



Catholic Parish of Wellington South

From the coast to the harbour

St Anne's
St Bernard's
St Francis de Sales
St Joseph's

*We are a community of joyful disciples growing together and sharing Christ's message.
Ko tātou tetahi hāpori o ngā ākonga harikoa, e whakatupu ngātahi ana, e ruia ana te karere o Hēhu Karaiti*

Minutes of the Wellington South Parish Council 25 June 2019, 6.30pm, St Anne's Church

Present: Fr. David Dowling, Rachael Cahir, John Whiting, Penny Holden, Francis Fanning, Stephen Neal, Joe Green, Ivan Moss, Lorraine Forrest, Andrew Pozniak, Fr, Dennis Nacorda

Apologies: Melania Luka-Lui

Reflection: Rachael led the reflection with a Matariki prayer written by Jemma Allen.

Minutes of last meeting: Minutes from the May meeting were approved.

Proposed John. Seconded Francis.

Matters arising

- Thank you to all who assisted with the recent discernment process.
- Finance committee will provide more detail regarding maintenance and operating costs.
- Welcome Raine who has joined the Parish Council.

Leadership Team Update

Fr. Dennis tabled an update outlining activities over the last month. Of particular note the confirmation Mass on 16 June involved 49 young people and their families. There was also a successful combined mass for Susanne Aubert's birthday.

Consultation

Summarised feedback from the discernment groups was discussed. Several key themes are emerging.

- Impact on communities / loss of community
- Buildings and social justice i.e. using buildings wisely to promote mission and vision of church
- The Church is sacramental and inward looking
- Knowing the roles of laity and priests
- Church /school connection

Stephen will draft an update for the newsletter outlining key themes and communicating the next step of the process. It was agreed to include the consultation timeline as a regular feature in the newsletter.

After much discussion it was decided that the next phase of the consultation will involve a parish wide meeting in August using the stewardship day model (ie discussion tables with groups of approx. 10 people). This would focus on the following broad questions:

- How do we make our church alive and visible in the community?

- Are buildings or community the priority
- If a community needs to move how will we sustain it?

Ivan and Raine to meet and further discuss/document what this event could look like.

David/Dennis will check practicalities around venue (St Pats?) and dates.

Stephen to liaise with Melly.

We also need to ensure that we are aware of neighbouring communities and their thoughts/process around the consultation. **Fr David will have formal discussions with Miramar, St Mary's and St Gerard's and feed back to the Parish Council next month.**

Future dates: 16 July, 27 August, 24 September, 22 October, 26 November. December meeting to be confirmed as 4th Tuesday would fall on Christmas eve!

Reflection for next meeting: ?

Next meeting date: Tuesday 16th July, 6.30, St Anne.