

PPC Meeting, St Mary's, Stonehaven

19<sup>th</sup> December, 2012

Apologies: Jean Greig

Attendees : Fr Gerry, Andrew Forde, Mary Stark, Mary Nelson, David Moss

Opening Prayer,

Review and approved minutes from 29<sup>th</sup> August 2012.

1. Parish Spirituality/New Liturgy/Singing the Mass

- i. FG - Pre Mass payers should continue despite waning interest.
- ii. MN - PPC concerned, in this Year of Faith, that Spirituality is diminishing in the Parish. Are these concerns shared by fellow Parishioners, if so are there any suggestions? Possibilities include
  - a. Franciscan Sister offer a Day of Prayer – during Advent
  - b. Retreats – Pluscarden
  - c. It was reiterated that Parents set an example for children to follow, from Mass attendance to prayerful quiet time during Mass. These issues will be brought up by MN at Ogilvey meeting (Deanery Level)

2. Catechism

- i. Nativity play very successful although poorly attended by **parishioners.**
- ii. First Communion at St James's Episcopalian Church in June, successful, **last year's photos were posted on the webpage. Permission is required to post First Communion 2012.**
- iii. Regular attendance at Mass **and classes** required to **be put forward for any of the sacraments. Parents signed paper to this effect.**

3. Social Promotions

- i. Pre Christmas Sale by Lil Wood and Fay raised £700 for Aids orphan in South Africa
- ii. No Christmas Lunch **organized in 2012**, is there a possibility of a Lunch in early January?

4. Youth

- i. No activities. Parish attempted to sponsor a youth **for the WYD** in Rio de Janeiro Euan Morrison **had to turn it down** due to prior commitments.

5. Fabrics

- i. Bad workmanship on **east and west** walls **of the church**. **Estimates to be submitted for sand-blasting the tower**. Portocabins **to be put at the back of the church to be used as a temporary hall**. **A Grotto to be erected in the garden at the back of the church**.

6. Webpage

[www.stmarysstonehaven.org](http://www.stmarysstonehaven.org)

- i. AF has a source of new photos - Brian H. Watt [www.Stenlake.co.uk](http://www.Stenlake.co.uk)

7. A.O.B

- i. **FG** - New bulletin **editor and compiler** required – **(print new Mass suggested by MN)** and retain Sunday Plus.
- ii. Minutes published on Website

8. Date of next meeting - Wed 16<sup>th</sup> March 2013.

Closing Prayer