

**STM PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Minutes 26 June 2019**

**Meeting opened:** 7:26pm  
**PPC Members:** Mariel Adams, David Broom\*, Marysa Coulter, Neil Dawson (Chair),  
Tim Hackwell.  
**Secretary:** Sue Morris

1. **Opening prayer:** Neil Dawson.

2. **Apologies for absence**  
Kevin Burnham, Father Darryl, Rosemary Farrow.

3. **Matters arising from previous meetings**  
The minutes of the previous meeting held 15.05.19 were circulated prior to the meeting.

It was noted that item 4 of the last minutes (Update on financial picture in the Parish) contained a mistake and that instead of stating "It was reported that this would be in the region of £60 per month and it was understood that Steve Ferris **has only committed STM to pay for this for one year.**" It should have stated "It was reported that this would be in the region of £60 per month and it was understood that Steve Ferris **thought that he was only committing STM to pay for this for one year**".

Matters arising not covered under separate agenda items were:-

- **Parish health and safety representative**  
There was an ongoing action from the July 2018 meeting for members to think who could be asked to take on the role of Parish health and safety representative.  
**Ongoing action: Neil Dawson** to ask Steve Ferris to approach the suggested person to see if they would be willing to take on the role.
- **Website**  
**Ongoing action: David Broom** to see if the PPC minutes on the website can be re-organised so that the newest minutes are at the top of the list.
- **Cleaners**  
The two actions from the previous meeting were still outstanding so a list of jobs was compiled at the meeting.  
**Action: Neil Dawson** to compose a notice for Father Darryl to read out at Masses.
- **Bible sessions**  
**Ongoing action: Neil Dawson** to contact Richard Martin to see if he would be available to hold bible sessions in the Parish.

4. **Parish**  
**"Inreach" bible study group**  
The next session will take place 28.06.19. However, the theme of the session was unknown. It was remarked that it would be useful if the subject was known beforehand so that some preparation could be undertaken. It was commented that recent sessions had been more in depth than had been originally envisaged. The original idea had been to enable participants to explain themselves and what they believe to non-Catholics.

**Youth involvement and activities**

Nothing to note.

**Action: Sue Morris** to take the item off the agenda of the next meeting.

**Update on financial picture in the Parish**

Steve Ferris had provided a financial update which was circulated at the meeting detailing the income and expenditure from September 2018 to the end of May 2019. The report was noted.

A question was raised about progress on the entrance doors. It was thought that the measurements have been made and that the doors were in production.

**Social activities**

**Social evening**

Marysa Coulter was thanked for her hard work in arranging the event to celebrate STM's 80<sup>th</sup>

anniversary. A profit of £327 was made. The handouts that were distributed at Masses prior to the event were thought to have had a beneficial effect on ticket sales although for the Harvest supper it was recommended that flyers were distributed for 3 weeks prior to the event and not 2 weeks.

#### **Harvest supper**

It was proposed that the event is held 12.10.19. The menu to be kept simple e.g. ploughman's supper, cheese and biscuits and apple pie/Dorset apple cake. An auction of products to take place. Tickets to be priced a £5 with children being free.

**Action: Marysa Coulter** to ask her contact if he would be willing and available to be the auctioneer.

**Action: Neil Dawson** to check that the date proposed is suitable for Father Darryl.

#### **Ordinariate**

Nothing to note.

#### **Mass times**

The PPC was asked to consider moving Christmas Eve Mass to 6.00pm from 6.30pm for sake of young children and their earlier bedtimes. Additionally, the PPC was asked to consider whether 6.00pm would be a better time for all evening Masses. After discussion it was agreed that the Christmas Eve Mass could be moved to 6.00pm but the PPC thought that 6.00pm was too early for working people to get to Mass on Holy Days of Obligation.

**Action: Neil Dawson** to let Father Darryl know the decision of the PPC.

#### **5. Diocesan**

Canon Paul is changing his role. John Chadwick will be the new co-ordinating pastor.

#### **6. Pastoral area**

Neil Dawson had circulated the minutes of the last EST meeting the day of the PPC meeting.

The EST is holding a day of reflection 12.10.19 to which all Parishioners are invited.

The next EST meeting is scheduled for 02.07.19.

John Chadwick will be the new co-ordinating pastor.

It was reported that Richard Martin is preparing for the next Alpha course starting in September and is looking for hosts and helpers.

The "Year of the Bible" will be starting in October. It was thought that this is a UK-wide initiative.

The EST has set up a sub-group whose special interest is "Youth".

The Holy Redeemer church at Highcliffe is celebrating its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary 26/27 July and is organising various events.

#### **7. Correspondence**

The Apostleship of the Sea has asked for a second collection at Masses 13/14 July.

#### **8. AOB**

The case of a Parishioner who had unsuccessfully applied for her daughter to join St Peter's School was discussed.

**9. Date of next meeting:** Wednesday 11 September 2019 at 7.15pm.

**10. Refreshments for next meeting:** Neil Dawson

**11. Closing prayer:** Neil Dawson.

Meeting ended at 8.37

\* *David Broom joined the meeting at 8.04pm at the start of item 6 (Pastoral Area)*