

Blessed Robert Grissold Parish Pastoral Council

Minutes of the meeting held 17th June

Present: Father Sebastian, Terry Biles, Margaret Collins, Anne Santos, Joe Martin, Dominic Green, Bridie McSorley, Ann Dodd.

1. Meeting opened with a prayer led by Father.
2. Apologies
Godfrey Chesshire, Chris Burleigh, Chris Mitchell, Maureen Carrol, Ian Clark.
3. Minutes and Matters Arising.
The minutes were read and agreed.
The Youth Group meets every Sunday 6pm.
4. Faith Formation
 - Youth Mass – October- date to be agreed.
 - Youth Group – Looking to be more active – Gardening and/or social activity for the elderly were suggested to raise funds.
JM – Thought that the Parish would probably be agreeable to helping to fund an event/outing for the Youth Group in September.
DG – Suggested Soli House.
Father – thought cost would be prohibitive.
JM – Will ask Lesley Ritchie-Yates for suggestions and needs.
There will be no meetings in July and August.
5. Liturgy and Sunday Mass
 - Day of Adoration – Tuesday 7th October – day will end with Benediction at 9pm.
 - Training and Rotas for Altar Servers – James Green will provide a rota of servers.
Joe – will supply a list of altar servers names.
September 14th – Mass for altar servers at St. Chad's.- Dominic Green will take as many as would like to go.
Altar Servers to be enrolled September 7th.
 - Harvest Festival – October 5th People will be asked to bring donations of unperishable foods.
 - July 20th – Mass for the feast of Blessed Robert Grissold.
Gentlemen of the parish are to provide bacon 'butties' for breakfast after mass.
Note to go in the bulletin to ask for volunteers.
 - July 12th – Father requires cakes for visiting Bishop. Margaret and Bridie to coordinate requests and collection.
 - Father will be away for 4 weeks from 6th August to 6th September. He will be visiting India.

6. Finance

Income is down from £14000 to £11900

Expenditure is up from £8000 to £10000

The weekly offertory has gone down but there has been 2 major expenses, the blinds and the overhauling of the lights.

A clearer picture will be seen after the next 4 months.

JM – Queried possible sources of funding for refurbishment of the kitchen.

Anne Santos would enquire who to approach about the Heroes Fund (?) and suggested Godfrey be asked to find out about possible funding from the airport.

7. Charities and Social Events

- Quiz Night – Kathy Jones. Bar – Joe. Food – Chris Mitchell
- Race Night – Dominic O’ Brien Bar – Terry and Dominic. Food – Bridie – pizzas.
- Christmas Raffle – Joe to organise prizes.

8. A.O.B.

- Anne Santos – U3A to set up a group to tidy the grounds on a monthly, voluntary basis.
- U3A would like to donate a wall clock for the parish room.
- A request that there is no applause during the mass.
- Children’s liturgy to be for those children who haven’t made their first Holy Communion.

9. Date of next meeting

Tuesday 23rd September after 7:30 mass.