

THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION AND ST. MARGARET'S PASTORAL COUNCIL

Meeting 2.00pm Sunday 10th May 2015

Present: Canon Don, A. Cass, C. Wathey, M. Davis, S. Hickinson,
A. Urquhart, A. Scullion, J. Fallon, S. Thirlwell, D. Norton, A. Travis.

Apologies: J. Burkinshaw, G. Adderley.

1. Canon Don opened the meeting with a prayer.
2. The minutes from the 22nd March meeting were approved.
3. The Care group was discussed.
4. Finance: C. Wathey reported that she is still working on the figures to complete the year end details, but read out the details of the income and expenditure of the current account and the opening and closing balance of the off-set account.

The details from the meeting held 8th March to discuss the split for rectory costs, has now been agreed and the percentage on larger items to be in accordance with the collections, 56% Had. 44% B/B Gamesley, reviewed annually.

A meeting of the finance committee was set for 7.00 pm on Wednesday 10th June at the rectory.

5. School Fairs: The chair had received a communication from Andy Cartwright saying a date had been set of Saturday 27th June for the summer fair. A meeting to be arranged with members of the parish to make preparations. A date for this to be agreed. **A. Cass**
6. D. Norton reported he has now obtained some new music for the mass.
7. The Day Retreat: D.N. had spoken to a Sr. Teresa who has agreed to help. Canon Don suggested a Saturday, sometime in October, and the venue to be the Immaculate Conception. The format and date to be agreed. **D. Norton**
8. The roof repair: the area in church where rain damage is, has been checked, whilst it was raining, and it now appears that the leak has been cured.
A quotation of £340 for re painting the damaged area has been received and it was approved. The work will now proceed.
9. Statue of the Sacred Heart: Pete Davis has been to see the statue and agreed he could clean and repaint it.
The cleaning of the statue of Our Lady: Pete also agreed to do this but would require a cherry picker. The cost of a cherry picker would be £250. We now await the price from Pete. It was agreed, should the price, including the cherry picker, be under £600 that the work should proceed.

10. The church grounds: J.Fallon reported that her husband John suggested scattering wild flower seeds around the fruit trees, it was agreed that from experience this exercise was not successful. John had also suggested turf or grass seed. Prices to be obtained This still to be explored.

Canon Don thanked Maree Davis for her work in the garden

11. Bradbury House: This had been successful and raised £424. It was thought that some of the stalls now required a new selection of goods, also the tombola to have more prizes. A request for these goods, to be made to the parishioners, before the next coffee morning.
12. Next fund raising meal: The date is still to be set. A new EC regulations for people selling food had come in and Sue H and Carole W are concerned that this could effect the events. This to be looked into. **A. Cass/S. Hickinson**
13. De-cluttering in church: this is to be addressed and items in the cellar will be sorted. A. Cass and A. Scullion to organise dates for sorting and removing of the rubbish.
14. C. Wathey said there was a problem with the metal trim on the cellar door. To be looked into.
15. First Holy Communion: Canon Don thought that there would be a lot of visitors for this and wondered about space for car parking A. Cass has agreed to organise someone to do this. **A. Cass**
16. A. Scullion reported that St. Charles' council meeting minutes are on the Web-site and wondered if Immaculate Conception/St. Margaret's minutes should go on also. Canon Don suggested an edited version. To be considered.
17. Quarant 'Ore 4th – 7th June: Canon Don suggested the days for each church as follows: Thursday morning – Hadfield, afternoon – B/B. Friday all day – B/B. Saturday all day – Had. Sunday after mass - Had. followed by a service for the sick. Refreshments are to be provided. Canon Don to supply the lists for people to sign up for being in the church on the above days.
18. Due to her heavy work commitment a resignation has been received from Gill Adderley. It was suggested that if possible, the new member be from Gamesley. A. Cass is to make an appeal at mass on Saturday 16th May. **A. Cass**
19. Well-Blessing: Various suggestions for the image for the well display were made. The suggestion for Sr. Nano Nagle was agreed. Images to be obtained for final choice. **S. Hickinson**
20. S.H reported that the Charlesworth Carnival Saturday July 11th
21. Date for the next meeting: 2.00pm Sunday 28th June 2015