

# Minutes of the Wellington South Parish Council

26<sup>th</sup> March 2019, 6.30pm, St Anne's Church

<b>Present</b>	Fr David Dowling, Rachael Cahir, Joe Green, Penny Holden, Ivan Moss, Stephen Neal, Andrew Pozniak, John Whiting		
<b>Apologies</b>	Joy Anderson, Francis Fanning, Melania Luka-Lui, Fr. Dennis Nacorda		
<b>Reflection</b>	Rachael led the reflection with a prayer.		
<b>Minutes of last meeting</b>	Minutes from the February meeting were approved.		
<b>Proposed</b>	John Whiting	<b>Seconded</b>	Fr David
<b>Matters arising</b>	<b>Youth Co-ordinator</b> - Joe reported the business case for a Youth Co-ordinator was to be discussed at the Finance meeting on 27 <sup>th</sup> March.		

## Parish Team Report

Fr David reported that pastorally he and Joe had had a very busy and challenging month, having one team member down. In future it is noted that some things could be done differently. Under the radar Fr David noted that last year there were 72 baptisms, work is underway to do things differently. Baptisms require preparation, pastoral care etc.

Fr Dennis arrives back on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> April and will be ready to participate within a couple of days of arriving back. Fr David will then take a couple of days leave.

**Safeguarding Workshop** - The report from Brendy Weir has been received regarding the 'Safeguarding' workshop. The Pastoral Team is reviewing this, but it is very positive. There is work to be completed on communication, vetting etc. Lucienne has been appointed the Parish Safeguarding co-ordinator.

**Caritas** have been providing speakers - Julianne and Roger, to speak at each of the Parish Communities. Mt Victoria still to have speaker.

**Lent Seminars** – there are 4 – 5 different groups providing a variety of topics. The feedback has been positive.

**Ash Wednesday Ecumenical Service at HOC** was well attended

**Prayer Vigil for Christchurch Victims** – 200 attended.

**Brougham Street Refurbishment** – There has been no update from the Architect, Fr David will follow up with the Finance Committee because he would like to go to tender asap.

**Finances** – The ongoing financial position of the parish is of concern. This has been raised with the finance committee for urgent attention.

Two candidates were received into the Church at St Joseph's last Sunday. There is one other catechumen.

52 people have enrolled in the Sacramental Programme. The numbers vary according to the particular Sacrament.

First Reconciliation for the children will be Rite 1 on 11<sup>th</sup> April. This is for the children only!

Easter Liturgies two of the ceremonies will be combined and held as following –

Holy Thursday

St Bernard's and St Joseph's

Twenty-Five people have been trained to led the Sunday Worship if needed.

### **Planning for Consultation**

#### **Phase 1: Data gathering**

The Mass attendance figures were tabled. These will form part of the data given to all Parishioners in the newsletter. These will ensure everyone is well informed.

Data required on the projection of School Rolls.

Population Forecasts - there is an interesting tool given on page 4 of the Cardinal's communication. More data to be gathered. A question was raised concerning the parish boundaries in Hataitai.

#### **Phase 2: Consultation**

Options for consultation were discussed by the Council. A proposal was received from Mely Kartawidjaya, a Launch Out participant, to support the parish consultation process. This was discussed and Mely will be invited to the next council meeting.

It was agreed to that the consultation with take place in stage including the sharing of information. Consultation will occur mainly after masses but other events can be organised as we progress.

Stephen will prepare the communications and forward to Office.

#### **Meeting dates for 2019**

23<sup>rd</sup> April, 28<sup>th</sup> May, 25<sup>th</sup> June, 23<sup>rd</sup> July, 27<sup>th</sup> August, 24<sup>th</sup> September, 22<sup>nd</sup> October, 26<sup>th</sup> November.

December meeting to be confirmed as 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday would fall on Christmas Eve!

#### **Reflection for next meeting - Ivan**

**Next meeting date - Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April, 6.30, St Anne.**