

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

6.30pm Tuesday 28 November 2017 at St Anne'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, Joe Green, John Price, Francis Fanning, John Whiting, Fr Dennis Nacorda, Michael Burrowes, Elisapeta Elama.

We were joined by Ivan Moss from Brooklyn who is interested in seeing how the PPC works and Rain Forest from Life Teen.

Apologies:

Fr David Dowling, Tracy Gundesen, Owen Lynch

1. Prayer/reflection – Fr Denis

2. Minutes of meetings

Draft minutes of the meeting of 24 October 2017, as circulated were approved.

3. Matters Arising

- Planning for a Parish Day at Our Lady's Home of Compassion is progressing with two possible dates being explored.
- Synod documents are on the Parish website.
- Promoting the Synod documents in the Parish Newsletter to be followed up.
- Promoting the Stewardship Day was successful with over 100 parishioners turning up and contributing.
- Stephen replied to the Social Justice Group regarding them preparing a policy statement for the PPC. Joe has drafted a paper for them.

4. Leadership Team Report

- Joe presented notes from the Leadership team meeting outlining the many recent and upcoming initiatives/activities for the team at this particularly busy time.
- All Soul's Day Mass specifically inviting parishioners who had lost family recently was much appreciated.
- Comment was made that in addition to the training for the new people taking on ministry roles at mass, it may be useful to have a refresher course for those who have been doing it for a while.
- All involved in Liturgical Ministry will receive a special blessing during the first Sunday of Advent Mass.
- A new initiative influenced by the tradition in the Philippines of Christmas Novena Masses and with a kiwi flavor, begins at St Joseph's on 15 December.
- The process of negotiations with the Wellington City Council to have the yellow 'earthquake prone building sticker' removed from SFdS is underway but may take some months yet.

- St Bernard's work is also 'in train' with a great deal of paperwork still to be undertaken. The church has a NBS rating of approx. 30 and has 4 or 5 years to complete the required work.
- A meeting with the National and Wellington coordinators of the Passionist Family Group has happened and the next stage is creating a time-line for the re-launch building on past efforts.
- The presbytery at St Bernard's needs a condition report and quite major maintenance carried out. Care needs to be taken to respect the rights of the current tenant.
- The Office will close on Friday 22nd December 2017.

5. Life Teen – Rain Forest

The initiative is well supported. An average of 28 – 32 people come together to be part of Life Teen at St Anne's. (Last year they had 15 young people.) They all attend Mass as well as the social activities. There are 17 going to the Catholic Festival this weekend and an enthusiastic large group going to Life Teen Camp later.

There are 5 leaders who are involved in planning for the group each week and they are stretched as an important part of the role is to have regular contact during the week. Administrative support would ease some of the load. Keeping volunteers from burning out is a key issue.

6. Financial/ Property - Michael Burrowes

Michael presented an update on property issues including:

- SFdS – The final report need by the WCC is due to get to them by mid-December. The PFC is also seeking a proposal for a cost-effective solution for the recommended bracing of the North Wall and commissioned a Geotech report which could impact on the design of the bracing work. It may also influence the final NBS increasing it from 70 to 80%.
- Brougham St – The Archdiocese needs to see that the renovation proposal is consistent with and within the Parish Plan.
- St Bernard's presbytery – A property condition report is being arranged as there are significant issues.

Penny, endorsed by the PPC, thanked Michael for all the work he and his team have undertaken and asked that he pass on our thanks to his team.

7. Parish Plan

PPC members took some time to consider areas identified during the Synod discussions and highlighted at our Stewardship Day. These had been written up on the meeting room whiteboard. We then identified a particular focus for individual areas and added to the White-Board for consideration.

- **See attachment**

A wide-ranging discussion identified key areas:

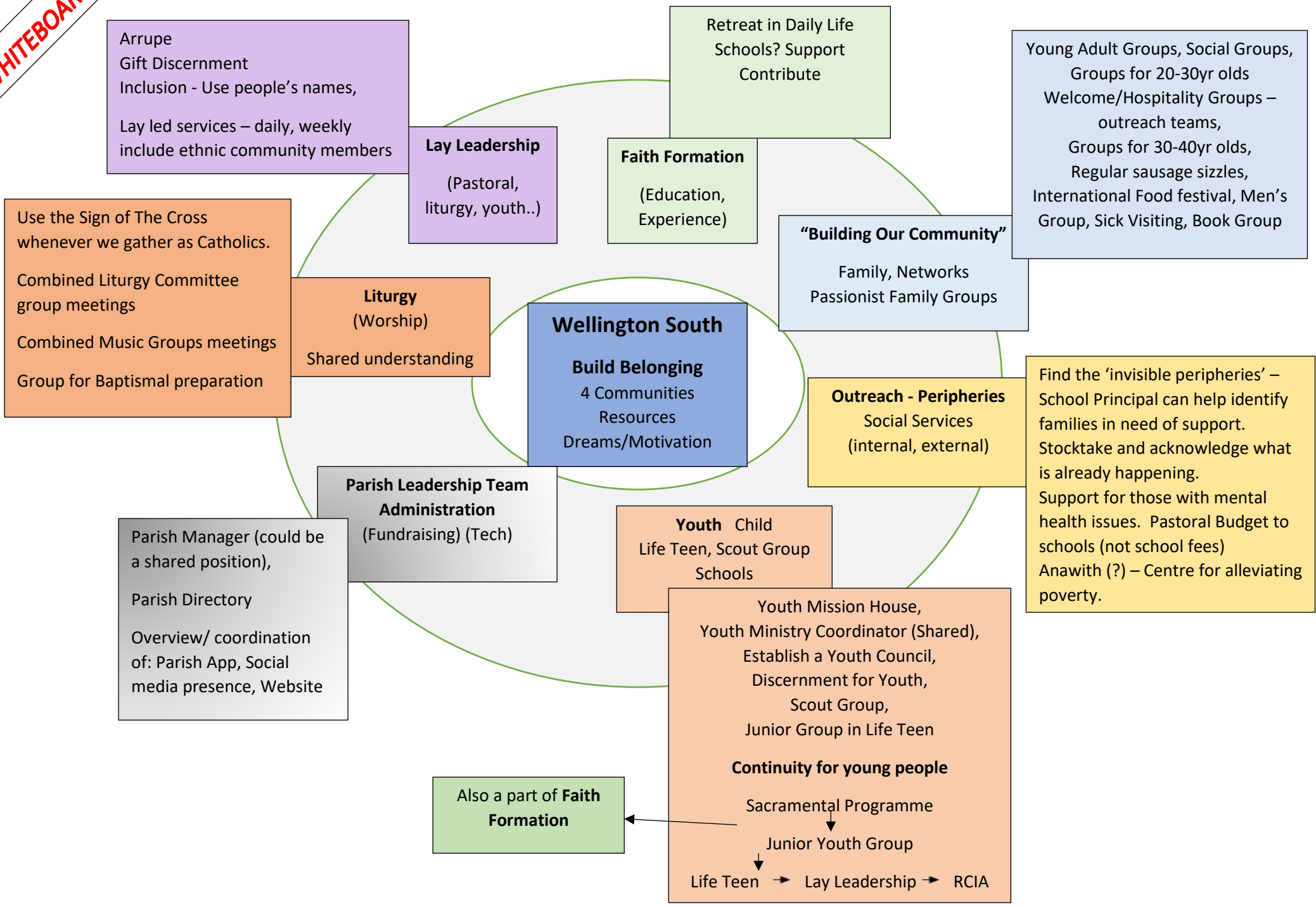
- **YOUTH** – Reinvigorating efforts to encourage young people in our parish to join in and feel like they belong.
- **OUTREACH** – A focus on supporting families.
- **LAY LEADERSHIP**
- **BUILD BELONGING** – Encompasses us all

Meeting Closed 8.39pm

Next Meeting Tuesday 29 January 2018 at 6:30pm at St Anne's

CATHOLIC PARISH OF WELLINGTON SOUTH PASTORAL PLAN 2018/19

WHITEBOARD



Arrupe
Gift Discernment
Inclusion - Use people's names,
Lay led services – daily, weekly
include ethnic community members

Lay Leadership
(Pastoral,
liturgy, youth..)

Retreat in Daily Life
Schools? Support
Contribute

Faith Formation
(Education,
Experience)

Young Adult Groups, Social Groups,
Groups for 20-30yr olds
Welcome/Hospitality Groups –
outreach teams,
Groups for 30-40yr olds,
Regular sausage sizzles,
International Food festival, Men's
Group, Sick Visiting, Book Group

Use the Sign of The Cross
whenever we gather as Catholics.
Combined Liturgy Committee
group meetings
Combined Music Groups meetings
Group for Baptismal preparation

Liturgy
(Worship)
Shared understanding

Wellington South
Build Belonging
4 Communities
Resources
Dreams/Motivation

"Building Our Community"
Family, Networks
Passionist Family Groups

Outreach - Peripheries
Social Services
(internal, external)

Find the 'invisible peripheries' –
School Principal can help identify
families in need of support.
Stocktake and acknowledge what
is already happening.
Support for those with mental
health issues. Pastoral Budget to
schools (not school fees)
Anawith (?) – Centre for alleviating
poverty.

Parish Leadership Team
Administration
(Fundraising) (Tech)

Parish Manager (could be
a shared position),
Parish Directory
Overview/ coordination
of: Parish App, Social
media presence, Website

Youth Child
Life Teen, Scout Group
Schools

Youth Mission House,
Youth Ministry Coordinator (Shared),
Establish a Youth Council,
Discernment for Youth,
Scout Group,
Junior Group in Life Teen
Continuity for young people
Sacramental Programme
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Junior Youth Group
↓
Life Teen → Lay Leadership → RCIA

Also a part of **Faith Formation**

- We have had Synod '17
- A successful Stewardship Day
- Translate the wealth of information and feedback into 10 – 12 major initiative

2016/2017 – Establishment process

2018/2019 – Plan in progress

- WORSHIP MINISTRY
- EDUCATION MINISTRY
- SOCIAL SERVICE MINISTRY
- FAMILY LIFE APOSTOLATE
- YOUTH MINISTRY

Question - Do we do it ? ↔ Encourage parishioners to support existing groups

KEY INITIATIVES

- Youth Mission House
- Retreat in Daily Life
- Gift Discernment
- Leadership Development (Arrupe)
- Social Housing – Paper being prepared
- Joint Masses – St Pats, Home of Compassion
- Sacramental Programme
- Scout Group
- Life Teen
- Home of Compassion liaison – Joint Activities
- Passionist Family Groups
- Mens Groups