

Parish of St Francis of Assisi, Llay and Christ the King, Rossett
Minutes of the Parish AGM
15 September 2011 at 12.30 pm
Parish Hall of St Francis of Assisi

Present:

Canon Lordan – parish priest
Helen Zammit-Willson – chair
Anne Aitken
John Fernee
Carol Wareing
Kathy Home
Eileen Evans
Jasmine Zammit-Willson
Carol Williams
Barrie Williams
Bernard Rawbone
Ashley Rogers
Lorraine Pizzey
Linda Jones
Bethany Jones
Sheila Humphreys-Jones
Hilda Jones
Margaret Thompson
Mary Fisher

Apologies:

Charlotte Hannaby
Derek Hannaby
Judith Done
Geraldine Downing
Chris Pilsbury
Val German
Les Barson

Item		Action
1.	Helen thanked everyone for coming. It was the best attended meeting for some time. It is no longer a PAC committee meeting with members selected by votes, but rather a meeting open to all members of the parish. The focus of the meeting was to talk about parish life. Helen made an appeal for more members of the parish to attend meetings and to volunteer for tasks in the parish.	
2.	Health and Safety representative The parish needs a person prepared to deal with health and safety matters. It was suggested that Mike Smiga might be willing to do this work.	
3.	Hire of Hall From 1 September the parish will charge £10 per hour for hire of the hall. (Minimum charge £20 per session) This would not apply to parish activities.	
4.	Mile of Pennies This collection has raised circa £1,000 in the last year. Thanks to Bernard and John	
5.	Youth Mass It was decided to hold a youth mass on the Feast of Christ the King and on Good Shepherd Sunday each year.	Carol Wareing
6.	Children's Liturgy Linda Jones will be taking charge of the Children's liturgy, which will be held once a fortnight during 11 am Mass at Llay. This is for children who have not yet made their First Holy Communion.	Linda Jones

	<p>Linda asked for assistance from other adults in the parish, to avoid any issues of child protection while working alone with young children. It was suggested that the parents of the children attending the liturgy might be asked to help on a rota basis. Only one parent would be needed at any one time.</p> <p>First Communion Liz Davies will be preparing the children who are to make their first communion.</p> <p>Harvest Mass – 2 October It was suggested to ask for donations of non-perishable food and for the children do undertake the offertory procession at the Harvest Mass.</p>	Linda Jones
7.	<p>A request was made for volunteers to help with counting money each week, as this activity should always be carried out by more than one person. It would also take some of the burden from Margaret Robbins, who does the work at present. (Post meeting note – Carol and Barrie Williams have volunteered – other volunteers are welcome).</p>	
8.	<p>Thanks were offered to Jasmine who composed the AGM report.</p>	
9.	<p>New translation of the Mass Canon informed the meeting that there are sessions available across the diocese to discuss the new translation for anyone who wishes to attend.</p> <p>The parish will begin using the new translation of the Mass in mid-October.</p> <p>It is not intended to buy new mass books at present, as there may be further changes in the future when a new lectionary will be issued based on the revised authorised version of the bible instead of the Jerusalem Bible. Laminated sheets will be available at each Mass for parishioners to follow.</p>	
10.	<p>Questions from parishioners Eileen Evans suggested that it was not necessary for Canon Lordan to read out all the items from the bulletin at the end of Mass. Some objections had been raised at Rossett, as it both lengthens the Mass and makes the bulletin redundant. It is only necessary to draw parishioners' attention to important items.</p> <p>Key dates in bulletin A request was made to have a list of key dates in the bulletin each week.</p> <p>Operation Christmas Child Sheila Humphreys-Jones raised the possibility of having a box at the back of the church for items towards Operation Christmas Child. A list will be available of the items recommended, and the age groups needed.</p>	
11.	<p>The meeting ended with prayers.</p>	