

Parish Pastoral Council

Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, 10 February 2021
7.00pm

Opening Prayer	
Present	Fr Gayan, Fr Thomas, Scott Buchan, Mary McGuinness, Jacqui Morley , Rhonda Jones, Bill Jansen, Laurence Peril
Apologies	Martin Crew, Melissa Beggs
Minutes of previous meeting	<i>Per email</i>
Business arising from previous minutes	<p>Business arising:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mary suggested that as the Parish paid for the sound system + TV monitors in St John of God, we need to ask for them back if they are demolishing the building. Action: <i>Fr Gayan will explore further. Appointment was made, but date clashed with Ash Wednesday. Waiting to set up another date</i> 2. Fundraising guidelines from Diocese: Scott been in touch and still no guidance about this. On-going investigation. (Needs to be transparent, stay in non-profit guidelines) Still no clear response from Diocese. 3. White elephant stall to be held June/July next year. Discussion of other ways we can generate greater income than the fete. Nolene organising. To be on 25/26/27 June – has been placed in Bulletin under Save the Date. 4. (Fundraising Committee to be set up next year – to brainstorm ideas) Other suggestion: Vegetable Stall. What about a Plant Stall? Need to ask for volunteers to coordinate and run the stalls. 5. Morning Tea after 9.30 Masses Fr Gayan would like to establish a regular morning tea for the 9:30 Sunday Mass on every fourth Sunday. He suggests that in order to spread the duties, that each ministry group assist with the hosting and coordinating of these teas. Further discussion and final details needed. Action: <i>Start sharing ideas and start planning by group leaders. Martin to speak to each ministry group.</i>

	<p>7.Hearing loop : Fr Tomas has arranged for our Sound System Technician to look at this in the next few weeks.</p> <p>Fr Thomas has contacted Brian at Sound System – Follow up. Decide next meeting if going ahead with ‘Sound System’ or put out to tender.</p>
<p>Agenda Items</p>	<p>Lenten Prayer Group program:</p> <p>An update on formation of groups and distribution of the program from Bunbury.</p> <p>Who are the groups?</p> <p>(1) Monday after 9.45 am; (Margaret & Frank) (2) Tuesday - 10 am (the Pastoral Care group) (3) Tony Fogarty’s House.</p> <p>Action: Rhonda Jones has volunteered to coordinate this: promote for new members of the parish; keep the groups connected and link anyone wishing to join with a group.</p> <p>Again, extend an invitation for people to join a group and/or form their own Lenten Prayer Group. The Parish will supply the program.</p>
	<p>Faith Conversations and Alpha:</p> <p>Identification of focus areas and creation of teams for design and implementation of these initiatives.</p> <p>Presenters to be knowledgeable about the topic.</p> <p>Action: <u>Alpha</u> -Jacqui to meet with Fr Gayan to map when & where weekly meetings will happen. Check in with Diocesan Pastoral Planning Office & Alpha organisation. Start planning. Promote to Parish</p> <p>Suggested areas for Pastoral Conversations about: Grief; Death & Dying; Dealing with mental health impact of CoVid; Aloneness, Prayer in everyday life; Deepening Catholic identity. Exploring the scriptures.</p> <p>What other areas might parishioners be interested in?</p> <p>Action: Report back next meeting on resources & presentations for pastoral conversations. Tap into the knowledge and wisdom of people in the Parish.</p>
	<p>Parish of Richmond Feast Day celebration (27th August ?) St Monica & St Gregory & St John of God</p> <p>For our Feast Day Mass do we have a parish prayer? How do we maximise the home – school – parish partnership? What suggestions and ideas do we have?</p> <p>Suggestion : an opportunity to celebrate as a parish, and connect with each other. (Possibly a multi- cultural dinner?) Celebrate who we are, our gifts, our differences, our faith.</p>

	<p>Action: Further planning and setting structure at next meeting.</p>
	<p>Upcoming publication of the whole year Parish Events Calendar Review and suggestions for items to undertake in the second half of 2021</p> <p>Action: Come to next meeting with further details and updates for calendar.</p> <p>Discussion around having a 'live' calendar on the Parish website (to keep the calendar current) – need to clarify with Diocesan Office that our Parish office will be able to control this. (Fr Gayan)</p> <p>Also correction of dates is required for Refresher Training for readers, extraordinary ministers and senior servers. It should be 15th and 16th May.</p>
	<p>Al-Anon Family Group Proposal – see attached letter.</p> <p>The Council agreed to the request from Sr Pia Galea to use the Old Church as a meeting room for the <i>Al-Anon Family Group</i> weekly meetings.</p>
Next meetings:	Wednesday 17th March 2021 (Apologies - Bill & Mary)
Closing prayer	Fr Gayan