

**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY ON 05 JUNE 2017 AT
HOLY TRINITY CHURCH SOUTH WOODHAM FERRERS**

Attendees:

President: Father Niall Harrington Fr Niall
Chair: John Geary JG
Kathy Johnston KJ, Alison Huish AH and Jenny Sismey JS

Father Niall opened the meeting with a prayer.

Apologies for absence

Robin McGuinness RM, Steve Gallagher SG, Bernard Dayer BD, Pauline Spratt PS

Minutes of last meeting / matters arising

None.

Calendar and dates

Next meeting is to be advised.

Vacancies to fill

The position of secretary is yet to be filled.

Live Simply Campaign

Nothing to report

Fabric reports

JG to obtain a quote for the replacement of a corroded radiator in the Catholic / Methodist vestry.

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. *Post meeting note: now planned for July/August.*

Quotations for the replacement of the carpet in English Martyrs Church have been received from the four invited companies and these are being evaluated.

CAFOD

Nothing to report.

Methodist report

After last months report that we didn't have a minister for next year, I'm pleased to say that we now have one. His name is Rev. Barry Allen and he and his wife Maria (known as Ria) are coming from South Africa. They are hoping to visit the circuit on June 27th, before returning to South Africa to "pack up" and move into the manse in Maldon in the middle of August.

A reminder that Rev. Sue's leaving service at 11.15am with lunch after (at about 12.30pm) is on Sunday 9th July. Anyone who is able to come will be very welcome.

Anglican report

Sue Benjamin reported that she will be leaving on the 09 July. Her replacement is yet to be appointed. Members attended Rev Jane's leaving lunch. The annual BBQ would now be on the 22 July not the 10 June as previously advertised.

Liturgy report

Fr Niall reported that the first holy communion masses were half way through. Bishop Alan will be visiting the parish on Sunday 09 July for confirmation.

St Joseph's School report

The May procession of the children took place with both parents and parishoners being present. The potted plants will be placed in the garden. The Year 3 holy communion preparation was ongoing with mass in July. The date of the leaver's mass was yet to be advised. Similarly the dates of the Year 1 and the reception class were yet to be advised.

Social Committee

John Geary had spoken to Jim Tidmarsh concerning the possibility of another Quiz Night but Jim advised that he and Rosemary had decided to retire from the quiz night circuit as they had been running these events sine the early nineties.

A date was to be advised for the annual parish cheese and wine party.

Treasurer's report

On the Finance front, as you may recall, last month our overdraft had fallen to £11,500.

Since then we have paid Father's Easter contribution (£2,500), Sisters Mission (£1,100) and CAFOD (£840).

As a result, our bank balance has returned to £15,000 overdrawn.

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.