

## **St Mary's and St Paul's Pastoral Council**

### **Minutes of Meeting**

**25 September 2024**

**Present:** Fr O'Brien, Rita Clark (Chair), Justine Docherty, Helen Giusti, Lisa Pearson, Agnes O'Donnell (Secretary)

**Apologies:** Ronnie Boyd

#### **Updates**

- SVDP. Advice being sought on how to support the organisation in the future to be followed up by Father O'Brien
- Carpet in choir loft has been repaired
- Original Baptismal Font project proving to be a long term project. Updates will be provided when available
- Church Garden Door. Alternatives still being explored

#### **Developing the Wellspring Project within St Mary's and St Paul's**

- Parishioner offering her assistance and with proposals for promoting youth engagement within the parish has been rescheduled to the next meeting
- Request for readers at weekend masses resulted in more parishioners coming forward. Additional readers for the Saturday evening mass would be appreciated.

#### **Jubilee Year 2025**

- Guidance awaited on how planning for the year could be taken forward

#### **Communication**

- "Being Catholic TV" paragraph to be created for inclusion in the parish newsletter to outline what and how to access the services provided. Link to be added to parish website
- Caritas group invited to present to parish on the programme including activity in St Mary's and St Paul's parish

#### **Electronic Contributions to Parish**

- Options to be explored prior to the next meeting

#### **Defibrillator**

- Situated in the first confessional box on the right-hand side as you enter the church

#### **Parish Council Box**

- At the back of the church for comments/suggestions. Alternatively email [ppc1846@hotmail.com](mailto:ppc1846@hotmail.com)

#### **Coffee Mornings**

- 10<sup>th</sup> of November. Joint Christmas sale with Fairtrade and Parish Stall.
- 8<sup>th</sup> of December. PPC , Santa's Sausage Sunday

### **Date of Next Meeting**

- Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> of October 2024, 7pm

### **St Mary's and St Paul's Mission Statement**

Our parish of St Mary's and St Paul's Hamilton is a community of faith where priest and people seek to work together to build up a life-giving Christian community that is characterised by prayer, hospitality and mission.

In the spirit of Wellspring we seek to be a welcoming, nurturing, inclusive and caring parish that gathers together at the Eucharist to celebrate Christ's presence among us and, with his help and strength, to continue in loving and compassionate service to others, especially those most in need.