

THE GLOSSOP PARISHES PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES

Wednesday 28th September 2022

Opening Prayer and Welcome- Ann King

Apologies- Anne Fielding, Sandra Mellor-Fallon, E Hall

Present- A King, J Cieslik, B Payne, C Hulley, F Martin arrived shortly after the meeting had started.

1. Amendments- none

2. Matters arising-

a) Labels to explain the plans for Phase two at St Mary's

church is now on the plans.

b) The weekly comment cards are being used at the Sycamore course.

c) A question from the council- Will the Welcome Pack be ready for the Bureau event?

d) CH to research the possibility of a parish Twitter account.

3. Pastoral theme- Bringing people together.

What we already have in place-

- Helping hands, gardening groups and walking groups
- Mission, sacramental services
- We liaise with other churches.
- Coffee after Holy Mass, CAFOD soup kitchen,
- Prayer group, links with schools,
- Care for the Common Home course and Sycamore course
- Gardening groups and walking groups
- Cleaning and Flower arranging groups.
- Choirs and other events organised by the Steering group.

Where there are gaps-

- More family events.
- Encouraging families to bring the gifts forward at the Offertory.
- Sick and housebound and Residential home visits

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- Contact list for people on the newsletter, so that people can inform us that they cannot get to Mass and need transport, or they would like a minister to take Holy Communion.
- BP to research prices of Christmas cards.
- World Day of Prayer

4. Update from the St Mary's Outreach Steering Group including offers from the Glossop Volunteer Bureau-

a) BP has the key and information in order to access the Bureau. First session 8th October 11am -2pm. Posters and extra newsletters will need to be organised. We would like all events putting in the diary section of the newsletter.

b) JC reported that there around eleven tickets sold for the Slate painting session for Saturday 15th October.

c) We have permission to show the film-Outside the city wall. Refreshments would be available.

d) Bedding will be packed at St Mary's Church ready for families in need.

5. Update from Payback team-

JC continues to chase the team; the previous supervisor has now left. But our bid for help with the gardening is still a project in hand. JC to gather a group of volunteers to tidy some of the areas around the church.

6. Heritage Open Days-

An advertisement for the Heritage Open Day at All Saints church has been organised for the Glossop Chronicle, Facebook, and the newsletter. A Wright will be at All Saint church between 12 and 2pm, he has offered to speak with people as they arrive so that they have an opportunity to ask any questions.

7. Buildings and Maintenance-

a) Tenders are out for the Phase two work at St Mary's Church

b) There has been some rewiring at All Saints Church

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c) The front door at AS church has been varnished and some maintenance work on it has been completed.

d) The heating at All Saints Church has been fixed.

e) BP to ask the electrician about a switch for the bell at St Mary's church as it is not working.

8. Finance- LD and Emily have once again had a meeting to discuss internal transfers. The Annual Return needs to be finished by the end of the week. As we need to have a clear understanding of our financial position.

9. Calendar costing- JC researched the cost of the production of calendar of images of both churches we agree was too costly.

10. Membership of PPC- JC proposed that we extend our membership which we all agreed, JC gave a name of a young person who is very keen to be more involved with the churches. She has been recently confirmed and contact numbers are to be exchanged so that Esme can make contact and answer any questions this young person may have (EB)

11. Items from the chairperson-

a) Fr Martin distributed the postcards for Vocations.

b) It has been acknowledged by the diocese that there will be a new Dean for our deanery.

12. Correspondence-none

AOB

1. Some parishioners have expressed how cold it is in church, at the discretion of the stewards a wedge may be put in place on the inner door.
2. Key holders were discussed.
3. CH suggested a one hundred club or something similar for St Mary's.
4. JC suggested a trip to a Shakespeare play, dates to be put into the newsletter.
5. A parish trip to Rome was also suggested.

Fr Martin closed the meeting with a prayer

Date of next meeting- 26th October 2022

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