

Sacred Heart Waterloooville

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

Minutes of the meeting held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2011

Present:

Father Kevin, Cyril Brown (Chairman), , Nikki Ellul-Turner, Jane Standen, Elizabeth White, Christine Hartridge, Maureen Anglaret , Richard Barclay , Joy Hastilow.

Father Kevin opened the meeting at 7.00pm with the reading for next Sunday and prayers.

03.11.01. Apologies for Absence:

David Stretton, Julie Long, Sister Margaret

03.11.02. Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

The minutes for the previous meeting, held on 20.01.11 were accepted as a true and accurate record.

03.11.03. Lesley Schofield – Parish Centre Management Committee

Unfortunately Lesley was unable to make the meeting, but a brief update was provided on the clarification of its role, including Health and Safety, bookings and storage. Father Kevin re-iterated the importance of their role, and that although their voluntary status must always be borne in mind, the level of dedication and expertise should be commended.

The transfer of stored items is being organized by Patrick Binks, who is liaising on an individual basis with all those concerned.

For an initial period, of approximately six months, the use of the Centre will be by the Parish groups, after which, it will be available to the wider community.

Although a Health and Safety representative has been appointed for the Centre, Father Kevin considered that a single H&S officer with responsibility for the whole church building, centre and site may benefit from being independent of any committee.

03.11.04. Parish Priest's Report:

a. Father Kevin reported that he had continued to be busy, but that the new system for covering chaplaincy at QA was working well.

b. All the Easter preparations were in place, and would be taking place in the present church. The Palm Sunday service would start outside the church, as usual, but would be shared with a group from St George's.

c. Parish Lenten Information: Father Kevin reported that he would be leading investigations of the four Gospels on Tuesday evenings, with discussion opportunities on Thursday mornings, based on The Disciples Journey diocesan material, being led by Tom Wilkinson and Philip Hayllar.

d. The Journey in Faith's twelve candidates will celebrate the 'Rite of Sending' on the following Sunday.

- e. There are 21 confirmation candidates due to start their programme after Easter.
- f. Oaklands School is to host a mission week in March, led by the Zion Catholic Evangelical Society, which was commended by Father Kevin. A prayer card will be available shortly.
- g. Father Kevin reported on the usefulness of the regular Havant Pastoral Council Meetings, at which the initial timetable of masses for the new church had been agreed – 6.15pm Saturday, 10.00am and 6.30pm Sunday.
- h. The publication of the new Missal was mentioned, which may be available by Advent this year.

#### 03.11.05 New Church Progress Report:

The new delay in completion was explained as being a result of the need to obtain court permission for access to enable the electrical supply to be upgraded. This was as a result of changes that had been made in the original specifications.

The mosaic has now been completed and was commended. Whilst the new statues of Our Lady and the Sacred Heart are being commissioned, the sisters have generously lent the parish a Madonna and Child and a modern Sacred Heart, which will be placed temporarily in the church.

It is planned that votive tea candles will be used in the new church.

In response to a question, Father Kevin detailed that as far as he was aware; the building programme was on budget. Also stated that a number of private donations for specific items are due to be made. He clarified that the disposal/use of the present presbytery would have to be decided by the parish.

#### 03.11.06 Dedication of the New Church:

The Dedication of the New Church will take place on the 1.7.11 (Feast day of The Sacred Heart) by our Bishop, Crispian Hollis.

Jane Standen and Nikky Ellul-Turner reported on the excellent progress being made by the new church dedication day committee, including; V.I.P. invites and escorts, investigating catering, numbers, parking, and keeping the parish informed.

Father Kevin had begun addressing the liturgical aspects of the dedication, including liaising with the schools.

Father Kevin has invited all relevant clergy, and requested responses by 6<sup>th</sup> May. He was very pleased to announce that the Apostolic Nuncio to Great Britain, Archbishop Antonio Mennini, had already accepted his invitation.

Particular requirements of the ceremony were outlined by Father Kevin, including the specific liturgy required, and those whose presence is required.

#### 03.11.08 Fundraising

A number of events are currently being organized:

26/27 March Final Buy a Brick weekend  
18 June The Chiswell's Garden Party  
16 July Barn Dance in the new church

A 'Purchase a Pane' event is being arranged to fund the procurement of the coloured glass required for the new church windows. This will be along the lines of the 'Buy a Brick' campaign which has now finished.

03.11.09 Bamenda Sponsored Walk:

Elizabeth White reported that the walk had been successfully completed and monies were now being collected and collated.

03.11.10 A.O.B:

Richard Barclay proposed that a system of 'Rapid Response' volunteers be recruited to ensure all walkways were safe in the event of snow/ice. He would be happy to co-ordinate. Father Kevin suggested that an article be placed in the Newsletter in September.

Father Kevin closed the meeting at 8.55 with prayers.

03.11.11 Dates of Next Meeting:

Please note changes:

05/05/11.

21/07/11

08/09/11