

ST GERARDS PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

Sunday 12 December 2010



ATTENDING: Fr Cassidy, Fr Mac Laughlin, Adrian Doherty, John McPoland, William McGovern, Laureen McFaul, Grainne Curran and Julianne McNamee.

APOLOGIES: Mildred Weiniger, Brendan Mc Ginn

1. REFLECTION

This was lead by Fr Cassidy and Julianne McNamee.

Grainne Curran and Fr McLaughlin agreed to lead reflection at next PPC meeting.

2. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

Two changes were agreed to the minutes of the last meeting.

- a. All new members welcomed by Adrian Doherty on behalf of the council.
- b. Carmel Donnelly to be changed to Caitlin Donnelly.

3. INDUCTION WEEKEND

Feedback on this weekend was that it was useful, encouraging and constructive.

Thanks was expressed to Mrs Breige O'Hare for her efforts in facilitating the weekend.

4. PARISH COMMITTEES

Discussion was held into how the council should view their role and how best the council could assess and facilitate the needs of the parish.

It was agreed that a positive way of encouraging and renewing the commitment of existing groups would be to hold a Mass of Renewal incorporating all the active groups in the parish. Date to be arranged.

A sub-committee was set up to help arrange this [John, Fr McLaughlin, Grainne, William, and Laureen]. Grainne agreed to draught a letter before the next meeting that could be sent to all parish groups.

5. BUSINESS OF MEETING

It was agreed that the PPC meetings would be;

- a. Held on second Sunday of each month.
- b. Meetings to begin at 8.15 sharp and aim to finish at 9.30pm, but if circumstances dictates the session may run on for up to 30 minutes to 10pm.
- c. All meetings to be chaired with a view to completing agenda within timeframe.
- d. Meetings to begin with a reflection of up to 20mins.
- e. Break for tea/coffee at about 8.45pm.

6. YOUTH MINISTRY

Children's liturgy is hoping to start new members by Feb. 2011 - Child protection courses to be arranged for new members.

7. E-MAGAZINE

John has this ready and will have it posted on the web site by Tuesday 14th December. Both priests have agreed to announce this at the masses next Sunday and to arrange for it to be mentioned in the parish bulletin.

8 WEB-SITES

No suggestions for change.

9. CALENDAR

This being printed at present and Fr Cassidy is to organise distribution.

10. 3rd WORLD GROUP

Laureen McFaul agreed to be a link with the 3rd group and the PPC.

11. AOB

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: SUNDAY 9th JANUARY 2011 AT 8.15PM IN THE ROOM ABOVE THE SACRISTY.