# MINUTES OF THE WEDNESDAY GROUP MEETING HELD ON 7th May 2014

**Present:** Father Don, Ann Black (Chair), Josie & Peter Cowden, Gwyneth Collins, Sheila Doyle, Val Gebbett, Margaret Gee, Ann & Derek Ivison, Nella Lewyckyj, Eileen Lonergan, Judith & Roy Martin, Pat Pover, Mary Revell, Sylvia Shaw (minutes), Nuala Shepley, Keith Winston

1. <u>Apologies</u> Jean & Edmund Ashton, Maureen Brierley, Marie Davies, Monica Gee, ColinJohnson, Evelyn Matthewman, Joan Mitton, Peter & Colleen Whittam, Chris Wild

Ann Black introduced and welcomed Margaret Gee to her first meeting.

## 2. Matters Arising

- <u>a) Meal at Golf Club A great success and enjoyed by all.</u>
- b) <u>Church Website</u> Up and running. All encouraged to view and use the site (<u>longdendale-catholics.co.uk</u>).

## 3. Bodnant/Llandudno trip

Now only have 23 names for trip and 35 seater coach booked and paid for. Unable to change coach booking. Shortfall between money paid and needed is £234. To cover shortfall will require cost of coach per person to increase to £19.56 plus cost of admission to Bodnant. Trip advertised at both St. Mary's and All Saints. FD will mention in this week's newsletter (Sylvia to send him details). Agreed that £5 non-refundable deposit would be required for trips. Use smaller coach for future events.

## 4. Lunch at Oaklands Hall

Lunch provisionally booked on 1st July for 1.00 p.m. Cost approximately £11.00 for 3 courses, tea/coffee and tip. List circulated for names of people interested in going.

## 5. National Memorial Arboretum/LichfieldCathedral

Provisionally booked for Wednesday 10th September. 24 people listed as interested in going. Cost £19 (includes a light lunch) plus coach. Will book 25 seater coach.

#### 6. <u>Summer Fair/Coffee Morning</u>

Group asked about interest in holding further coffee mornings to raise funds for the parish instead of a summer fair. FD mentioned he is meeting with members of the fledgling young families group tonight and will offer suggestions as to how they might connect with the parish. Getting involved in running a summer fair might be one possibility. Ann Black offered to host a coffee morning at her home on Saturday 28th June.

#### 7. Finances

£385 in bank, £195.54 balance of which £100 transferred to bank to pay £450 for coach leaving a balance of £35. Also paid £18 Affiliation fee to Community Transport.

#### 8. Any Other Business

Showboat - tickets obtained for 10th July.

Plan to go out for another meal in October. FD suggested a number of venues. Also to have more speakers and shared tables - more inclusive for the less mobile.

Roy thanked all for card on admission to the church and FD for giving him the confidence to stand at lectern and give the bidding prayer.

Colleen broke hip whilst in Cumbria. In hospital in Lancaster. FD to visit Mary B today.

## 9. Agenda for next meeting on Wednesday 4th June 2014

- 1. Apologies
- 2. Any Matters not covered by substantive items a) Bodnant
- 3. Lunch Oaklands Hall
- 4. Coffee Morning Saturday 28th June 2014
- 5. Finances
- 6. AOB
- 7. Date of next Meeting