

Minutes of a Meeting of Saint Anne's Parish Pastoral Council held at 7.25pm on Tuesday 11 April 2018 in Saint Anne's Parochial House.

Present: There were 10 members present with four apologies.

1. Opening Prayer and Scripture reading: Kieran led the opening prayer and reflection.

2. Minutes of the previous meetings: those of 6 March were approved.

3. Matters Arising

(i) Pastoral Community Forum Meeting Colin/Derriaghy Group - Update

Angelina advised that the group plan to have a more in depth meeting during May.

4. Formation

Living Communion Book – Chapter 2 Pages 24-27 were read aloud. During discussion it was agreed that Parishes need to be attentive to the reduction in the number of Priests and people should be gently prepared for the changes this will bring about. The importance and value of the involvement of the laity was discussed. It was felt that many people are not aware of what is happening in their Parish and consideration was given as to how parishioners can be encouraged to be involved. Reference was made to growing number of people from other countries living in the Parish and consideration was given as to how these people can be encouraged to participate. Fr. Feargal stated that he has an interest in Eastern, Ancient and Oriental Religion and it was agreed that it would be of value to invite representatives to attend a future PPC Meeting to explain the various aspects of their faith. **Fr. Feargal** undertook to contact Monsignor Anthony in this regard.

5. World Meeting of Families 2018

Mary expressed her disappointment at the lack of information available in relation to the World Meeting of Families. Fr. Feargal suggested that this is most likely due to the delay in arrangements being finalised. During discussion it was felt that the Corpus Christi Procession could focus on The Year of the Family, with information being provided through the school children. It was agreed that a commemoration card, from the Parish, should be given to Communicants to mark their First Holy Communion. It was also agreed that consideration will be given as to how the actual day of The World Meeting of Families will be celebrated in the Parish, when more details have been received. **(Mary)**

6. Facilitating Discerning Leadership Programme – Update

Mary and Angelina encouraged others to avail of new dates identified for training for facilitators:- 14/15 May in Dromantine, 17/18 May and 19/20 May in Drumallis. (Names can be added to the sheet available in the Parish Office.) **All**. Mary advised that follow up sessions are now available as they are being held on a Wednesday. **(Mary and Briedge)**

7. Parish Dates to Note

19 May First Communion (10.00am and 12.30pm)

3 June Corpus Christi Procession

19/20 October PPC Retreat Dromantine

PPC Meetings 1 May and 5 June.

It was noted that a social event is generally planned before the summer break and Mary asked that thought be given to possible visits for discussion at a future meeting. **(All)**.

8. Help for Fr. Feargal and Sr. Mary

Fr. Feargal thanked Sr. Mary for the organisation provided during the Holy Week and Easter Ceremonies. Sean stated that car park attendants will be needed to cover the Holy Communion Masses on Saturday 19 May. (**Sr. Mary**)

9. Any Other Business

(a) Uncollected envelopes

Kieran stated that he had been asked to raise the matter of envelopes, at the back of the church, still waiting collection. During discussion it was noted that this is a matter for the Finance Committee.

Date of Next Meeting: Tuesday 1 May 2018. 7.00pm for 7.20pm.
(**Harry** to lead the opening prayer)

The meeting closed with a prayer