

SACRED HEART, NORTH GOSFORTH

MEETING OF PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL - Minutes 5th March 2017

Present: Fr Jim Dunne, Jo Shepherd, Monica Jackson, Flo Nilsson, Ged Downey, John Hawthorne, Cristina Nardini, Adelaide Emmerson

1. Opening Prayer

2. Apologies for absence

Ewa Posner, Sheila Cunningham, Marie Miller, Susan Stoddart

3. Minutes of meeting 8th Jan 2017

True record – approved.

4. Matters arising not covered elsewhere on agenda

Covered in other items.

5. GIFT

Book "*Finding God in Each Moment: The Practice of Discernment in Everyday Life*"

Until July, the group is going through the chapters in this book. Each chapter has several sessions, which has deep reflections. Plans for 2 quiet days (29 April and 3 June) in the Hall. There are a number of printed flyers/posters available.

6. Youth Update

FLAME Rally is next weekend.

Award programme misses the younger and 6th formers; we should aim at 6-16 age group. Could look into embedding current Award into the younger age group.

7. Diocesan Survey

The parish work will now focus on "Planning for the Partnership". Churches within the partnership will start to have social events open to all. The first shared event is in Cramlington (17th March), the second is set at our parish on Friday 31st March; we will start with mass at 7.00pm and a few refreshments in the Hall afterwards.

8. Council of Laity

The next meeting has been postponed. Further update at the next meeting.

9. Future Events

AP will continue to make the necessary arrangements for Easter Sunday.

FN suggests an Autumn Harvest Festival for the parish; a mix of fresh produce and tin goods which will be donated afterwards.

Fr Jim - proposed June Barbecue to celebrate the Feast of the Sacred Heart on Friday 23 June. List for the board asking:

- (a) How much interest would there be for it?
- (b) Would any individual or group like to look after the organisation of it?
- (c) Should we use caterers or bring our own food & cook it here?

10. Any other relevant business

Mother's Day – Sunday 26th March

- a. Liturgy children to give out daffodils at the end of mass (AE to organize).

11. Date of next meeting Sunday 7th May at 11.00a.m.