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| **Synopsis of Parish Pastoral Council Meeting - Tuesday, 5th June 2018**  **St Joseph & the English Martyrs, BS**  Present: Fr Peter, Fr Carlos, Mike Bowes, Alison Jones, Vincent Micallef, Bertie Napier, Marie Rhodes | This meeting sought to review progress made and action required on areas that regularly come up for discussion, including those raised by parishioners at the AGM in January. Despite a bulletin notice inviting further suggestions/comments from those unable to attend none had been forthcoming.  The PPC has **discussed formation** regularly considering the demand, need, sourcing, methods and distinct groups requiring nurture or support. Discussion was wide-ranging and established sacramental programmes are supplemented by Encounter and other ad hoc events such as Lent talks which continue to offer opportunities for reflection. Consideration was given to how best to facilitate and nurture ongoing support for specific groups and ideas will be explored further. Provision is always reliant on resources and cost-effective methods to support or supplement our current base of enthusiastic catechists have also been explored to extend the range of current programmes.  Ongoing discussions on how best to engage children concluded that all parishioners, but particularly parents, have a key role to play as **good role models through participation to engage focus on the Mass**. However all of us present at mass have to show tolerance as we worship together as the family of God!  **Health and safety issues** are an ongoing topic covering both the Church and WCC and discussion at this meeting focused on issues relating to the Church and how best to deal with them. Procedures are in place at the WCC and reviewed annually by third party contractors.  Discussion took place on optimising **parish materials** to best serve our ever-evolving parish through the website, parish magazine and possible addition of a parish brochure. This would support our continued aim of building links across different parts and groups within our parish wide worshipping community, which remains a high priority. A census will update parishioner data which will be compliant with GDPR obligations and facilitated through the diocese.  The **fabric of the church** continues to be enhanced and clarification on colours has been sought from all parishioners on colours previously used on the ceilings of the altar and body of the church prior to the redecoration of the main vault of the church.  It was agreed papers Young People and the Catholic Church considered at the Council of Priests on 30 May 2018 should be the main for consideration at September’s meeting.  **Next Meeting**   Tuesday, 25th September  AGM – Sunday, 2nd December after 6pm Mass | | |  | |
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