

MINUTES FOR PPC MEETING WEDNESDAY 20TH MAY 8PM 2015

Apologies- Rachel Byrne- RB, Maria Gascoigne- MG, Cathy Clark- CC
Fr. John –FJ,

Present- Fr. Michael- FM, Fr. Catherine Giavarini- CG, Angela Knott-AK Judy Cadwallader- JC, Angela Fenn- AF, Anthony Squire- AS, Una Perry- UP, Ken Elliot Smith- KES, Marina Johnson- MJ, Elaine Giannino- EG Carolyn O'Callaghan - CO

Approval of last meeting minutes and matter's arising;

World Youth Day 26th/31st July 2016- FM confirmed that any attendees next year will be supported by the Becket and part funded by the Parish, also to attend they would have to be over 18 years old. The Briars are managing the promotion of this though.

The International Supper- Social Fundraiser for Sick and Retired Priests Fund

CG and FM explained the date of International Supper needed changing as the Social Club could not do it on 13th June due to lack of bar volunteers, as there is an event the night before. The PPC agreed that the month of September would be better and would give us more time to plan the event. The new date agreed by members was **Saturday 26th September**. AK and CO offered to help with organization of this event. It was agreed that there should be a raffle to raise more money.

Proclaim 15- KES explained that his wife, Mary Elliot Smith wanted to organize some group sessions on Proclaim 15, as Reps have been advised to do this before the meeting in Birmingham. KES explained that the purpose of Proclaim 15 was to evangelise Catholics within the country through groups in parishes within Dioceses.

KES showed a proposal that Mary had wanted to put forward for the PPC. KES mentioned that the main problem was attracting people to come to the sessions. Mary suggested a Tuesday evening and Friday lunchtime to do the sessions. Mary had asked if it would be better to have as a social event then prayer with nibbles? AF suggested that people could bring their own lunch for the Friday sessions with just tea and coffee provided. KES mentioned the possibility of providing lunch for attendees. KES also mentioned that Mary wanted to use the bar stock for refreshments in the evening. CG agreed to speak to Chris Farmer about providing wine from the bar.

It was agreed that the Prayer group needed to be involved. The times for the sessions were also agreed by the PPC. It was suggested for the evening session 8pm-9.30pm and 12.30pm-1.30pm for the lunchtime sessions.

AF mentioned the possibility of having a retreat before the Proclaim 15 Conference in Birmingham. However, FM explained that it takes a long time to organize a retreat.

Next Meeting- **Wednesday 10th June**

AOB-

DBS check changes – CG explained about the new changes for DBS checks for parish volunteers and that part of the application was now done online. Also the Holy Spirit Parish has a big renewals list.

Christmas Fayre- CG confirmed the date of the Christmas Fayre which would be Saturday 21st November and that there was a Planning meeting on Thursday June 18th 8pm in the Social Centre. CG also confirmed there was now a team of organisers. This event will also be another social fundraiser for The Sick and Retired Priests Fund.

PA System- FM said that more speakers have been added and some replaced. Had anyone noticed a difference? A few people said they had.

First Holy Communion- FM confirmed that the First Holy Communion went well at the Cathedral.