



## **St Gerard's Parish Council Meeting**

**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> April 2011**

**Attending:** A. Doherty, B. McGinn, Fr P McLaughlin, G Murray, P McBride, C Robb, Fr G Cassidy, W McGowan, J McPoland, J McNamee, and Laureen McFaul.

**Apologies:** M Weiniger, M Higgins, G Curran.

**Reflection:** This was led by Gregg and Fr Cassidy.

### **3rd World Group**

Eddie McVeigh joined the meeting to update the PPC on the ongoing work of the parish 3<sup>rd</sup> world group.

The group meets approximately 3 times a year in addition to a monthly Fair Trade Stall after Sunday masses and an annual church door collection and table quiz.

The main focus of the group's fundraising is the Badjao Tribe in the Philippines under the care of Sr Evelyn.

The PPC thanked E Mc Veigh and wished to express their ongoing support to the group.

### **Offices**

In line with the constitution of the PPC, Adrian explained that his term as chairman was almost over. This necessitates the appointment of a deputy chair and deputy secretary. Julianne agreed to stand for deputy secretary but there were no suggestions for deputy chairperson. It was agreed to discuss this again at the next meeting.

### **Strategic Plan**

This plan was constructed as a goal to help the PPC focus their efforts over the last number of years. It was agreed that everyone would look at this on the website before the next meeting.

## **AOB**

Annual report of the PPC is due to be approved and read at masses in May. All members were encouraged to contribute anything, either positive or negative that affected the PPC over the last year.

- John Mc Poland – Youth
- Patricia McBride – Liturgy
- Colette Robb – Family

There was a suggestion that there may be scope for doing more for/with the parish youth. This could possibly involve the creation of a youth PPC and allow more interaction with the youth of neighbouring parishes.

SVdeP to be invited to attend next meeting

The meeting was closed with a prayer.

## **Next meeting**

8<sup>th</sup> May 2011 at 8:15 in the room above the Sacristy