

St Mary's and St Paul's Parish Pastoral Council
Minutes of Meeting 12 March 2025

Present: Fr O'Brien, Rita Clark (Chair), Justine Docherty, Lisa Pearson

Apologies: Ronnie Boyd, Helen Giusti, Agnes O'Donnell (Secretary),

Updates

- Thanks to all who assisted at the Parish Council coffee morning on 2 March. A special thanks to the Caritas students from Holy Cross who came along and were a tremendous help.
- The next Fairtrade coffee morning will take place after both Sunday Masses on 23 March. Fairtrade goods and Easter Eggs will be on sale.
- The Parish Council is holding an Easter Bunny Breakfast (roll and sausage) after both Masses on Palm Sunday,
- Discussion on holding another mid week coffee morning soon.
- Alter Server Training - Carried forward for discussion at next meeting.
- Befriending Group - It is hoped to set up a Befriending Group in the Parish and Justine is seeking guidance on how we should proceed regarding safeguarding etc. The initial idea is to visit parishioners who are unable to get out and about and bring them news of the parish. This would be done in groups of two. Volunteers are needed and if you are interested please call Justine Docherty on 07951 397616 or speak to a member of the Parish Council.
- Replacement Novena booklets – this has been completed.

Communication

- Order of Mass for Children – these have been sourced and are being ordered.

Jubilee Year 2025

- Thanks to the generosity of our parishioners, family and friends, the parish has raised the funds to provide all of the children at Namichenja School with a daily school meal for a whole year. We look forward to receiving updates on the school from Mary's Meals in the coming months

Comments/Suggestions

- A reminder that the pathway gate is open from the car park to Muir Street before all Masses as an alternative to using the stairs.
- Fr O'Brien is trying to accommodate an evening service during Lent.

Parish Council Box

- At the back of the church for comments /suggestions.
Alternatively e-mail ppc1846@hotmail.com

Next Meeting Wednesday, 9 April 2025 at 7 pm.