Our Lady and All Saints Parbold

Minutes of the Parish Pastoral Advisory Group

held in the Church Meeting Room

1900 Monday 10 October 2016

Present:

Priest in Residence Apologies from Father Cassian

Chairman Stephen Marston

Vice Chair Apologies from Ged Tromp

Clergy Retired Deacon David Bennett

Altar Servers Stephen Marston

APF Joan Trevelyan

CAFOD Retired Deacon David Bennett

Catechists Sue Mellor

Children's Liturgy Apologies from Sue McCluskey

Child Protection Helen Jones

Coffee Group Apologies from Pauline Barnes

Extraordinary Ministers No Representative Present

Finance Anthony Hitchen

Flowers Apologies Angela Roberts

Health, Safety and Grounds Anthony Hitchen

Music Sue Mellor

Nugent Mary Beatham

Prayer and Reflection Groups Apologies from Janet Decamp

Primary School Apologies from Catherine Bennett

PTFA No Representative Present

Readers Maise McNeil

Rosary Celia Charnock

Social Group Joan Trevelyan

Stewards Apologies from Pauline Barnes

SVP Sue Mellor

200 Club Stephen Marston

1. Welcome from the Chair

Stephen Marston welcomed all present to the Meeting.

2.Opening Prayer by the Parish Priest

Deacon David Bennett opened the Meeting with a Prayer.

3 Roll Call

Apologies were received from Father Gordon (Parish Priest), Father Cassian Dickie (Priest in Residence), Angela Roberts (Flowers), Pauline Barnes (Coffee Group and Stewards), Janet Decamp (Prayer and Reflection), Catherine Bennett (Primary School), Ged Tromp (Vice Chair)

4.Minutes from the Meeting held on 23 May 2016

The Minutes were inspected by the Group and found to be a true and accurate record, Proposed by David Bennett and seconded by Anthony Hitchen

5.Matters Arising

A) 5a - Parish Booklet

The Booklet is now complete and will be passed on to Father Gordon at Ampleforth.

Fr Gordon

6. Father Gordon's Absence

Light may be appearing at the end of the tunnel – pending a decision by Ampleforth.

7. AOB

The PPAG discussed the near future, especially Christmas, which we need to carry on preparations for.

Deacon David Bennett asked the Group to consider putting on a Christmas play, to celebrate The Epiphany, the Group agreed and it was decided to put a notice in the Parish Newsletter to determine the level of interest from Parishioners

D Bennett

Deacon David highlighted the lack of support for the recent Family Fast Day, where only one envelope was received.

Celia suggested that younger members of the Parish undertake Altar Serving and Reading at weekends.

Stephen felt that we should not make any major decisions in Father Gordon's absence and rather, that it could be something that could be suggested at a later date within our role as an Advisory Group.

Fr Gordon

Remembrance Sunday this year is at OLAS, the Scouts are organising their participation and Father Cassian is happy to go ahead with the service.

Celia advised the Group that there would be a Christingle/Craft afternoon in December, culminating at Mass at 1800 for Gaudete Sunday.

Mary Beatham told the Group about "Faith in Action", a new Programme that children can be involved in, with their Schools support.

ACTION

Sue Mellor advised the Group that the Catechetical Programme will start 14 November 2016, with a session each week.

Stephen told the Group that he would find out when the Advent Fayre was at School and ask for volunteers to assist .

S Marston

7.Date and Time of next meeting

6 February 2017 1900hrs

Stephen thanked everyone for attending and for their continued support. Deacon David Bennett concluded with a prayer.

Stephen Marston Chairperson Helen Jones Secretary