

Attendance:

Fr Regie L, Fr Chadi, Cecil F, Harlane P, Tom G, Blake B, Sidney L, Beato P, Ekhlalas

Apologies:

Eva C, Jude M, Deacon John

Agenda

1. Opening Prayer, Welcome, Acceptance of previous PPC meeting minutes & Follow-up of actions
2. PPC Formation – 30 mins
3. Parish Feast preparation for Aug – 25 mins
4. Parish Survey – 25 mins
5. Preparation for Sep Parish AGM – 25 mins
6. Any Other Business – 10 mins
7. Closing Prayer

Opening Prayer, Welcome & Follow-up Actions

- Cecil F start the meeting @ 7:10 PM, thanks and welcome everyone attending the PPC meeting.
- Fr Regie said an opening prayer .
- Cecil mentioned members who sent their apologies are : Eva, Jude, Deacon John and Fr Chadi. Fr Chadi managed to catch up with the meeting later.
- Agenda was read out and proceeded with follow-up of actions:
 - **Acceptance of the 19th May 2022 PPC meeting** minutes by Blake and seconded by Harlane.
 - **Welcoming ministry** – a welcoming session with Donnie Velasco of the Bishop Bede Heather Formation Center (formerly IFM) was arranged by Liturgy Committee. Members of PPC are encouraged to attend and after the session we can get the volunteers who can be assigned to different masses. Welcoming volunteers will also be assigned to gather the collection during masses and be responsible in placing them in the safe provided to both churches.
 - **Liturgical session** – Blake proposed attendance to Liturgical session will be compulsory to all involve in the Liturgy. Liturgy session for Altar servers is scheduled on 16 July 2022 and for the Readers and Commentators on 23 July 2022. All the sessions will be conducted at St Patrick's church.

- **PPC Formation** – a video session on Renewing the Parish Mission from Formed by Dr Ben Akers and Tim Glen Kowski was watched as the formation session of PPC members. After the video session discussion and reflection on the topic which is highly relevant to our Parish situation. Highlights of the discussion were:
 - Parish should be the center of evangelization.
 - The role of priests in the Parish.
 - The Ministry of Jesus.
 - How to make the Parish a place where people can meet God.
 - Strategies how to invite people back to church.
 - PPC members believe that MQOF has the sign of being an Evangelizing Parish.

- **Parish Feast Preparation** - Fr Regie briefed the meeting on how the Parish Feast will be celebrated this year. It will be celebrated on 21 August 2022 with the 10:00 AM mass followed by multi-cultural program, with multi-cultural dances, program for children, and multi-cultural food to be served free through the courtesy of the various multicultural communities and groups in the Parish. There will be a Novena with Marian Themes starting from 12 to 20 August to be held in some days at St Patrick Church (12 to 14 Aug and 19 and 20 Aug) and in St Michael's church (15 to 17 Aug). It will start @ 7:30 PM except during weekend where it will be included in the evening masses. Parish groups and ministries will be requested to sponsor the novena masses. PPC is assigned on the first day (12 Aug) of Novena. Parish Feast Committee will be formed. Announcements and pamphlets of the time-table to be made by the Parish Team – **Action for Fr. Regie to fup with Parish Team**

- **Parish Survey** – there was a lengthy discussion on how the Parish Survey will be conducted. It was agreed that the main goal of the survey is to “understand the context and status of our Parish”. Sub-committee to formulate the survey questionnaire will be formed and Bro Tom volunteered to head this Survey sub-committee. Target to have the questionnaire done by next PPC meeting – **Action for Cecil**

- **Preparation for September Parish AGM** – Cecil reported that as per Statute of the Parish PPC, we should have the AGM on 25 Sept 2022. There should be at least 30 days Notice prior to election. Nomination will be open to all Parishioners, only the nominated parishioner can vote, 10 parishioner will be selected to form the PPC. It will be a 3 year term and maximum of 2 terms for the elected PPC members. Make appropriate announcements to meet the timelines – **Action for Cecil to fup with Parish Team**

Any other business

- Sidney requested some update on the Raise the Roof Project. Fr Regie mentioned a complete plan of the church was acquired from the Blacktown City Council. Independent engineers are now working on how to make the roof restoration simple. Possibility of having the restoration to be done in stages. The Diocese ask the Parish

to give options on the restoration and present it to Parishioners. It is anticipated that this will be a big project that will require massive fund raising.

Closing Prayer

- The meeting ended at 8:57 PM and Fr Regie said the closing prayer.

Next Meeting

- Next PPC meeting on Thursday – 21st July 2022