

St Teresa's Parish Pastoral Council
Minutes of Meeting held on Thursday 30th November 2017

Present: Margaret Malone (Chair); Fr John Mulligan; Margaret O'Donovan; Fred Mendonca; Justin Datchler; Con Diver; Adri Wells; Liz Coutinho; Mary Cadd; Mary Lee; Mary Mandryk; Denis Yorke; Marian Akuamoah; Mary Gell; Jean Dolan
 (Minutes)

Apologies: Paul Carter; Theresa Goldband; Brendan Gilbert; Rob Mobile; Bernadette Mulhern; Lorraine Pinto

1. Opening Prayer	The meeting was opened with a prayer led by Denis Yorke	Action:
2. Welcome to new members	Welcome to Mary Gell attending meeting	
3. Minutes of the previous meeting on 25th October 2017	AMEND – 4(a) Pat Doherty	
4. Matters arising from previous minutes (not on the agenda)	None	
5. Pastoral and General Parish Life		
(a) Sacramental Review		
First Communion	The programme is up and running, the first session was on 14 th October 2017 with 75 children attending. It has been well attended and parents involved in the 12 sessions. Agnelo Gonsalves has made an outstanding contribution to the team.	
Confirmation	Begins in Spring Term 25-30 attendees are expected. Confirmation in June 2018.	
RCIA	The Rite of Welcome is at the 11am Mass on 10 th December 2017 with 5 adults and 1 child preparing for the Easter sacraments.	
Prayer Groups	All proceeding well and continue on a weekly or monthly basis. 10 – 15 people attend Adoration on Tuesday evenings.	
Baptisms	Baptisms are dropping nationally. Baptisms continue every month with about 50 carried out per year.	

Altar Servers	There are 12 new Altar Servers. 50 in all serving at St Teresas. There have been 5 training sessions.	
(b) CHEC Report Update	There will be a CHEC report in the new year.	
(c) Update on Parish IT and Music Support	It would be helpful to have a back up to set up the projectors at the Sunday Masses. An organist is required for the Midnight Mass on 24/12/2017. A meeting will be arranged for the musicians for the Christmas Masses.	
(d) Advent, Christmas and New Year services	24 th December 2017 (Sunday) – Masses at 9am, 11am, 6.30 pm Vigil Mass and 12 Midnight Mass. Christmas Day (Monday) Masses at 9am and 11am. New Year Community Mass at 12 noon followed by a shared lunch.	
Breakfast in Bethlehem	Breakfast in Bethlehem – 23 rd Sunday 2017 (tbc)	
Folk Choir to sing at St Helier Hospital	The Folk Group will be singing Carols in St Helier Hospital on Thursday 14 th December meeting in the foyer at 6.45 to start at 7pm.	
(e) Parish Questionnaire	The Parish Questionnaire (doc attached) has been generated and will be distributed to the parish in January 2018.	

<p>6. Community Project Report</p>	<p>PPC have been asked to consider a decision on whether the Community Project can be continued to be financially supported in its current format. A Community Project proposal document and current financial report provide by Rob Mobile is attached. 3 options are proposed:</p> <p>i) to bring the Project to Natural End at the end of March 2018.</p> <p>ii) to continue to underwrite project to July 2018, and if full funding not secured to bring the project to a natural end in the summer.</p> <p>iii) to continue to underwrite project to July 2018 and seek to make the project self-financing with the support of St Teresa's School, Church, Membership Campaign and eternal community support through regular giving and fundraising.</p> <p>PPC to consider options. Rob Mobile to confirm status of contracts for employed staff. Also to clarify his commitment/role in the future.</p> <p>Pre-meeting regarding Community Project way forward before the next PPC meeting on 24/01/2018.</p> <p>Finance report attached. Melanie is pursuing Bids. £10,000 available from Churchill Project. £150,000 raised will increase the chance of ongoing Bids.</p>	<p>Lorraine Pinto and Rob Mobile</p> <p>PPC Members</p>
<p>7. Parish Finance Report</p>	<p>Adri Wells presented the Parish Finance Report (doc attached)</p>	

<p>8. School Report</p>	<p>The Autumn report from the Education Commission stated the School's success. Thanks to Mary Mandryk for the Mothers Prayer sessions. The numbers attending has increased and the timing at 8.30am is popular.</p> <p>Y4 Advent Service to be held in the school themes of: stay awake, be ready and be the gift Christmas Fair and 'market' to be held on 15th December 2017.</p>	
<p>9. Eucharistic Pilgrimage in Liverpool 2018</p>	<p>60 Parishes in Southwark are involved Meeting held on 7th November 2017 – 12 parishes attended. 9th December 2017 meeting in Roehampton at the Kairos Centre on the theology of the Eucharist facilitated by Bridie Stringer.</p> <p>Appointed delegates are Fred and AnneMarie Mendonca, Justin Dachtler and Tom Gateley from Tooting Bec. There will be a meeting for all 8 parishes in the Deanery in February. More sessions in the area will follow.</p>	<p>All PPC Members</p>
<p>10. Confidential Item</p>	<p>One</p>	
<p>11. AOB</p>	<p>An apology was received from SGN/Forefront that due to essential gas works there was no heating in the Church on the weekend of the 18th/19th November 2017 A cheque for £30 for the inconvenience will be donated to the Church on behalf of the company,</p>	
<p>12. Closing Prayer</p>	<p>The closing prayer was led by Mary Mandryk</p>	
<p>Next PPC Meeting</p>	<p>Wednesday 24th January 2018 at 7.30pm Chair (Paul Carter) Opening Prayer – Adri Wells Closing Prayer – Lix Continho</p>	

