## ST JOSEPH'S & ST MARY'S PARISH ADVISORY COUNCIL

## Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 17th October 2019 in St. Mary's Church Hall

<u>Present;</u> Paul Gallone (Chair), Canon Boardman, Clare Sommerville, Daniel Murray, Trixie Douglas, , Jane Sutton, Mo Misra, Sue Patrick, Liz Reid, Bill Nolan, Anne Chilcott, Deacon Elfed, Joyce Harding

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| 1.Opening Prayer; Canon Boardman  |       |
| 2. Apologies;, Teresa Keating, Martin Price, Mary Taylor                                  |       |
| 3. Minutes of last meeting; 27.6.20119  |       |
| Item 1: MT was to check re DBS for 16 year olds, not MP as stated                         |       |
| Minutes accepted.   |       |
| 4. Matters arising –  |       |
| • Parish website: PG/DM to review: This has been commenced with the list of PAC           |       |
| members and contact emails for the parish being updated. The proposed link to             |       |
| daily scripture is being postponed at request of Canon pending more information           |       |
| from the Bishops Conference regarding 2020 the year 'God Speaks'.                         |       |
| • The water heater in St. Mary's has now been replaced - MP                               |       |
| 5.Correspondence;   |       |
| No correspondence   |       |
| 6.Reports from meetings attended;   |       |
| a) Finance Committee;   |       |
| PG gave report in the absence of MP.  |       |
| TW is happy with the financial position, everything in line with projections for income   |       |
| and expenditure at this point in the financial year.                                      |       |
| There is a query being investigated regarding the billing format for our gas and electric | TW    |
| under the new Archdiocese contract; TW and Canon are to liaise and resolve.               | Canon |
| b) Works:   |       |
| St. Joseph's:   |       |
| The bill for the heating system repair was £3,700 which was less than anticipated.        |       |
| The burglar alarm in presbytery has been repaired.  |       |
| St. Mary's:   |       |
| As previously mentioned new water heater installed  |       |
| An Electrician has been approached to look at the external lights covering the car park   |       |
| which keep tripping.  |       |
| c) Cytun; attended by JH  |       |
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| Keith Howells and Heather Rallis are to take over the Chair jointly for the next year.    |       |
| JH and Teresa Mitchell read at the Induction Service at Stanwell Baptist.                 |       |
| Cytun are hoping to hold the Christmas Day dinner for the elderly and looking for         |       |
| volunteers to assist.   |       |
| Ray Fanning (Trinity) is retiring and Albert Road Methodist Church is due to close in     |       |
| August 2020 and the congregation will hopefully join at Trinity.                          |       |
| The Syrian Family who are housed in Penarth are settling in well.                         |       |
| d) Council of Churches Dinas Powys  |       |
| Canon had received the minutes of the most recent meeting.                                |       |
| With regard to Remembrance Sunday it is Canon's intention to delay Mass at St. Mary's     |       |
| until 11.30 on that day to allow those who attend the civic Act of Remembrance to do so   |       |

| and still attend Mass.   |                    |
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| Christmas: There seems to be confusion over the Christmas Advent service. Canon will ask Mo McCarthy what the proposed arrangements are. Elfed had suggested 9 readings and carols at St. Mary's which would involve all churches in Dinas Powys, he will follow this up.  Other Meetings – None to report   | Canon Deacon Elfed |
| 7. Health and Safety:  The electronic H&S Toolbox for St. Joseph's is requesting checks to be undertaken on the emergency lighting in the church hall. PG will liaise with Don Clarey as to the wording of the query message and will resolve.  Hall cleaning: following a celebration at St. Mary's Hall there were a lot of crumbs left lying on the floor. It is essential that the halls are left clean. In the past there had been a problem with mice. MP/NP to be asked to ensure coffee rota people are aware, JH will put a note on the coffee rota when it is sent out reminding people of the responsibility of leaving the hall clean.   | PG                 |
| 8. Safeguarding: AC had a note from MT re: trying to recruit volunteers for children's liturgy at Penarth. AC said that there did not seem to be a problem in St. Mary's. JS suggested putting a note to parents of children coming to the First Holy Communion classes asking if they would be willing to help out. CS suggested the parish survey forms be reviewed to see if anyone had expressed a willingness to assist.  |                    |
| 9. Social and fundraising: There was a successful quiz night at St. Mary's in July where £190 was raised for the Alzheimer's Society. A Quiz Night is to be held at St. Mary's on 8th November, tickets will be on sale soon at a cost of £2.00.   |                    |
| 10. St. Joseph's School: Canon had said Mass at the school on the previous Tuesday which was a lovely occasion. Laura Taylor is on maternity leave and Natalie Lawrence has taken over. Natalie is keen to attend the PAC as an Ex-Officio to represent the school. It was agreed that this was a good option to keep the Council aware of school issues. Canon mentioned how impressed he was with the new building works at the school.  | Canon              |
| 11. AOB:  CS felt that the Mass for the Sick this year had been very successful. The gentleman she had taken had felt very humbled by the experience. Opinion was expressed that St. Richard Gwyn was an excellent venue due to the space available and the logistical ease of getting people in and out of the building. Further thought will be given regarding the venue for next year.  CS raised the issue of poor take up of after Mass coffee at St. Joseph's. It was agreed that Canon would mention it now and again at the end of Mass. It was also suggested that a member of the congregation could remind parishioners as they leave Mass about this facility; Decon Elfed said he was willing to do this on the occasions he is in attendance. | Canon Deacon Elfed |
| 12. Date of next meeting: Thursday 12th December, 2019 in St. Joseph's Church Hall  13. Closing prayer: Deacon Elfed   |                    |