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# **Parish Pastoral Council Meeting**

# 11 October 2022

1.	Welcome: Chairperson Attendance: Fr Manu, Tash Souter, Therese Meyers, Alesia Sala, Louella Walker, Rosanna Samarzia, Shannon Bertram.
2.	Prayer: Diocesan Assembly Prayer
3.	Apologies: Carolyn Ost, John Jarrad, Hans Woznitza
4.	Minutes of Last Meeting (September 2022):
	Accepted: Tash Souter Seconded: Louella Walker
5.	Business Arising from Previous Minutes: •

# 6 Standing Items:

#### 6.1 Reports:

- a) Pastoral report tabled
  - Looking to start the Children's Liturgy of the Word.
  - Sacramental Program -19 children involved. The number of children has increased from previous years.
  - Positive feedback regarding the first session has been received.
  - Feedback will be collated at the end of the program for future planning.
- b) Parish Finance Committee report tabled

Father Manu advised:

- Finance is normal. The church has had a lot of works and expenditure that is now coming to an end.
- Maintenance of the hall will be completed shortly.
- \$30 000 has gone to SA water. This is to prepare the land for sale.
- There have been a several works to complete at Para Hills.
- In relation to the break in, 8 windows were broken as part of the break in; John Jarrad will follow up on this. He is already following up on the hand basin in the toilet for the disabled because it is a special one. Father Manu gave a statement at the Golden Grove Police Station. The windows will be replaced with a similar finish, and an insurance claim will be lodged.
- The Parish will receive a new printer/photocopier as the contract is finished. There was discussion about whether the Archdiocese could enter into a special IT deal for parishes like CESA does. Father Manu advised that Canon has the best option for the Parish.
- c) Liturgy Committee report tabled
  - The Memorial Mass outline has been approved by the Liturgy Committee.
  - Crossroads are to lead the music for the Memorial Mass
  - The Liturgy Planner for the next Liturgical year has been prepared and there are volunteers for Advent and most of January.
  - The O Antiphons are being considered for Advent.

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- e) St Francis Xavier School report tabled
  - Rosanna advised that SFX Family Mass has been arranged for 29 October at SJ23 at 6.00pm.
  - Mary MacKillop Centre at SFX has recently had a mural of 'The Vision' by artist Jan Williamson placed on the wall. This space is designed as a prayerful, calming space for students.

### Gleeson College

#### Alesia advised:

- Gleeson Day Liturgy was held Friday 30th September.
- The reflective liturgy was based on the charism of Archbishop James Gleeson servant leadership.
- Year 7 retreat was based on the theme from Micah, 'Walking humbly with our God' and was hosted by the Year 10 students.
- The Vinnies Winter Sleep-out was a success with money raised for St Vincent De Paul. 5 staff members participated in the sleep-out. 3 soups were made by the students and donated to Fred's Van at Elizabeth.

## 6.2 Correspondence:

Nil

#### 6.3 Child Protection

• No child protection concerns raised or identified.

# 7. New Business:

## 7.1 Diocesan Assembly Parish Representative.

- Carolyn is unsure if she can make the Assembly and therefore the parish requires a replacement for Carolyn.
- Have a brainstorm for a volunteer.

# 7.2 Diocesan Assembly Recommendations.

- Following the submission of the parish's priorities there is an expectation that some planning will be required to develop the strategies to implement them
- The Archdiocese has provided some material to support with the planning and implementation of the strategic plan.
- It is required that we make SMART Goals for our parish recommendations.
- It was agreed that PPC members look at our Parish Priority 2, to further develop strategies and practices for greater collaboration and partnerships between the parish and schools, and began creating the three SMART [specific, measurable, achievable, realistic/relevant, time-bound goals. This is already a strength, which is notable when comparing with other schools. The mutual arrangement of representatives on committees or boards is significant as is the two way communication involving the newsletters.
  - 1. The parish will continue with the **Sacramental Program** as a family faith formation experience that is promoted and supported in/by the schools. The process of continual feedback and improvement will be undertaken strategically.
  - 2. Give a voice to young people/children from the schools in the parish bulletin by creating strategies for collecting responses from the young people/children for sharing in the parish bulletin. Create a culture/routine/system of including their responses, such that the young people themselves will be reading the bulletin, looking for their entries.

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	3. SFX to continue and Gleeson College to begin to coordinate families/young people from their school communities to undertake ministries such as proclaiming the Word, or welcoming, or the procession of gifts, or carrying the processional cross, during the prepared Sunday Eucharist celebrations on a regular basis, possibly once a term each. The last Sunday of the month is 'cuppa' weekend so that becomes an attractive option for timing. Music selection needs to be attentive to being attractive to the younger members of the congregation. Action – To continue to work on the strategic planAnother goal to be explored in the November PPC meeting.
8.	AOB Nil
9	Actions
	<ul> <li>Continue to brainstorm for a replacement for Carolyn to attend the Diocesan Assembly.</li> <li>To continue to work on the strategic plan.</li> <li>Another goal to be explored in the November PPC meeting.</li> </ul>
10.	Next Meeting: 8 November 2022
11.	Concluding Prayer and Meeting closed 8.17pm.