**St Joseph’s Pastoral Council meeting – 1st October 2013**

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| **Table of attendees** | | | | | | | | |
| **Date of meeting** | **6/11/12** | **21/05/13** | **01/10/13** |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Fr Jim Duggan** | **P** | **P** | **P** |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Chris McLaughlin** | **P** | **P** | **P** |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Veronica Dowling** | **A** | **P** | **P** |  |  |  |  |  |
| **David Melvin** | **P** | **P** | **P** |  |  |  |  |  |
| **John Seenan** | **P** | **P** | **P** |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Liz Grant** | **P** | **P** | **A** |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Bridie LaCombre** |  | **P** | **P** |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Alison Macdonald** | **P** | **P** | **P** |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Paul Graham** | **P** | **A** | **P** |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Pat Hassett** | **P** | **P** | **P** |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Susie Cullen** | **P** | **A** | **A** |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Aisling Connelly** |  |  | **P** |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Angela Gow** |  |  | **A** |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Emma Merriman** |  |  | **A** |  |  |  |  |  |
| **P = present A = apologies** | | | | | | | | |

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|  | **Attendance and apologies/resignations** | **Actions** |
|  | Pat welcomed everyone to the meeting. Attendance/apologies as per page 1. |  |
|  | **Minutes of the last meeting** | **Actions** |
|  | Proposed: Pat Hasset  Seconded: Bridie McCombre |  |
|  | **Matters arising** | **Actions** |
|  | Most matters arising were covered within the agenda.  Prayers of the faithful: need to include those who are recently married and newly baptised.  **Action: Prayers for next week will include those baptisms and weddings that took place over the summer.**  Posters and books for toddlers are now in cry chapel and available for parents and children. | **AMacd** |
|  | **New members required update** | **Actions** |
|  | Angela Gow and Emma Merriman have volunteered for member ship of the pastoral council following the note placed in bulletin in June. Angela will support the Faith and spirituality sub-group while Emma will work with the Community group. Aisling Connelly has joined the Youth sub-group following an approach from group members because of her involvement in the Lasallien projects. Bridie has contacted St Aloysius and St Ninian’s regarding their Caritas programmes and the possibility of pupils being involved in Youth work within the parish as part of their volunteering. St Ninian’s have a group of 6th years willing to participate in church activities. St Aloysius said they would respond at the start of the new school year but have not as yet come back to Bridie. |  |
|  | **REPORTS FROM SUB-GROUPS** | **Actions** |
|  | **Faith and spirituality sub-group:**  Vocations mass in cathedral was well-attended.  Mass for Holy Souls: scheduled for morning mass on Sat Nov 2nd.  Pat will write a notice for the bulletin and organise a form for the back of the church for those attending. There is no need to organise readers and Eucharistic ministers as this is covered by with the normal Saturday rota.  **Action: Place notice in bulletin for bereavement mass**  Mass in celebration of marriage: scheduled for Fri 15th Nov.  **Action: Ali and Veronica to send papers to Pat regarding order of service**  Year of faith: no date yet for Bible Timeline to begin  Advent penitential service is scheduled for Mon 16th Dec.  In previous years an annual mass was held where anointing of the sick took place. There is an option for this to restart.  **Community sub-group:**  **200 club:** notices have been placed in bulletin to renew membership. Many SO mandates were set up for 12 months rather than in perpetuity which has created a considerable amount of extra work. New SO forms have been issued now which are continuous, with the option to terminate after 12 months. Some of the 50 members who had not paid have decided not to continue however new members have joined. The expected membership this year is approx 180. Last year the 200 club generated a profit of £6590. The council agreed this was a fantastic achievement on the part of Liz and John. John asked for a volunteer to take over the organising after this year. Chris volunteered to do this.  **Open day**  This is scheduled for Sunday 27th October after 10.00am and 12.00 Masses. Fr John has agreed to come along for a presentation after saying 12.00 mass. Catering has been organised, however although a mould for a cake has been purchased, someone is required to bake it.  An advert will be placed in bulletin announcing the event and asking parish groups who wish to take a table to contact John Seenan. Age Concern and Legion of Mary will attend, with the Wayside club taking part with the Legion. The Church Hall will be open on Sat afternoon from 2.30-5.00 for those who want to set up their stall beforehand. Envelopes are being printed for parishioners to make a donation towards a present for Fr John. This needs to be done through the auspices of the pastoral council to keep it separate from fund-raising for the parish itself. A notice will be drafted regarding the opportunity to donate by a member of the Parish council  **Action: John will draft advert for bulletin this weekend to encourage parish groups to attend open day**  **Action: Contact Liz if you know of a baker for the cake.**  **Action Pat to draft a note for the bulletin regarding donations for Fr John**    Other activities discussed by the community sub-group include:  the possibility of a lay ecumenical group to sit alongside the Clarkston Churches Together. Fr Jim has agreed to follow this up with other members of CCT.  John Seenan is investigating the option of St Joseph’s supporting Busby Church in a clean-up of Clarkston.  Using social media more effectively to communicate with the parish.  **Youth sub-group:**  St Joseph’s primary school is exploring the option of a junior Caritas programme so there is an opportunity for greater involvement of pupils in the church. Several have volunteered for altar serving. Michael Stringer is to organise a meeting for new altar servers and plan a new rota. Another option for involvement is for pupils to take the collection on a Sunday morning.  NET ministry young people have arrived in the parish and after return to Ireland next week to complete Visa paperwork, should be ready to start work later this month.  Youth music group – the Net team will encourage more YP in St Ninian’s to become involved in the Sunday evening youth mass. Joe McGill who organises the Youth music group has met with members of Net to discuss support for this. | **PH**  **AMacd/VD**  **JS**  **ALL**  **PH** |
|  | **Calendar of events** | **Actions** |
|  | **Annual events calendar:** Pat has circulated a first draft of this. Subgroups to populate the circulated draft.  **Action: Pat to recirculate draft calendar to group members**  **Action: Group to populate draft calendar** | **PH**  **ALL** |
|  | **Planning for events** | **Actions** |
|  | Events are planned until Christmas. The Faith and Spirituality group are to explore how they could support the children’s sacraments next year.  The group agreed that planning for events should take place within the sub-groups but with flexibility across groups to ensure organisation of all events is well-supported. |  |
|  | **Year of faith update** | **Actions** |
|  | Faith formation: an up-to-date version is awaited prior to a starting date being set.  NET ministry young people – see update under youth sub-group |  |
|  | **AoCB** | **Actions** |
|  | Chris volunteered to organise e-mail distribution for the newsletter by using software for parishioners to opt-in. This avoids holding e-mail addresses with consequent need for compliance with data handling regulations and allows parishioners to opt-out by unsubscribing. Fr Jim advised that the consent form should include permission to contact with other parish business.  **Action: Chris to follow up with Fr Jim regarding placing a link in the bulletin for subscribing to the bulletin by e-mail** | **CMcL** |
|  | **DoNM** | **Actions** |
|  | 13th May 2014 |  |
|  | **Closing prayer** | **Actions** |
|  | The group prayed for Tony McCabe, who died last weekend, noting his years of service to the church and to the scouts. |  |
|  | **Action table** |  |
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