

THE GLOSSOP PARISHES PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday 28th February 2023

Minutes

Present: Fr Martin, L Doyle, C Hulley, B Payne, A King

Apologies: n/a

Opening Prayers- Fr Martin

Reading: L Doyle

1. Amendments

completed

2. Matters arising

The United Utilities have rearranged the date for the water tankers to 27th February 2023. Photos were taken before their arrival, but may need taking again to make sure the grounds are left as they found them.

3. Pastoral theme- Ecumenical

The Glossop Catholic Parishes have worked on several projects which has included people from other faith backgrounds. For example: Laudato Si, Sycamore course, Lenten talks, Talks in the parish hall-PACT, Ministers Fellowship meetings, Walking group, Churches Together- Carols in the Square, Christmas cards distributed around the community, Glossop Furniture Project, Bureau open every second Saturday for tea and coffee, Holocaust Memorial Day in the square, Remembrance Sunday and the proclamation of King Charles in the square-Father Martin, Litter picking, Easter Vigil readers from All Saints Parish Church and Street pastors these are some of the events and projects that the Glossop Catholic Parishes have been involved with in their local community.

What other ideas or opportunities can we be involved in or lead in?

- Sharing of musical talents
- Churches Together website
- Churches Together to meet and discuss plans and ideas together. Fr Martin will mention this at the next meeting of the Ministers Fellowship
- Picnic in the Park
- Joint choirs

4. Update from the Divine Renovation team.

Our team meet weekly for at least one hour and thirty minutes after Mass on Monday. Every other week J Hopkins joins us from the diocese, he has been invited by the team to support and guide us on our journey through Divine Renovation.

At the last meeting we watched part of video from Divine Renovation hosted by Fr James Mallon. The main theme was offering some guidance for the DR team. One of the main messages was that transition takes time and effort by everyone. The video

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also gave us some inspiration for our vision, can we picture our future? what is our dream for our parishes?

5. Buildings and Maintenance

B Payne discussed our concerns at the buildings and maintenance meeting with regards to the problem of dog fouling in St Mary Crowned Church grounds. It was decided to have stronger worded message on a sign. BP to contact the Dog warden. CCTV was suggested but the cost and monitoring was thought not to be sustainable. The alarms for the Parish Hall have been fitted. The Parish Hall continues to provide a place for community meetings, activities and parties. Our thanks and appreciation go to C Hulley for opening up the hall, organising bookings and checking once the hall is closed.

6. Finance

LD has once again been in touch with the accountant at Peak Business Solutions and they do not want to continue their services. That means we have no one who is undertaking our book keeping. The members are very disappointed with their services, LD has volunteered to collect all the paperwork from their offices. An article will be put in the newsletter to appeal for someone who may be able to help with the book-keeping. George McCabe has for many years taken on the role to collect donations for the heating of All Saints Church. Recently the box was emptied and a further £300 has been donated for the heating of the church. The members of the PPC would like to thank George for his support.

7. Update from the Events co-ordinator

A Flower Arranging Workshop has been organised with Sandra's Flower Shop. It is arranged for Thursday 9th March at 2pm in St Mary Crowned Church. There will be a sign up sheet at the back of both churches for those people interested.

8. Items from the chairperson

The draft for the new nomination form for the Parish Pastoral Council was distributed. Dates to be organised for the training of new members by Fr Martin. Present members to encourage new members for the PPC.

The new census form was also distributed, the last census was completed in 2005. This was discussed and agreed by members, they will be distributed after Mass. These should be sent back in an envelope marked 'Census' so that the information is kept private. There will be a box at the back of church to receive the returns. LD has volunteered to enter the data.

9. Correspondence

B McMylor is relaunching the monthly draw, it is now the 'Thrifty Fifty Draw'.

Paper minutes to be available at the back of both churches.

AOB none Fr Martin closed the meeting with a prayer. Next meeting 30/3/23

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