

*Parish of Saul & Ballee*

## **Minutes from Pastoral Council Meeting**

Date of meeting: Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2015

Time: 7.30pm

Location: Saul Parochial House

**Attendees:** Fr. Paul Alexander, Vivienne McCormick, Geraldine McVeigh, Gemma Sloan, Rachel Hamill, Mary Burns, Paul Fitzsimons.

**Chair:** Vivienne McCormick / **Vice Chair:** Post vacant / **Secretary:** Rachel Hamill

**Apologies:** Anne-Marie Hanvey

**1. Opening Prayer** led by Fr. Alexander.

**2. Adoption of Minutes from Previous Meetings** – 11<sup>th</sup> May & 21<sup>st</sup> September 2015

The minutes from the above meetings were circulated to all members via email prior to tonight's meeting. All were in agreement with the minutes and a proposal was made by Geraldine McVeigh and seconded by Gemma Sloan to adopt the minutes as presented. The minutes were adopted and signed off by the Chairperson, Secretary and Fr Alexander. A copy will be held on file in the Parochial Office and a copy will be published on the Parish website. The Parish notice boards will also be updated.

- **Action:** Rachel Hamill to email minutes to Parish secretary so they can be published on the Parish website.

**3. Matters Arising** –

- **Eucharistic adoration:** Maureen McLaughlin and Harriet Ferguson from the Apostolate joined our meeting tonight to help us organise setting up Eucharistic Adoration within our Parish of Saul and Ballee. Maureen explained that the only dates they had available before Christmas to come to our Parish to deliver the presentation to the Parishioners was the weekend of 28<sup>th</sup>/29<sup>th</sup> November. All agreed we would like to have the Adoration set up and in place before Christmas so we agreed to go with these dates. The key arrangements made after our discussions were; Posters would be displayed immediately advertising the Adoration and the dates for the presentations in all three Churches. The weekend of the 14<sup>th</sup>/15<sup>th</sup> November a notice would be inserted into the Parish Bulletin to notify the Parishioners and again on the 21<sup>st</sup>/22<sup>nd</sup> November. On Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> November there will be a meeting for helpers held in Saul Parochial House at 7.30 pm to make arrangements for the presentation weekend. The presentation weekend for St. Patrick's Church, Saul and St. Joseph's Church, Ballycruttle will be held on the 28<sup>th</sup> / 29<sup>th</sup> November. It was agreed that a presentation would be delivered in St.

Tassach's Church, Carlin on the previous weekend the 22<sup>nd</sup> of November because there is no Mass in Carlin Chapel on the weekend of the 28<sup>th</sup>/29<sup>th</sup>. Rachel Hamill offered to organise the posters and distribute the invitation cards for the presentation weekend in St. Tassach's Church, Carlin. It was also agreed that there would be a post presentation meeting held on the 29<sup>th</sup> November after Mass in Ballycruttle in Saul Parochial house to form the committee and set up a roster of volunteers for the Adoration. It was agreed that the inaugural Mass to start the Adoration in our Parish will be on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> December and the Adoration will begin after the morning Mass and will then run every Tuesday afterwards. It was agreed that the Adoration would be held in St. Patrick's Church, Saul to begin with but once it is established and running well Fr. Alexander said that we would want to have Adoration in St Tassach's Church, Carlin and St. Joseph's Church, Ballycruttle. Fr Alexander said that by Lent 2016 we could have it set up in all three Church's of our Parish.

- **Action:** Posters to be erected in all three Church's
- **Action:** Notice to be inserted in Parish Bulletin
- **Action:** Presentation weekend in St. Tassach's Church, Carlin on the 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov
- **Action:** Meeting of helpers on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> November
- **Action:** Presentation in Saul & Ballycruttle on the 28<sup>th</sup>/29<sup>th</sup> November
- **Action:** Post presentation meeting to set up roster on 29<sup>th</sup> November

**7. Date of next Meeting:** It was agreed that because it took longer than expected to discuss and organise the key dates and arrangements for setting up Adoration within our Parish we would leave the remaining items on our agenda for tonight and schedule another meeting in three weeks time to discuss them.

The date of our next meeting will be: **Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> December at 7.30pm** in Saul Parochial house.