

Sacred Heart PPC Meeting

8.00pm Thursday 6 February 2020 in the Parish Lounge

Approved Minutes

Present

Jayco Wamsteker, deputy chair
David Hurst, secretary
Edward de Quay
Siobhan Heffron
Clare Hobart
Clare Purtill

Sr Dorothy
Eleanor Bowman, youth minister
Kelly Hockey, adult faith formation
Chris Woodward, finance committee

Apologies

Canon John
Anne Waldron
Julian Burling
Sr Francis

1.0 MINUTES OF PPC MEETING 9 JANUARY

- minutes of the meeting on 9 January were approved after correction in Apologies

2.0 DISCOVERY PROGRAMME (KELLY)

- 2 x 6 week programmes, with 7 and 9 attending, are running on Wednesdays and Saturdays with positive feedback
- PPC taster session on Saturday 2 February, run by Adelita and James, was attended by Jayco, David, Julian and Edd
- they will report back to the 5 March PPC meeting to agree next steps

3.0 LENT TALKS (KELLY)

- Fr Peter Edmunds SJ, who gave the 2018 talks, lives in Boscombe, but status was unknown. Fr Peter lives in Boscombe and may not be available
- possible off-the-shelf Café Talks discussed and agreed as fall-back option; we have used these in the past with positive feedback
- David to book evenings in the upper hall on Tuesdays 3, 10, 17, 24 and 31 March
- when talks confirmed, Kelly to advertise in weekly newsletters from 16 February
- future Lent Talks to be planned from October for the following year

4.0 MERTON NIGHT SHELTER 15 MARCH – 26 APRIL (DAVID)

- £100 due to Faith in Action
- possibly borrowing 20 inflatable mattresses from Parkside Synagogue
- 49 volunteers as at 19 February

- 27 have so far attended compulsory training by Faith in Action at the YMCA
- training sessions for new volunteers 26 February, 1 March and TBC
- meeting 7.00pm Thursday 27 February at Salvation Army, 496 Kingston Road for seven new venue co-ordinators: Clare and James to attend
- safeguarding means all must complete registration forms with two referees
- overnight volunteers must have Enhanced DBS
- volunteers meeting for shift allocation 1 March

5.0 ENVIRONMENT GROUP REPORT (EDD)

- new parish web site page for the Environment Group
www.sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk/Groups/325199/Environment_Group.aspx
- “Creation Mass” parish grounds planned in September as anniversary of Laudato Si’
- “Prayer Tree” now in St Joseph’s Chapel
- possible environmental audit to be confirmed; audit toolkit is available
- “Our Common Home” environment group sign on church lobby notice board
- two apple trees have been planted in the church grounds on Sunday 2 February
- local landscaper, Ed Belderbos, has prepared draft landscape design for grounds; parish consultation on plans Sun 1 March
- air pollution audit proposed for Sacred Heart Primary school
- Tesco site planning decision due Thursday 13 February – NOT APPROVED
- Jesuits in Britain are part of shareholders’ resolution to Barclays Bank on fossil fuels funding

6.0 FIRST MILE WASTE MANAGEMENT (EDD)

- currently 60% to re-cycling; 40% to waste; target is 100% to re-cycle
- site signage to correctly separate waste is clear
- approximately the same cost but better service than previously
- waste management audit to be confirmed
- contact parish caretaker (George) if recycling is not being done properly

7.0 PPC ELECTIONS (JAYCO)

- 1/3 of PPC members should change in April 2020
- 3 PPC members have decided to stand down
- advance advertisements for new members in newsletters and March Edgeways
- some names were suggested in confidence
- members were invited to suggest suitable candidates

8.0 LONELY PARISHIONERS (CLARE)

- a parishioner has asked for the PPC to consider ways to find and make contact with lonely parishioners, as has been done in the past
- suggestions to be discussed at the next meeting
- enquiries from parishioners to be a Standing Item at future PPC meetings

9.0 NEW STANDS FOR VOTIVE CANDLES (SR DOROTHY)

- current income was 17p per candle as not all parishioners pay
- cost for new stands 16.6p per candle including cleaning

- cleaning requires glass holders to be exchanged and packed for collection regularly, which was considered quite onerous by the FC
- it was pointed out that the current stands require the cleaning volunteers to scrape wax off the wooden floor and metal stands
- no action; decided to remove the topic from the agenda for future PPC meetings.

10.0 PARISH WEB SITE (CHRIS)

- it was proposed that the front page of the parish web site should change to show seasonal activities and events such as the pantomime
- it was reiterated that parish prayer groups were still difficult to find because they only appear in a sub-menu rather than a consolidating page with links
- Chris said we are hoping to add an email subscription system so people can receive the newsletter by email

11.0 WELCOMING (CHRIS)

- Chris presented the protocol for welcoming new parishioners

12.0 SACRED HEART PRIMARY SCHOOL 90TH ANNIVERSARY (SIOBHAN)

- activities will run from September 2010 20
- 9.30am Friday 11 September Bishop Paul Hendricks will celebrate mass in the church
- past pupils and staff will be sought and invited
- former pupils will be invited to give talks to current pupils
- other activities to be discussed by school planning group
- adverts in Edgeways and newsletters for past pupils and staff to come forward

13.0 EDGEHILL PLAYERS (TBC)

- PPC to write a thank you letter to Wendy Tansey, Terry Marsh and their team after four performances of another successful pantomime

14.0 THE YEAR OF THE WORD EVENT, PENTECOST SUNDAY 31 MAY (DAVID)

- planning meetings Sunday 2 and 16 February
- next meeting 7.30pm 1 March
- at Tuesday 11 February Deanery meeting there were no objections
- Deanery churches (x8) and Churches Together members (x7) will be asked to invite their local Christian faith groups to participate in the activities and to attend
- team with relevant skill have been identified and invited but few have attended
- plans and actions are available from David

15.0 DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

- all meetings on Thursday at 8.00pm in the lounge unless otherwise indicated
- March 5; April 2; May 7; June 4; July 2; September 3; October 1; November 5; December 3
- no date was agreed for PPC Planning and Strategy Day