

ST GEORGE AND THE ENGLISH MARTYRS
MINUTES OF PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING
ON 2nd JUNE 2015

Present: Father Brett Adams, Frank McEvoy, Suzanne Halvey, Charlotte Alexander, Chris Wallen, Chris McPhillips, Paul Schofield, Graham Alcock, Annabelle Smith and Kelvin NCube.

Also present: Val McEvoy (Minutes Secretary)

Apologies were received from Bernard Chalk, Adrienne Davison and Jill Bryan.

Frank opened the meeting and welcomed Father Brett to the parish.
Father Brett opened the meeting with a prayer.

Approve minutes of the last PPC meeting held on 11th February 2015 2015

The minutes of the last meeting were agreed and approved.

Matters arising from Action list of 11th February 2015

- Graham reported that the sensor lights by the Sacristy door had been replaced
- Fr Brett to draft a letter to attach to a Welcome Pack for new parishioners and Frank said this could also be digitised so they could give their details on-line
- Fr Brett to look into the Befriending Group, as a group to support the Parish Priest in visiting the housebound. It was noted that Dianne Alexander had previously offered to help co-ordinate this and Fr Brett will speak with her
- Fr Graham had previously spoken to someone who was willing to run a 'refresher' training session for our parish readers. Sharon to be asked for the contact details
- Fr Brett confirmed that Baptisms will continue to be held at 12.30 after Sunday Mass

Receive update on Financial Report for Parish

Frank thanked Graham for his comprehensive updated report that had been circulated prior to the meeting and which gives a very clear picture of the present financial situation. This report was briefly discussed. Graham agreed that he will be presenting the parish financial situation to the parish by the end of June.

Other items raised by Father Brett

- Father Brett said he was delighted to be here in Shoeburyness and had received a great welcome from everyone
- He said his objective at the moment is to settle in and see how everything is operating in the parish and confirmed that the Bishop was very pleased with everything when he recently visited for Confirmation.
- Frank explained to Fr Brett that the PPC is a support mechanism in the parish to help and support him in whatever was necessary.

Other items raised by Annabelle Smith

- Annabelle confirmed that the Bishop visited the school on 20th May. He attended an assembly which was very successful.
- First Holy Communion took place in the parish on 9th and 16th May and she will be discussing the programme for next year with Fr Brett.
- The Memorial Mass held yesterday for Suki, one of the young parents at the school, was beautiful and thanked Fr Brett for a very moving service.
- Annabelle will be discussing school Masses and visits with Fr Brett and also the possibility of Y5 and Y6 children visiting Brentwood Cathedral.

Frank thanked Annabelle, as he feels that this vital link with the Headteacher, through the PPC, had helped to increase communications in the parish.

Any other business

- Suzanne reported that the Parish Summer Fayre will take place on Saturday 6th June at St. Gregory's, starting at 12 noon.

- Frank said that dates for social events had been pencilled in the parish diary but these will be checked with the school PTA and be published for the next PPC meeting.

Date and time of next meeting

The next meeting of the PPC is scheduled for Tuesday 14th July 2015 in the school at 7.30pm. in the school.

Frank thanked everyone for attending.

Action List

Fr Brett/Sharon	Letter and Welcome Pack for new parishioners	
Frank	Put letter and Welcome Pack on-line	
Fr Brett	Befriending Group – speak to Dianne Alexander	
Sharon	Contact details for Readers ‘refresher’ training	
Graham	Present financial situation to parish at all weekend Masses	
Annabelle	Discuss FHC programme for next year with Fr Brett	
Annabelle	Discuss school Masses and visits with Fr Brett	
Frank/Suzanne	Dates for parish social events – check with PTA	