

Minutes of the PAC Meeting held on 6th June 2014

- 1 The meeting opened with a prayer led by Fr Nicholas.
- 2 Present were: Fr Nick, Chris Moore, Ray Rose, Fran Grant, Kath Parry, Gabrielle Stanley and Brenda Ward. Apologies were received from Eddie Wyman and Fran Smallwood.
- 3 The minutes of the last meeting were approved after the amendment to Gabrielle's title to Safeguarding Representative was noted. Chris and Fran attended the last Deanery meeting and minutes are attached. Chris will also attach minutes of Churches Together in Hereford.
- 4 Parish Spirituality: Fr Nick said we hosted Soldier to Saint and about 100 people attended. The Gethsemane Prayer Group has started and about 7/8 people are joining in. Rob Corrigan has agreed that he would be available on a Thursday to meet with persons who are interested in promoting spirituality in the Parish.
- 5 Website: is in place and is generally well received.
- 6 Fete: everything is on track and tickets and posters are now available.
- 7 Parish Registration: Jan Wyman is willing and able to design a database for us. We would need to discuss exactly what we want from the database and maybe investigate other databases.
- 8 Music in the Parish: Tony Hemson is moving at the end of July so we will need someone to provide some musical organisation and/or organ playing by 1 August. Fr Nick has now informed the parish of this via the newsletter but other options will also have to be examined. Gabrielle made the suggestion that 2 or 3 strong voices could lead the singing in the meantime. Fr Nick will get in touch with the Organist Society and we will send our request for a new organist to all the various parishes in the Deanery. Thankfully the PWG are a self-sufficient so they will be able to carry on.
- 9 Parish Update:

Lent and Easter have come and gone and it was felt that the numbers were down a bit on last year.

According to the Archbishop, the Station Mass was the best attended in the Diocese.

“The Light is on” did take place every Wednesday evening, but the only attendance was when it was the Lent Reconciliation Service (which wasn't particularly well attended).

The Angel is now up and running and thanks were extended to Georgina and Jacqui.

Ewyas Harold Chapel has now been sold subject to contract. More details to follow.

There are two people preparing for RCIA.

There are 8 Weddings this year. The First Holy Communicants have made their first reconciliation and confirmations are on track.

The Abbey is hoping to complete the loop system and extend it, thanks a generous benefactor,

Several trees had fallen in the storms, in the graveyard. This has now been tidied up and made secure at some expense. It will hopefully improve grass growing with better sunlight.

- 10 AOB: Gabrielle asked that people asking to be vetted for safeguarding are reminded that she is available to help.
John Wallin asked that we advertise the Historic Society High Town Event on 12 July.
- 11 The next meeting will be on Wednesday 1 October.
- 12 The meeting closed with a prayer at 8:20.