

St Peter's Parish Pastoral Team Meeting
Tuesday 21st January 2025

MINUTES

Present. Fr Peter, Alison McGarr (chair), Anne-Marie Bailey, Clare Allen, Terry Thiele, Rachel McKay (minutes).

Apologies; David Small.

Minutes of last meeting already accepted.

- 1. Website.** Kyle attended to detail the process and work that has been undertaken on the new website. Still in early stages, but draft of home page now available. Home page looks very good – designed to have same warm, welcoming feel that you get when you walk in to church. Clean, simpler format that appeals to next generation. Company now ready to move forward to build stage.

Test site will be available before site goes live. Website will include St Philip's too. Website designed to work across all devices- desktop, mobile, tablet. A template will be produced for each group to update their information. Keep pages short. Simple menu. Thanks were noted to Kyle, Anne-Marie and the rest of the project team, Chris Rhodes, Dan Bulley, and Terry Thiele for all their work on this.

Action: - company invoice to be sent through to parish.

- 2. Shine.** Excellent Christmas issue. Everybody happy with it. Many asking for more copies. 1200 copies distributed. Also available on the church website. Can we ask people to return any copies they may have finished with to the back of church for those who didn't get one?

Action: Terry/Anne-Marie – thought around timing of next issue.

Rachel – note in newsletter- return any copies not needed.

- 3. Centenary Mosaic.** Maria Elena has commenced her work on the Mosaic.

Action: - **Anne-Marie** will get in touch with Maria Elena re. plan and positioning of the mosaic.

4. Groups meeting – Further discussion around idea of having a gathering of the various groups maybe before Easter.

Clare has drafted an email which will be sent out to all the parish groups inviting them to this event. Last time a similar gathering helped communication between the groups; encouraged working together; sharing resources and volunteers/ideas. This might be an opportunity to prepare a snapshot of the groups involved in the parish for the incoming priest. Gathering together is also an opportunity to share info across all the groups e.g. to explore access and inclusion, volunteering, safeguarding etc.

Opportunities to collaborate coming up; - grounds clearance (date from Eamonn); Jubilee celebrations; gather dates for parish calendar. Clare has an idea for an intergenerational community event e.g. 'Cuppa and Crafts' inclusive, accessible, open to all.

Possible date for groups meeting 13th March.

Action: - Clare will share the email for comment.

5. Fr Peter's 50th Jubilee celebrations will be on Saturday 19th July, Mass at midday. Helen has booked the caterer/hall.

Prosecco on the lawn – Rachel will order.

Further celebrations with cake after the Sunday Mass the next day.

Possibly Fr Peter's last Sunday might be Sunday 31st August. Farewell celebrations after 10 AM Mass in the Parish Centre.

6. Future plans/preparing for change of priest. New website should be up and running which new priest can be signposted to. Also Shine magazines. Snapshot of groups from groups gathering.

7. A.O.B – 24 Hour Adoration (28-29 March 2025) An initiative of Pope Francis in this Jubilee year that will be celebrated by dioceses around the World.

Date for next meeting: Tuesday 11th March, starting with Adoration at 7 PM in church.

The meeting closed with the Parish Prayer.