

**Catholic Parish of
St Cuthbert Mayne, Launceston
St Peter's, Bude
and Our Lady of Victories, Callington**

**Minutes of the meeting of the
Parish Pastoral Council held in the
Charles Langdon Room, St Cuthbert Mayne Church, Launceston
on Sunday, 18th November 2018 at 11.22am**

People present: Fr. John Deeny (PP and Chair for this meeting), Valerie Williams (Chair), Kevin Grant (Vice Chair), Deacon Richard Edwards, Kim Kinvig, Catherine Abbots, Bohdan & Rosemary Meeson, Steve Dauncey, Clive Hammond, Lea Deely, Peter Ware, Marcin Misztela and Naomi Davis who took the minutes.

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- i. Fr John opened the meeting with a prayer and thanked Val Williams for allowing him to Chair this meeting being his first with the parish.
- ii. He thanked everyone for attending including the small number of parishioners and said all three churches were well represented.
- iii. He was very pleased to be here in the parish and thanked everyone for their kind welcome.
- iv. Fr John advised the Constitution was out-of-date and needs to be revised and up dated.

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- v. For the time being there will be no changes to the times of the Masses at all three churches but due to Fr John's commitments with the Bishop's Council he may have to cancel some weekday Masses on occasion.
- vi. He thanked Fr Kevin O'Connell for supplying at Bude when his other commitments take him away.
- vii. Holy Day Masses – at present there is not a Mass time in the parish that's accessible to working people, Val Williams suggested they could be in the evening at Callington at 7pm but this could be too far for those who live in the Bude parish.
- viii. It was agreed after a Mass at Bude and Callington there will be an informal meeting with Fr John and the parishioners to raise any concerns they may have including Mass times.
- ix. It was noted more people would attend Sunday Mass at Callington if it was early morning rather than a late afternoon. This would mean the Mass at Launceston would need to have a new time of 10.30am as Fr John must make sure he leaves himself enough time to spend with the parishioners after the Mass at Callington. General opinion seemed to be in favour of changing the Mass time at Launceston to 10.30am.

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- x. Fr John has asked to be notified from each church of any significant events through the course of the year, so a yearly planner could be produced (ie. Stations of the Cross, prayer groups, Harvest and Christmas dinners etc).

- xi. Second Collections will be spread out through the course of the year although certain collections will be mandatory for a specific weekend.
- xii. It was agreed to add to the agenda of the next Finance meeting to discuss gift aid in the parish.
- xiii. There are repairs to be carried out on the roof at Launceston which will be expensive therefore perhaps fundraising should be considered.
- xiv. Fr John advised the finances were being updated therefore a report will be available at the next meeting.

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- xv. More Altar Servers are required in Callington and counters at Launceston.
- xvi. In the new year Deacon Richard will have a day of reflection for all Eucharistic Ministers and will be asking them to become Extra Ordinary Ministers to help visit the sick and housebound on a regular basis.

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- xvii. All cribs are to be in the churches on the 4th Sunday of Advent.
- xviii. Real Christmas trees will be used in all three churches. 2 at Callington and 2 at Launceston.
- xix. There will be collections for Christmas flowers at Bude and Launceston which will be in the newsletter.
- xx. All trees will be blessed by Fr John.
- xxi. There will be a morning of Advent Prayer at Launceston on Saturday, 8th December starting with Mass at 10am, time for quiet prayer, then to the hall to watch a video talk from Bishop Robert Barron on 'The Mass' and then lunch at 1pm. Val has offered to provide the lunch.

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- xxii. Five parishioners are attending the Caritas Consultation Day in Plymouth on Saturday 1st December.
- xxiii. Fr John suggested a six-week programme during lent on 'Love in Action'. Each Sunday either Fr John or Deacon Richard will preach on the subject then during the week or after the Mass a meeting will be held to reflect on what action is needed in our parish. The entire programme could either be at Launceston or split over the three churches but at least one meeting should be at each church either in the evening or on Saturday morning. It was agreed nearer the time the idea will be explained more fully and put to the congregation at all three churches.

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- xxiv. Kevin Grant attended the Consultation Day and gave the following report:
The morning talk was given by Bishop Mark O'Toole and was based on what does it mean to witness as individuals and at parish level. There were several topics to discuss which included how do we witness, do we look for ways to witness and what is the 5year plan. The afternoon talk was again given by Bishop Mark and covered how does our own parish help us to grow in holiness. All comments, discussions and group findings were noted and passed to Bishop Mark who will be forwarding a summary to all parish priests by Christmas.

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- xxv. Val Williams asked for it to be noted how generous the parish was regarding Fr David Annear's Retirement collection. An amazing amount of £2,506 was raised which helped furnish his flat. Parishioners from both Bude and Callington thanked him for all that he had done for their churches.

xxvi. It was agreed at the next meeting to discuss the length of time members have been on the committee and whether the committee is ethnically represented.

As there was no further business the meeting closed with a prayer

The next meeting will be on
Sunday 3rd February at 2pm at either Bude or Callington