
St Brides Parish, West Kilbride

Minutes of Parish Meeting on Tuesday 28th June, 2022



Present: Fr.Duncan, Paul McNulty, James Montgomery, Pauline&Bob Taylor, Betty Orr, Bob Adams, Maureen Watson, Jim McEwan, Peter McCluskie, Kate Kelley, Paul Corrigan

Apologies: Laura McLean, Danny&Lillian McPake

Welcome

The meeting was opened by Fr Duncan followed by a prayer reading .

The following items from the prepared Agenda were discussed:

In and around the Church

- Maintain garden services by current gardener at a cost of £120pm
Painting of outside wall – John Malone
Outside handrail – Bob Adams
Heater in Sacristy now working
Proposal to install a curtain with heater over the inside church doors. Cost approximately £500
Outside sign displaying Mass times to be corrected.
- Discussion on keeping existing times of midweek Masses at 10am or moving one Mass to 12noon. A vote will be carried out on those attending both services and times amended accordingly. Sunday Mass remains at 12.15
- Candle box broken into, will be removed.
- Parishioners to be encouraged to use the Mass cards in the porch to celebrate the lives of loved ones or friends.
- A special service will be held on Wednesday 2nd November to celebrate the lives of deceased members, friends and family of the Parish. A list of the names will be gathered the week before and read out on the evening of All Souls Day.

Liturgy and Celebrations

- List of special events over the coming year was recorded on the Agenda, special days will be celebrated – St. Bride's Feast Day 1st February, Sunday nearest to the date will have celebration
- Pilgrimage to St Ninian- Sunday 28th August, Parishioners can join bus from Largs or St.Peter's
- Rosary before Mass in October – those present were not in favour as seen as distraction from the Mass

- Advent Booklet – Agreed to look at producing booklets ,similar to those produced a couple of years ago and proved popular. PH to approach Laura McLean
- Children’s Liturgy -Fr Duncan to approach parents to determine interest and participation
- Altar servers and Sacristan’s to be recruited and trained by Paul McNulty
- Readers Rota to continue as is, if not available, arrange with another reader
- Sunday refreshments to continue after school holidays
- Appeal to find musician. P McCluskie advised that he and Joe McAleevy had discussed an alternative which would be further discussed and a proposal put forward.

Social Events

- Family BBQ – dtbc
- Carol Concert - dtbc
- Christmas Dance/Dinner - dtbc

Diocesan Projects

- Synod Very successful, summary of questions and answers now available on St. Bride’s website, copies will be printed and circulated.
- Sycamore. Extremely popular and well attended. Consideration will be given to provide further courses.
- Deacon Kevin Rennie will be ordained on the 1st July in Dumfries. A card from the parish will be sent to offer our congratulations

Bridies Blethers

- Bridie’s Blethers – has proved very popular and contributions have been forthcoming, including articles from some of our young parishioners. Photos of Communion services will be included in the July edition.

2nd July 2022

Phyllis Howie
