>	<p>The PPC send their good wishes for the future to Clemence Kudiabor and his family on their relocation to New York. The PPC thank him for his contribution to the PPC and the Parish.</p> <p>The two Jesuit Deacons Swami and Sandeep thank the Parish for the gifts and financial contribution to their ordination costs. Swami was ordained in August and Sandeep will be ordained in December 2017. We keep them in our prayers.</p>	
<p>4. Pastoral and General Parish Life</p> <p>(a) Update on Parish IT and Music Support</p> <p>b) Sacramental Review</p>	<p>The Wi-Fi connection is a work in progress. BT have attended and replaced the line. The internal IT structure needs to be reviewed over the next 2 weeks.</p> <p>There is a young person within the Parish (an altar server) who has Grade 7 piano and the parish would consider providing and paying for organ lessons.</p> <p>First Communion Registration for parents for First Communion 2018 will be on Saturday 14th October 2017 at 9.30am. Letters will go out in St Teresa's School to primary school year 3 pupils.</p>	

<p>c) 80th Anniversary Celebrations</p>	<p>Confirmation The Confirmation programme begins in January 2017. There is a Catechist Formation event on Tuesday 3rd October 2017 7.30pm at Sacred Heart Church in Wimbledon with Rob Mobile and Pat Ryan.</p> <p>RCIA The first RCIA group meeting was on Monday 11/09/2017 at 7.30pm. The initial meeting was an introductory welcome meeting led by Father John Mulligan. There were 3 RCIA members returning after being received into the Church last year. We have 3 catechumans attending and another parishioner has expressed information. There is a meeting on 26/09/2017 at 2.30pm at St Teresa's School for any parents who have not been baptised or have not celebrated their 1st Communion or Confirmation. (notice placed in parish newsletter and school newsletter)</p> <p>Prayer Groups Adoration at St Teresa's Church has continued on Tuesday evenings at 7.30pm and Friday Mornings at 9.15am during the summer. Prayer Groups will be resuming from September.</p> <p>Baptisms Baptisms continue every week. Baptisms are not being arranged for 1st October 2017.</p> <p>85 people have signed up for the Choir. The music folders have been collated. The Choir meet on 16th September 2017 for a workshop and on the 21st, 28th and 30th September for rehearsals led by Stuart MacKintosh.</p> <p>Maria Roman has prepared large year signs for 80 children to carry to the sanctuary on the day. Parishioners have been asked to provide old photographs from the last 80 years of St Teresa's parish. There has been a great response and the photographs have been scanned to be displayed on the day.</p> <p>A commemorative booklet containing the readings and the hymns will be produced for the day.</p> <p>The Choir will be in the gallery in Church. After the 11am Mass there will be lunch for 500 people in St Teresa's School. Pupils from the School will be in uniform and provide a guard of honour to welcome guests to the lunch.</p>	<p>Fr John</p>
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<p>6. School Report</p> <p>7. Eucharistic Pilgrimage to Liverpool September 2018</p>	<p>St Teresa’s Community Project Report (April-July 2017) has been provided to the PPC. (document attached) In future agendas and in the PPC minutes the Youth Report will be renamed ‘the Community Project Report’.</p> <p>Connect + is the New Intergenerational Project launch this year. The Lunch and Learn sessions for 8 parishioners aged between 60-84 participating in a 2 week IT course was very successful. Lunches were provided by the school caterers and 6 students from Year 6 supported the course.</p> <p>The Community Project and the PPC would like to thank our 6 young volunteers who are moving on to university, starting new careers etc... Maddison Bebbington-Keattch; Hannah Plicio-Keattch; Zak McNulty; Daniel Gonsalves; James Prater; Kallum Finnegan and Tadgh Kirby. They have been involved in Community activities with St Teresa’s for the last 3 years. We thank them for their commitment and their inspiration to others.</p> <p>The process of applying for funds is ongoing. The smaller bids are more likely to be successful.</p> <p>A short video to be will be provided to show with the CHEC presentation to the parish. The project activities will be displayed on the school website and the church notice board.</p> <p>The Merton Deanery Annual newsletter for Education Sunday is attached. A leaflet has been produced –living out values in school. St Teresa’s school will provide commemorative wristbands for the children to celebrate the 80th Anniversary of the parish. They are blue with the starfish emblem on them. There is a greenhouse and 5 allotment spaces adjacent to the school. They are still being prepared and will be offered to parents very soon for rent.</p> <p>Deferred to the next PPC meeting to allow time for full Discussion.</p>	
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8. Parish Questionnaire	<p>The new annual parish questionnaire is to be produced for January/ February 2018.</p> <p>Previous Questions – What do we do well? What can we do better? What’s missing?</p> <p>The parish also continues to collect data and update parish census and skills survey.</p> <p>To consider a separate youth questionnaire /skills survey Deferred to next PPC meeting to discuss fully</p>	<p>Rob Mobile Teresa Goldband Fred Mendonca</p>
9. Confidential Items	None.	
10. AOB	<p>Siobhan McDonagh – MP for Mitcham and Merton will talk at all Masses about the proposed loss of services to St Helier Hospital.</p> <p>As Clemence has relocated there is vacancy for PPC Chair.</p> <p>On 17th/18th October 2017 at St Mary’s University there is a London Conference on Mission – Developing Parish Led by James Mallin. One person from each parish group should attend.</p>	
Closing Prayer	The closing prayer was led by Liz Contintinho	
Next PPC Meetings	<p>25th October 2017 (Chair: Paul Carter) Opening Prayer – Rob Mobile Closing Prayer – Lorraine Pinto 29th November 2017</p>	
Matters for next Agenda	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Parish IT update 2. Eucharistic Pilgrimage and Congress Liverpool 2018 3. Parish Questionnaire 4. New PPC Chair 	