

**PASTORAL CO-ORDINATING GROUP MEETING**  
**Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2011**

<b>PRESENT:</b> Fr. Peter	Deacon John	June Blakemore
Linda Nolan	Ann Bassett	George Phillips
John Ballard	Sarah Down	Tom Regan

The Meeting opened with prayer and John Ballard welcomed Fr. Peter both to the Parish and to the Pastoral Co-ordinating Group. Members of PCG introduced themselves to Fr. Peter.

1. **APOLOGIES:** Mary Phillips & Kathy Pope

2. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:**

Justice and Peace: John Ballard reported that the Night Shelter in Camborne and Cosgarne Hostel in St. Austell would not now be open during periods of extreme cold weather but that St. Petroc's in Truro would be open continuously for a whole month. He asked that the minutes should be amended to record this change.

3. **MATTERS ARISING:**

- Ann Bassett requested that a letter should be sent to Hilary Hoskin from the PCG expressing their thanks for the Prize Bingo fundraising evening which raised £124 for the parish.
- Deacon John reported that the new gardener is happy to dispose of the dead flowers from the church in the same way as previously done by Paul Briscoe.

4. **CORRESPONDENCE: None**

5. **JUSTICE AND PEACE**

John Ballard confirmed that all members of PCG had received the minutes of last week's J&P Group meeting. He outlined for Fr. Peter the work of the various agencies for the homeless that are in operation in the St. Austell area and who are supported by St. Augustine's through the work of the J&P Group. He mentioned the forthcoming Conference for the Homeless which will take place in St. Augustine's on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> January. He commented on the good response there had been for the conference held here 4yrs ago. Deacon John mentioned that it was necessary to run through the fire safety procedures and fire exits at the start of the conference. He also mentioned that George Phillips, who programmes the heating timing system each week should be given a week's prior notice of 'one off' events in the church so that he can ensure adequate heating is in place. John Ballard reported to Fr. Peter that the CAFOD representative for the Parish is Angela Alderman and that she is also very involved with anti-slavery and criminal justice issues. He mentioned that although it is good that we do not have a prison in Cornwall, this does mean difficulties for those people who have a member of their family serving in Exeter or Channings Wood prisons.

6. **REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE**

- **Church Heating:** George reported that he has now sorted out the difficulties with the heating system's programming. He confirmed that, as winter progresses, he will adapt the heating times to meet the needs of the church. He also advised that, instead of heating all the peripheral areas, when the small rooms are being used, it is better to heat them using the fan heaters etc that are available in each room. Of course, when a large area, such as the Narthex, is in use it is more appropriate to use the main heating system. Deacon John suggested that another fan heater should be

purchased for St. Monica's room. It was confirmed that both the church heating system and the one in the presbytery had had their annual check.

- **Notice boards:** Tom Regan reported that a new notice board for the Narthex had been purchased and was now in use. It is recommended that displays are changed after two weeks. The need for a second notice board will be reviewed.

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## 7. **SOCIAL MATTERS**

**Autumn Fayre.** Ann Bassett reported that Sewing Group is making its last preparations for the Autumn Fayre on Tuesday and that the final planning meeting for the Fayre is this coming Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> November.

## 8. **ECUMENICAL MATTERS**

Fr. Peter is to be asked by the Mevagissey Churches Together to preach at their annual Christian Unity Service in January. The dates for the Christmas Masses will be sent to the Mevagissey Churches as soon as Fr. Peter and Deacon John have made their final plans. John Ballard mentioned that the next CTSA meeting is on 17<sup>th</sup> November as it was confirmed that Jackie Foster is at present representing the Parish. It was agreed that, as the St. Augustine's representative on CTSA, she should be invited to join the PCG along with Margaret Eustice, both members of the Ordinariate Group as well as being members of our parish community.

## 9. **AOB:** No other Business

Meeting closed with prayer.

**Date of next Meeting: Thursday 15th November 2011 at 7.30pm**  
(date changed on account of Penitential Service on 8th December).