

MINUTES OF MEETING

Meeting Reference **PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL**

Held at **St Gerard's room above the Sacristy**

On **19 April 2009**



Persons attending Fr G Cassidy (e) Fr P McLaughlin (e) Gerry Coghlan (e) Adrian Doherty (e) Paula Donaghy	Paul Linden (e) Olivia Marley (e) Patricia McBride (e) John McCann (e) Pat McCausland (e) Laureen Mc Fall (e)	Ita McVeigh (e) Rose Mary Murray Laura Teer (e) Mildred Weiniger
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Apologies Fr B Mulhall (e)	Damien Fox (e)	
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1.0 Prayer		
	Fr Pat, Paula & Adrian said the prayer.	
	Fr Gerry, Olivia & Gerry to say the prayer at the next meeting.	Fr Gerry, Olivia, Gerry
2.0 Minutes of previous meeting		
2.1	There were no comments on the previous minutes.	
3.0 Drugs and Alcohol Booklet		
	A display has been put up in the Church. Paul will continue to make enquiries about the pilot programme which is being extended to parishes in NI.	Paul
4.0 Parish Website		
4.1	The parish website is now up and running at stgerardsparish.com. It is being hosted and updated by the Redemptorist website. PPC members are asked to review the site for the next meeting and make recommendations. Fr Gerry and Fr Pat will review the possibilities of a Web camera for masses.	ALL
5.0 Liturgy of the Word		
5.1	Eamon & Nuala have advised that they wish to stand down from organising the readers. A letter will be issued to all the current readers to ask if anyone would be willing to take over. Gerry will draft a letter of thanks on behalf of the PPC.	Fr Gerry Gerry
6.0 AGM		
6.1	The AGM will take place at the next meeting on 10 May 2009. A number of people are due to step down (review the constitution). Paul will draft the PPC annual report for review at the AGM. The PPC Report will presented at masses on Sunday 24 May 2009.	Paul

The parish meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 2 June 2009 at 7.30pm in the parish centre. Consideration should be given as to distributing the report to all the parishioners rather than just having it available at the Sunday masses.

Olivia and Gerry advised that they are due to step down and Paul advised that he is due to step down as Chairperson.

7.0 Any Other Business

7.1 Ita requested that a date for the 3rd World Group's Church Door collection. Ita to contact Kathleen to confirm a date that doesn't clash with other collections.

Ita

7.2 Feed back on **Easter ceremonies** : The 7.30 morning mass was much appreciated by those who attended. The Stations of the Cross was very good and generally the attendance over Easter week was very good.

7.3 The PPC annual retreat was not held last year. Fr Gerry will check with Drumalis for possible dates for this year. This is to be discussed at the next meeting.

Fr Gerry

7.4 Progress is being made on re-starting the Children's Liturgy and an information meeting has taken place. Fr Gerry is researching the 1st Holy Communion programme.

7.5 The GIFT event had to be cancelled as not enough children turned up. This was very disappointing and was most likely caused by the schools not having reopened from the Easter holidays.

8.0 Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled to take place on Sunday 10 May 2009 at 8.15 in the room above the sacristy.