

St Richard Gwyn Pastoral Advisory Council (PAC)

Annual General Meeting

AGM MINUTES 27.11.2019

1. Welcome and Prayer – Fr. Anthony Nnamah MSP.

Present: Fr. Anthony, Maurice Growney, Barbara Wilcock, Sue Barnett, Margaret Williams, Anne Lloyd, Kay Jones, Geraldine Gilbert, Muriel Silverston, Maria Pizzoni, Halina Burgess and Jo Hillyard

Apologies - Christine Jones and Alice Zulu

2. Minutes of the last AGM were read by Anne Lloyd and accepted by those who were there.

3. Matters arising from the minutes.

Dial-in evening Prayers was well received by those who participated but was stopped because it was not free. Thanks to Margaret Williams for the effort.

Divine Office (morning prayers) within the Weekday Masses started during the Lenten seasons last year. It continued up till date due to popular demand. Intersessions to be included next Lenten season.

Christmas Vigil 2018 was well received but a bit too long due to the different nation's presentation.

Trinity lunch was well attended. Thanks to the organisers.

4. **Parish Constitution** – Available for all. It is not meant only for St. Richard Gwyn. It is the same in different parishes of the diocese. Any amendment can be discussed and three quarters of the PAC must agree to it in order to be revised.

Fr. Anthony reiterated the difference between the Parish Advisory Council (PAC) and the Finance Committee. Each has its own work. There should be no collusion.

5. **Advent Penitential Service** and Confessions to be held the week before Christmas at Sacred Heart, Chirk.

Christmas Eve – Christmas Carols start at 19.30 hrs followed by the Holy Mass at 20.00 hours.

6. **Epiphany Lunch** will be in Llangollen Hand Hotel on 6th Jan 2020 at 12.00 for 12.30. The Price is £10.00 each for two courses, including tea or coffee. There will be a raffle prize.

7. **Christmas Party** for Children / Youth - Feast of the Holy Innocents - 28th December - 11.00- 14.00 hrs.

8. **Parish Levies and Fundraising** – Fr Anthony thanked the Llangollen coffee morning fundraisers.

He gave a statistic of the monthly income from the collections, Gift Aid and direct debit. He also enumerated the running cost for each month/year on Parish Levies, Church Supplies, Insurance, Electricity, Water, Gas, Church/Building maintenance, food etc.

He informed the meeting that the Finance Committee has requested for a general fundraising during the Lenten Season.

9. **100 Club** – discussion met with an enthusiastic response. Each community to run an event and share with all Parishes.

10. **Risk Assessments** – to be completed and documented with record in a central file.

11. **CAFOD Live Simply Initiative**. Maria Pizzoni presented the actions; - . Promoting Recycling.

- Reducing Plastics
- Energy Conservation

A calendar will be created regarding specific items to be donated and a cardboard box will be left for donated items at the back of church.

12. AOB – none

13. Closing Prayer – Fr Anthony.

Date of next meeting Wednesday 19.02.20 at 19.30 hrs