

# PASTORAL CO-ORDINATING GROUP

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2009

**PRESENT:**

Fr Robert	Deacon John	Kathy Pope
John Ballard	June Blakemore	Tom Regan
Ann Bassett	Linda Nolan	

## 1. OPENING PRAYER

2. **APOLOGIES:** Jacek Kostuch, Sharon Mileham, George Phillips. Mary Phillips

3. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:** Agreed.

4. **MATTERS ARISING:** *Christmas Cards* – It was generally felt that giving to a charity instead of sending cards to friends seen regularly at church was a good idea. However, this is perhaps a matter for the individual to decide.

5. **CORRESPONDENCE:** *Letter from Janet Regan*

- **Mass Cards** - It was agreed to produce small business style cards giving details of mass times. These could be left out for people, particularly visitors, to pick up and take away.
- **Advent Letter** - Some people have difficulty getting to church regularly or occasionally and would benefit from being offered transport. In the past a letter with a reply slip has been circulated with the Advent Letter. It was decided that a regular slot should appear in the newsletter, at least annually, offering help with transport.
- **Parish Directory** - It was felt that this should be up-dated. John Ballard will review the entries and ask group co-ordinators if they wish to amend their entry and contact groups who do not already have an entry. The parish directory could also be put on the website.
- **Catering** - The issue of safety when carrying hot water was raised. It was mentioned that a suitable hot water jug, with lid was available for use.
- **Tables** – It was agreed to purchase some additional small tables and perhaps dispose of those which may be unsafe or cumbersome.

6. **JUSTICE & PEACE:** John Ballard went through the last J & P minutes highlighting one or two items, including the plight of a venue for STAK. The Advent Giving Tree will focus on local Charities.

7. **REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE:** Tom Regan, George Phillips and John Sanders will be meeting to discuss church heating, with a view to moving this forward and producing a plan to work towards.
8. **DEANERY MATTERS:** June had, at the last PCG meeting, submitted a report following the Deanery Forum and AGM held on 26th September. Three Deanery Meetings are held each year. The dates of the next meetings are:
- 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2010 - St Austell
  - 15<sup>th</sup> May 2010 - Newquay
  - 25<sup>th</sup> September 2010 ( AGM) - Truro
9. **SOCIAL GROUP REPORT:** Fr Robert wished to thank all those who took part in the Autumn Fayre. The sum of £1,170 was raised.
10. **ECUMENICAL MATTERS:** Kathy Pope brought attention to the following:
- Ecumenical Vigil - 4<sup>th</sup> December - 10 pm to midnight, following St Petroc's Carol Service.
  - Advent Meditation – St Blazey - 29<sup>th</sup> November – 6 pm
  - Carols – Somerfield – Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> December.
  - Fr Benedict (Russian Orthodox) will be leading the Blessing of the Waters during Christian Unity Week.
  - Street Pastors – Fr Robert will place a request for help in the parish newsletter.
11. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**
- John Ballard circulated posters asking people to “Put Christ back into Christmas”.
12. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING** - Thursday, 10<sup>th</sup> December 2009.