

**Holy Family Catholic Church
(Freckleton and Warton)
1 Lytham Road, Warton, Preston, PR4 1AD
Parish Pastoral Council
14 April 2016 at 7.00pm**

Present: Fr Kevin Lowry John Catterall Sally Sutton Peter McGuinness
 Catherine Potter Jane Ireland Bernard Whittle Josie Catterall
 Denise King Linda Smith Caroline Bunce Jan Courtney-Whiteside
 Christina King Bernadette Holliday Tony Holliday Linda Forster (minutes)
 Barry Holliday (late)

1. **Opening Prayer & Welcome:** Fr Kevin opened the meeting by reading and prayer. CP welcomed everybody to the meeting.
2. **Apologies:** Hayley Benyon, Jim Cartmell, Helen McDowell
3. **Minutes of the previous meeting:** agreed as a correct record. New Mass leaflets have been introduced. Coffee after Mass on Sundays successful
4. **Correspondence:** Fr Kevin said there were no items of correspondence to discuss.
5. **Ecumenical News:** Mike Hartley had been licensed as Vicar of Freckleton as well as Warton. There will be an Afternoon street party on the 12th June to mark the Queen's 90th birthday. JCW and BW offered to accompany DK to the planning meeting.
6. **Sub Committee Reports**
 - 6.1 **Administration:** CP congratulated CK on the recent DBS re-check programme. She and others had been surprised how quick and efficient it had been.
 - 6.2 **Communication:**
 - (i) **Website:** HM not present – no report
 - (ii) **Parish Leaflet:** CP referred to the parish leaflet drop by the youth to new houses - this will be organised when the weather improved.
 - 6.3 **Liturgy:** Fr Kevin referred to the items below and thanked everyone that put in so much effort.
 - (i) **Little Church:** still going well.
 - (ii) **Children's Way of the Cross:** on Good Friday was well attended, as was the Palm Sunday service.
 - (iii) **Faith Studies:** the Lenten Scripture reflections had been on the following Sunday's Gospel. Father intends to introduce some more sessions on the Sacraments and on the Vatican II document on the role of the Laity.
 - (iv) **Holy Week:** Father asked if anyone had any suggestions for improvements. None at the meeting, but any thoughts would be welcome. The Easter Vigil is lengthy and perhaps it could be brought forward, but it needed to take place as darkness falls for symbolism of the Light of Christ.
 - 6.4 **Pastoral Formation:**
 - (i) **Good Neighbouring Team:** Communion is being taken to the housebound and the care homes. Notices offering help would appear in the bulletin and posters in the porch. 36 at the last afternoon tea, The trainee vicar from Warton had asked if people could come from St Paul's.
 - (ii) **Confirmation:** Patrick Gardner from the regional CAFOD team was talking to the group tonight.
Ladywell visit: is in June. Rehearsal will be at the Willows
 - (iii) **Holy Communion:** formation is in progress. Will be on the feast of Corpus Christi.
 - (iv) **Year of Mercy:** Each Deanery in the diocese is going on a mini pilgrimage to the Cathedral to visit the Holy Door. Kirkham Deanery will go 22nd October 1.30pm to 3.30pm. Coaches to be arranged.
 - 6.5 **Social:**
 - (v) **Club Day:** Planning is underway. More help would be appreciated. (BH arrived at this point.) Barry will organise a social planning meeting. Social meeting to be held on Tuesday 24th May at 7:30pm.
 - (vi) **Barn Dance:** 68 attended. JI is waiting to hear from BH for future plans.

- (vii) **Sally's Angels:** 7 girls aged 9 to 13. Preferred activity is baking and cooking. Year started in February. A previous member of the group who was now studying fashion and design came to talk to the girls. Future talks include Living Naturally, Living Mercifully, Valuing what we have. Future events include a mini pilgrimage to the grotto followed by a walk and a talk on flower arranging.
- (viii) **Youth:** 18 in the group. A total of 20 went to see "Joseph". There was a pizza and planning meeting for Maundy Thursday. Will be manning the water station at the Freckleton Marathon.

6.6 Future Mass Arrangements:

- (i) **School Mass and Strawberry Fayre:** 3/7/2016. DK asked for help with the parish's contribution.
- (ii) **Celebration of the Holy Family:** 12 August with BBQ.

6.7 **CAFOD:** Good feedback on the "Laudate Si!" reflection. The last Family Fast day amounted to £753.20.

6.8 **Finance:** End of Year accounts will be taken to Deacon Michael Harrison (the Independent Examiner for the parish) next Tuesday: Account no 1 in credit by £19,400.79, 500 Club £2310.73 and building fund £3123.97. The main expenditure had been on the gutters and roof and this had been taken out of No 2 Account, which was now depleted. Large donations and allotment subs are normally paid into this account. Most money was in for the 500 Club. John C said in 2016 had 170 numbers.

6.9 **Property Management:** New booking for the hall (Baby Massage and Infant Yoga) starting 24th May. 3 sessions booked for a Baby Craft event.

Garage roof still needs replacing and JC is looking for a fibre glass roof contractor. Loft insulation complete. Portable Appliance Testing is on 13th May.

Thanks to Bernard and Jim for clearing the reas at the back of outhouse.

Thanks also to Linda and Carolyn for the flower arranging, Gerry Dagger for organising the brass cleaning and also to Marie Britt for all the work she does as sacristan.

Six volunteers for cleaning. Father will look at the provision of keys.

Allotment subs have all been paid.

6.10 **Parish History:** The second Parish History Sheet (First School 1913 to 1953) will be available in the next few weeks. There are three in preparation: Deceased Clergy, Early Parishioners, Personal Experiences at the First School.

7. Any Other Business:

- (i) **November:** day of Remembrance for deceased parishioners 6/11/2016 5pm
- (ii) **Westby:** Contractor for roof repairs has pulled out at the last moment causing a number of problems.
- (iii) **Liturgical:** Fr K looking for children that want to prepare for First Holy Communion to enrol. Also have small group of catechists to prepare the programme. Fr K said it would be a small group.

8. Dates of Meetings: Thursdays at 7pm, Dates of meetings:

7th July, 8th September, AGM to be held on 13th October 2016

9. Closing Remarks and Prayers: Thanks for everything done in the parish and to everyone involved. Father closed the meeting praying the "Glory be".