

## MEETING MINUTES OF HOLY GHOST PPC

Attending: Fr. Leslie Adams  
Colin Davidson  
Sr. Mary Patrick  
Alison Ford  
Mgr. Vincent Harvey  
Richard Luker  
Tony Spiteri  
Geraldine Gallacher  
Liz Lovegrove

Apologies: None

Jamie Budzynski-Seymour attended as he is on work experience

**Date:** Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2007

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The meeting opened with prayer and reflection on the Gospel reading for this coming Sunday: Ascension

Vincent welcomed Liz and Geraldine onto the PPC. They were given a copy of the Constitution and a summary of the role of PPCs by Kevin Treston.

### 1. MATTERS ARISING

**(a) PPC Elections:** Liz and Geraldine were 'elected' unopposed! We still need one more elected member. Nominations are already coming in.

#### **Elections for Chair and Secretary:**

**Chairman:** Tony Spiteri was nominated by Richard and seconded by Colin. Tony was willing to stand and as no one else was nominated he accepted the Chairmanship.

**Secretary:** Richard was nominated by Vincent and seconded by Tony. Richard was willing to stand and as no one else was nominated he accepted to be Secretary.

For this meeting Vincent volunteered to chair and to take brief notes.

**(b) CAFOD:** Vincent still to speak to Ruth Bentall. It was also suggested that Jeremy Bell still be asked to action 'change of use' for the Hall. **(Action VH)**

#### **(c) Justice & Peace**

*Family Fast Day envelopes* (CAFOD). Tony raised the issue and, after discussion it was decided that we should leave the system as at present: use the parish Gift Aid envelope or suggest people write their number on the CAFOD envelope. The envelopes for the October & Lenten Fast Days be collected prior to Mass and then brought up with the Offertory. **(Action TS)**

*Food Bank* Local agencies to meet with Vincent! (Action VH)  
*Icon* The proposed talk by Father Andrew Bishop still to be arranged.  
(Action TS)

The “Live Simply” Picnic on 8<sup>th</sup> July will be promoted as a Parish event. Parishioners will be encouraged to bring food for a picnic on the Parish grounds following the 11am Mass. The J&P group will discuss this further. (Action TS)  
*Children’s participation at Mass* Tony outlined the suggestions made at the J&P meeting. Vincent said that at the meeting with Jackie Tustain (FHC 2007-08) it was decided that the Sunday following the Children’s Saturday session all Masses (assuming children/families register that they attend all three Masses) would be very much geared to the children: participation: readings etc/music etc. When the dates have been finalized Minnie will be contacted (not to allocate readers for those Sundays) and the Music co-ordinators (to chose ‘child’ friendly hymns and Mass settings).

*May Place House Food Collection* We need to begin to advertise the food collection and bring the box from Holy Ghost to St Bede. Tony to contact May Place first to check they still require such food! (Action TS)

**(d) Cell Groups**

*Co-ordinator for Reader’s meetings* June Bowers be approached to see if she would be able to take on the role. (Action VH)

*St Vincent de Paul* is keen to get re-established. Mary Freemantle to be contacted. It was suggested that maybe they could take the ‘food bank’ under their wing!!  
*Other groups* Richard and Colin to meet. (Action RL & CD)

**(e) Ethnic communities** The Filipinos appear to be happy just to get involved in general parish life and to lead the music on an occasional basis. When they do they also provide food for all who come into the hall afterwards!

The Indian community are organising themselves and now have a regular Syro-Malabar Rite Mass at Holy Ghost. They have also organised Stations of the Cross etc.

The Polish community now have the Sunday readings made available courtesy of Richard. They would like the occasional Mass in Polish but there is difficulty at present getting a priest to do this on a Sunday afternoon. On Holy Saturday a good number came for the blessing of their Easter Baskets! It was suggested that we obtain copies of Mass in Polish.

**(f) Religious Book Library** School to be contacted (Action VH)

**2. NORTHWEST HAMPSHIRE PASTORAL AREA**

**(a) Issues to raise:** none in particular

**(b) New PPC Chair to represent Parish at future meetings.** Tony is happy to do so.

### **3. ITEMS FOR NEWSLETTER**

*As above!*

- 4. STEWARDSHIP** Tony mentioned that Judith Aylmer, Kathleen Manley, Vincent and himself went to the day in Chandlers Ford. He gave an account of the day (see appendix for details)

### **5. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

- a* *Dedication Update* Planning appears to be coming together.
- b* *Noise at Mass* Liz Lovegrove raised the issue. Ongoing problem!!
- c* *Membership* It was felt that we ought to co-opt a parishioner from Poland!

- 6. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:** Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2007 at 8pm in St. Bede's Meeting Room