PPC Meeting Minutes Mon 11th Feb 2019 Retro Choir, Clevedon - 7.30p.m.

- 1. Opening Prayer/Reflection (PK)
- 2. Present: Peter Kehoe (chair), Fr Reg, Fr Tony, Vincent McLaughlin, Deacon Mario, Tessa Lawrence, Sandy Gale, Austin Davis, Bob Garner, Cath Hanley, Simon Farnden, Tom Osman (secretary)
- 3. Welcome and Apologies Barbara B, Anthony Palmer, John Woodcock
- 4. Minutes from Previous Meeting Matters arising not listed below
- 4.1 Families to review how best to accommodate different 'wants' within our church please read emails on this topic and consider options thanks

Discussion was had about including all members of the congregation, following words between older members of the congregation with parents about young, unruly children

Re: Ushers – write personalised letter to all Ushers in consultation with Patrick Murrell, thanking them from the Friars for their Ministry plus incorporating please you look out for young families and young children to show them where the Children's Liturgy is happening and what is on offer for children in the corner near Friary Shop –

Action: Friars, Patrick Murrell, Tom, Cath to take to people in question

Children's Liturgy: TL to approach CLOW team with suggestion change to format?

Action: Tessa L

4.2 Leaflets – to hear what progress has been made re Policy for the display of Leaflets (VMcL)

Making Narthex look better:

- i) Coat of paint needed in the Narthex above noticeboard <u>VMCL to approach Maintenance</u> Committee
- ii) Notice to stop rogue leaflets Tom via VMcL
- iii) Other ways of cleaning up narthex being actioned by VMcL

Substantive Items	Actions
 5. New Eucharistic Ministers - Selecting and approaching suitable candidates to be Eucharistic Ministers (guest: Bob Garner see** below) - BG voiced concerns that volunteers are diminishing and abilities - VM : should all PPC members be Eucharistic Ministers - SG – people take on too many ministries - MK: we should be guided by the Holy Spirit 	TO/BG
- every member of the PPC to offer Fr Reg and Fr Tony one/two	All
possibles for EMins to the Parish Office	<u>Friars</u>
6.Altar Hangings - To review the practice of changing the "hangings behind the altar" – see * below	
Options put forward by Sandy Gale:	
1.Change backdrop in season – keep liturgical colours correct 2.Keep up white behind big six	
3.Keep up a non- liturgical colour up behind big six	
4.Change material to make it easier to change	SG / RG
SG / RG agreed to go with blue backdrop all the time	
7. Mahola Day – to receive a report on Mahola Day – CAFOD included	
Beautiful day had for all ages –	
Younger earlier on, Older later on	

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Lots of different religious groups included	
Encourage Mass-goers – Saturday evening Mass –goers get in	
8. Preparing our church for the 21 st Century – to receive an update from	
working group	
Signage – AD/TL/VMcL – still working on project	AD/TL/VMcL
Discussion had about keeping the church open	
Holy Week – keep church open through Holy Week	
Let people know who need to know about leaving church door open	
Defibrillator – Positioning of Green Box discussion	
Hall Tables – Neil Quinn: just one line of tables left for Monday morning	ТО
9. Parish AGM – to determine agenda items and the actions needed	
i)Parish Charities – email from PK	
ii)Remaining Parish AGM Agenda – email from PK – open forum	PK to TO
10.Parish Evangelisation – to receive a brief report and discuss an	
update	<u>VMcL</u>
VMcL to send notes from 2 nd March meeting to all members of PPC	
11. AOB –	
a) Choir Concert – 12 May – Choir in Church for Mahola (Catenians)	TO/MK
b) Good Friday – leave in silence – celebrant appeals for silence	Celebrant Friar
c) Churches Together – refugee fund: parishioners are inviting small	TL
contribution to the rent for Syrian Refugee House	
d) Tom to send Volunteer sheet – send template from Portishead to all	TO and ALL
PPC members	
12. Date of next meeting: Monday 13th May – APOLOGIES Sandy/Paul	
Gale	
Opening Prayer and Reflection: Deacon John Woodcock	
Closing Prayer – Fr Reg	

* Re Item 5 above (from Anthony P)

- I/we propose the above on the following grounds ...

 1.The practice is disrespectful to the Eucharist in the tabernacle for people to walk on the altar to change the hangings.
- 2. There is a substantial risk of a fall for the person doing it. This risk increases with the age of the person and the use of an unstable ladder to get up on the altar
- 3. There is an acceptable alternative that solves both issues If endorsed unhappy folk can shoot at the PPC and not Fr Reg!

^{**} Re Item 10 (from TO) As this involves the presence of a guest I suggest that we take this item as the first 'substantive item'