

# Minutes of Catholic Parish of Wellington South Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) Meeting

6.30pm Monday 26 March 2018 at St Joseph's

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

## **In attendance:**

Stephen Neal, Joy Andersen, Penny Holden, Francis Fanning, John Whiting, Ivan Moss, Fr David Dowling

## **Apologies:**

Fr Dennis Nacorda, Joe Green

- 1. Prayer/reflection – Fr. David** opened the meeting and led with the Prayer for Pastoral Planning used at the last meeting.
- 2. Minutes of meetings**  
Draft minutes of the meeting of 27 February 2018, as circulated were approved.
- 3. Matters Arising**
  - Follow up on action items form part of the agenda
  - An on-going project is working with the Social Justice Team to develop a framework of actions to implement the Parish Plan in this area, that reflects local needs within the context Catholic Social Teaching
- 4. Leadership Team Notes**
  - The Leadership Team has been meeting with other parish teams.
  - Cross community support is a focus at this time.
  - Baptismal preparation groups from each community are working to building a parish team.
  - Passionist Family Group - Coordinating teams for each community and a coordination couple/team across the parish is essential for success. Progress is looking good and promotion about to begin.
  - The Sacramental Programme has 51 children enrolled. Reconciliation has been completed and Part 2 (Confirmation) begins in May.
  - The Parish reconciliation service that combined the children's first reconciliation with adults also receiving the sacrament was seen as a positive development.
  - Post Sacramental Programme ideas and options to keep contact with the children as they complete the current sacramental programme are being considered.
  - Gift Discernment Programme – Fr. David has information from Lorraine McArthur. Item for next meeting

**5. Parish Plan**

- PPC members were asked to identify an aspect of the Parish plan they would like to focus on as individuals and think about how they could draw other parishioners to be involved in those areas.
- Developments/Actions are already in progress and happening in several areas of the plan. (See attached)

**6. Council Membership.**

- New PPC members need to be recruited.
- A paper was circulated relating to the make up of the PPC and guidelines prepared for our Parish and those produced by the Archdioceses.
- The Parish guidelines are available on the website for anyone interested to access.
- Current members are asked to consider possible people and bring names to the next meeting to possibly test initial interest.
- School Principals may have ideas of Parents who would be willing to join the PPC.
- Joy undertook to prepare a paper that outlines a possible process to follow in appointing new members.
- A 'recruitment drive' is required with promote membership of the PPC as a way to support the parish.

**7. Review of Mass times**

- The group met and reflected on the times and considered issues that have been raised.
- One key issue is the workload and travel for the Leadership Team between churches on a Sunday morning.
- At this stage it was felt that maintaining the status quo while further options were discussed with the Archdiocese was the way to go. It is noted that this was a fragile arrangement and alternatives need to be found.

**8. School - Parish Relationship**

It was decided that building on these relationships would become a focus for our next meeting. Andrew, as the Pincipal's representative, will be able to give insights from the school perspective.

**9. Parish Events**

- Post the very successful Home of Compassion Day, building on the developing relationship with Our Lady's Home of compassion is seen as very important. An ecumenical celebration of Suzanne Aubert will take place in October. The PPC will look towards other ways of working together.
- 10 June will be a joint celebration of Confirmation at St Francis de Sales Church with Parishioners encouraged to support the young people to be confirmed. There will be one other morning Mass in the Parish on that day.

**10. Financial Report**

- A new chairman is to be appointed.
- The projected loss for the fiscal year is less than expected.
- On a positive note, there is provisional support for the developments in the Brougham Street property however consultation within the Parish needs to happen before spending on refurbishment. The Finance continue to work to progress plans.

**Next Meeting Monday 24 April 2018 at 6:30pm at St Anne's**

Reflection for the next meeting will be prepared by Francis Fanning.

**ACTION ITEMS**

<b>Agenda item</b>	<b>What</b>	<b>Who</b>	<b>By when</b>
4	Gift Discernment Programme	Fr. David	Next Meeting
5	Parish Plan	All Members	On going
6	Council Membership Process	Joy	Next Meeting
8	School – Parish relationship	Andrew	Next Meeting