

**Blessed Robert Grissold
Parish Pastoral Council**

Minutes of the meeting held 14th January 2010

Present: Fr. Arikat, B. Gibbs, M. Collins, M. Carroll, J. McLellan, A. Dodd, C. Burleigh, I. Clarke.

Apologies: J. Gibbs, J. Martin, G. Chesshire.

1. Minutes of the meeting held on 19th November.

Read and approved.

2. Matters Arising

- There was no Mass on December 3rd.
- Invitations for the carol service were completed too late for distribution.
- Parish register now 70 families.
- Christmas Newsletter had been greatly appreciated. Fr. thanked I.C. Ellie to be thanked for her help in producing it.
- I.C. thanked all the people for their contributions.
- M.Carroll asked if article submitted by one of the older parishioners could be included in the next newsletter.
- M. Collins proposed that T. Biles be thanked for providing mulled wine and mince pies for the carol service. Council agreed.
- I.C. requested help to clear up the church after the carol service next year.
- Fr. Arikat to ask finance committee to purchase a projector.

3. Faith Formation.

- First Holy Communion – 1st or 2nd Sunday in June date to be confirmed. 4/5 candidates. Classes are about to begin.
- Confirmation – April 18th 7 candidates. T.Green and M. Peat catechists taking classes. Parents of candidates to arrange refreshments. I.C. to organise photos of candidates in foyer.
- Parish register- I.C. to make a data base so Fr. or A.N.Other can enter the data collected.
- 17th February Ash Wednesday Mass 7:30
- Lenten booklets and calendar to be distributed.
- J. Martin organising families for masses in the home.
- Sacrament of Reconciliation – Fr suggested a period of preparation as exposition/evening of adoration with sacrament of reconciliation.
- Tuesday 30th March 7:30 Service of Reconciliation.
- Maundy Thursday Mass 7:30. B.G. suggested watching until midnight. Fr. agreed providing a time table for watching was drawn up to ensure someone always there.
- Good Friday Service 3pm.
- Saturday Easter Vigil 7:30 pm
- Easter Sunday Mass 9:30am.

4. Liturgy and Sunday Mass

- Alternative Sunday readings have caused some confusion. Readers to confirm with Fr. if alternatives. Note to be placed on rota for readers. Godfrey to be asked to add note.
- Reader to read communion antiphon.

5. Finance.

- No report- financial return has to be done for the diocese by next month. Report ready for next meeting.
- Diocese rejected claim to field by Berkswell Parish Council. Any claim unlikely to be successful – evidence that field leased in return for maintenance by football club and clearly signed Private Property.
- B.G. has sent all Berkswell councillors a letter pointing out the discrepancies and misrepresentations in their newsletter. Copy given to Fr.

6. Charities and Social Events.

- HCPT Coffee evening 22nd February.
- Curry Night 6th February. Tickets on sale Sunday Adults £10 under 12 £8. J. Martin and J. Collins on bar. M.Collins to check on stocking bar. Room to be set up at 4:30. The room is booked until then.
- Women's World Day of prayer. BRG hosting this year's event. Ellie Clarke is organising. Hoped that youth groups from all churches will get together for presentation. Date to confirmed usually 1st Friday in March.

7. A.O.B.

- Fr. had received a letter of complaint about inconsiderate parking. Council felt major offenders were the footballers. M. Collins to draft a letter in reply for Fr.
- J.Mc. and C.B.to recruit more members for the 100 club. Note to go in bulletin.
- B.G. queried length of sick list. Sick list needs to be reviewed. Fr. to place notice in bulletin.

8. Date of next meeting

11th March 7:30 Parish room.