

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY ON 08 MAY 2017 AT ENGLISH MARTYRS CHURCH DANBURY

Attendees:

President: Father Niall Harrington Fr Niall

Chair: John Geary JG

Kathy Johnston KJ, Robin McGuinness RM, Steve Gallagher SG, Bernard Dayer BD, Pauline Spratt PS, Alison Huish AH, Sue Benjamin and Jenny Sismey JS

Father Niall opened the meeting with a prayer.

Apologies for absence

None.

Minutes of last meeting / matters arising

Alison advised that she was present at the April meeting.

Calendar and dates

All as previously agreed.

Next meeting is on Monday 05 June at 8pm in Holy Trinity Church, South Woodham Ferrers.

Vacancies to fill

The position of secretary is yet to be filled.

Live Simply Campaign

Condolences were offered for the repose of the soul of Patricia MacLachlan, our Live Simply Campaign representative who had passed away suddenly.

Fabric reports

JG to obtain a quote for the replacement of a corroded radiator.

It was agreed at the Fabric and Property meeting that the two vestries would be redecorated by committee members. This work would be undertaken in May.

Quotations have been invited from four companies for the replacement of the carpet in English Martyrs church in Danbury.

CAFOD

It was reported that food-bank donations from English Martyrs church would be delivered to the Holy Trinity church meeting room by Jackie Wright.

Methodist report

Last month I said we would have one minister and one probationer from September, but we are now down to one minister. The Methodist Connexional Team have decided to place the probationer in another circuit to finish her probationary period.

Rev. Sue's last service at Holy Trinity will be on Sun.9th July. Following this there will be a farewell lunch to which Father Niall and any member of the congregation who would like to join us will be very welcome.

Anglican report

Nothing to report.

Liturgy report

Nothing to report.

St Joseph's School report

Nothing to report.

Social Committee

Following the success of the quiz night it was agreed that JG would approach Jim Tidmarsh about a second event this year.

Treasurer's report

As you may recall, last month our overdraft had fallen to £14,200.

I'm glad to report that this trend continues and as at today our bank balance is now only £11,500.

The only other items of note since the last meeting are:

- The 2nd quarter's JCC cheque (£1,500) has been paid
- The 2016/17 accounts have been signed off and sent to Brentwood

100 Club

There are currently two numbers available.

Steward of the Gospel

Pauline reported that she had circulated copies of the completed questionnaires.

Any other business

None.

Father Niall closed the meeting with a prayer.