

Minutes of the Parish AGM held on Sunday 28th April 2019 in Greyfriars Hall

Present: Fr Reg Gray OFM (PP), Peter Kehoe (Chair of the PPC), Fr Tony Baya OFM, Fr Antony Collins OFM, Barry Paddington (Chair of Finance committee), Tom Osman (Parish Administrator – Secretary to AGM), Joe and Maggie Norman, Ann Duddy, Anne-Marie Mitchell, Salvadora and Barry Paddington,

Apologies: received from Joe Duddy, Tony Bradley, Neil and Pat Quinn, Paul and Paul Sandy Gale, Anthony Palmer,

Father Reg opened the meeting with a prayer and Fr Reg / Peter welcomed everyone.

1. Request for Notification of any other business. The chair asked that any matters arising from last year – option to raise any issues: none.

2. Introduction to Reports

- comments by Chair of PPC (PDK)

a) passed 12 months – much to celebrate

Thanks to all members of the PPC for work and time put in

Thanks to Friars for being here and ministering to us

Two Highlights of the year 1) Carol Service excellently organised by

Paul Spindler with a real live baby 2) Pilgrimage to Downside Abbey

Coming Evangelisation Projected Days – Jesus' command .. to

spread the Word, Bishop Declan: to evangelise just be a good

neighbour, work for the common good and be able to answer

questions that people present you with about faith.

Clevedon Parish Evangelisation Days: see later

Any offers of help to Fr Reg or another Friar to help the parish

- comments by Chair of Finance Committee (BP)

BP – copies of the Financial Report circulated

a) primary jobs of Finance Team – 1) support parish priests and 2) act as overseers as part of the parish (so to serve our parishioners)

b) the parish is 100% funded by the parish

c) important parts of Report: Jan-Dec 2018. Spent £78,251 Income:

75,485. Compared to 2017: Spent £77,823, Income: £83,369

In the red for 2018 to the tune of about £1000. But relatively

hhealthy situation with balance

d) BP if you have a standing order with Gift Aid, please consider raising that amount in line with inflation. Thank you for your generosity.

- e) Thank you on behalf of the Finance Team and the Friars for your contributions to the offertory and thank you for your contribution to the San Damiano Fund (borrowed £30,000 from Friars) which enabled refurbishment of Sacristy and the Retro Choir. We have repaid that loan completely now.
- f) Letter from Fr Reg about keeping the San Damiano Fund open. Always rebuilding projects on this building coming up
- g) The Hall: run as a separate entity to the Parish. It is self sufficient. In 2018 the maintenance costs slightly exceeded the hall hire income. The main reason is the new boiler installed. Parish contributes to the running costs of the hall
- h) Tribute to Bill Hampton (many years as Gift Aid Officer) We are indebted to his years of service. Grateful to Mary Bradley for becoming the new Gift Aid Officer for the Parish.
- i) Questions:
 - PMurrell: what happens to the money left over in the SD fund? It stays there for future building project.
 - How much left? About £5,000
 - ADuddy: money ringfenced? Diocese takes into account that money for the Diocesan Levy / Share. Should we invest with Diocese? No – due to low interest rates.
 - PKeenan: does the Gift Aid for SD fund benefit the SD account? Yes
- j) see Booklet Report for more details

3. Clevedon Parish Evangelisation Days:

- a) Invitation Mass – 19th May – give cards out to people we know
- b) Street Evangelisation – 13th July – light a candle for a friend and prayer on Hill Road – Seafront as possible alternative from Joe Norman?
- c) Open Church Day – 21st September – invite anybody and everybody with music
- d) Memorial Service for the Bereaved – 2nd Nov (All Souls Day)

4. Announcement of Planned Events

- Harvington Hall Pilgrimage June 2018 – approach Paul Spindler for questions
- Family Day Out to Peter and Mary Kehoe's Garden – 20th July 2019
- Main Christmas Mass Time: Midnight Mass: 10pm
- Earlier Mass is good (630pm)
- Christmas Day: 10am

Suit most people? Yes from the floor

5. Charitable Giving

Planned Giving: This arose from a proposal that as a parish we could and should make a donation to outside the parish. The parish had given a donation of £10,000 over a period of 2 years to Andrew House, for which they have been very grateful. The PPC are seeking the views of parishioners re the size and direction of giving for the next two years.

Charitable Giving Survey circulated by PDK. Completed and handed back or post into the Parish Office door.

7. Discussion of AOB items

a) BP – advert for Welsh Choir coming on 12th May. Tickets available from BP and Joe Norman

d) TO – Heart wall contributions

8. Closing Prayer by Father Reg