

**ST. TEILO's with OUR LADY OF LOURDES ROMAN CATHOLIC
CHURCH**

PARISH ADVISORY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday, September 14th 2017

PRESENT:

Madeleine Walters Chair
Helga Evans Secretary

Katey Beggan
Claudiu Bulai Clare Loveluck
JR Diaz Madeline Page
Kathy Kirby David Roblin

1. Opening Prayer

Madeleine led the Opening Prayer

2. Apologies:

Canon Isaac and Gerry Lewis.

3. The Presbytery at OLOL

Canon had left notes for certain items on the Agenda. He said that discussions about the house were on-going, although very slowly.

4. Supporting People living with Dementia

Joanna explained the work that she was doing, together with Sr. Susan Armond of the Sisters of St. Joseph. Both have become Dementia Friends. Joanne was pleased to know that we were interested in setting up a group to support those living with Dementia and their carers in the parish.

She emphasised that it was very wise to do a Dementia Information awareness session in the parish to raise awareness generally. She emphasised the desirability of doing this before anything else.

A date was set: Tuesday, October 17th at 7pm. Madeleine will check this date with Canon. Madeleine thanked Joanne who then left the meeting. An

item will be put in the newsletter and Katey offered to speak on a Sunday closer to the session.

5. Safeguarding

Canon Isaac said that he was very grateful to Gerry for continuing to develop the good practice in this area. Canon had had the annual meeting with the Archdiocesan Safeguarding Co-ordinator that morning. An Internet Safety Seminar will be taking place on Tuesday, October 10th from 7pm-9pm in St. Taylor's Hall. It will be run by Claire Short from the Lucy Faithful Foundation and is organised by Safeguarding.

6. Youth Ministry

There had been no response from the notice published on two separate weekends in the newsletter. It was agreed that a personal face-to-face approach is what is needed.

Katey, Claudiu, J.R. and Madeline offered to approach youngsters after Mass on the weekends of September 30th/October 1st and October 7th/8th.

They would organise a Games Night on Thursday, October 12th and would speak from the lectern to youngsters and to parents and then give out flyers at the end of Mass and speak face to face the young people to invite them to the Games Night.

Weekend of September 30th/ October 1st: Claudiu, J.R. and Katey.

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David suggested looking back at the records of when youngsters aged 12-15 now would have made their First Holy Communion as a way of knowing whom to contact. Clare warned of the possible safeguarding issues related to this. Madeleine asked about DBS checks and Madeleine said she would consult Martin Mahoney.

7. Social Group

Helga said that she had spoken to Dick who was happy to continue being Chairperson. The original members were happy to continue. Helga will call a meeting on November 6th for existing members and will invite others who are interested. Helga said she would advertise the meeting in the Newsletter.

Madeline suggested having a joint event at Christmas time, arranged by the Social Group and including the Youth. Christmas lunch at the Cornerstone was suggested.

Any Other Business

Canon had had an informal meeting with the landlord of the pub. He will be putting a reminder in the Newsletter.

David Roblin said that there had been a Financial Meeting the previous week to go through the figures. He said all was in order. The Archdiocese will audit the accounts and then they will be published.

Madeline reminded members of the Catechist' Conference on Saturday, September 30th and the Evangelisation Conference on Saturday, October 21st. Archbishop Longley of Birmingham will be the Keynote Speaker at this Conference. Madeline said that it would be good if members attended as the PAC.

8. Date of the Next Meeting

The next meeting will be on Thursday, November 9th at 7pm.

The Minutes will be circulated by Thursday, September 28th

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President

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Chair