

**Blessed Hugh Faringdon PPC Meeting  
Minutes 10<sup>th</sup> June 2021**

Our role is pastoral, to support the Parish Priest in furthering the mission of the church.

**Mission Statement**

Nurturing the young people and youth of our parish to ensure that they feel valued members of our community”

Present : Fr Claro Conde, Lorraine Brabin (Chair), Andrew Chell, Clare Cottingham, Audrey Curnock (minutes), Tony Fecher. (Neill Taylor for the first part).

Apologies : Emmanuel Boakye, Mary Hughes.

1. **Opening Prayer** lead by Fr Claro
2. **Matters arising** from minutes of last meeting: all on the agenda .
3. **Arrangements and publicity for full Church reopening 27<sup>th</sup> June.**

All of our decisions are based on a provisional date of the end of restrictions on our lives (21<sup>st</sup> June 2021), so we await the Government advice on this. If there a delay of for example, two weeks, all of our plans will commence two weeks later.

- a) We would like to retain Zoom and Facebook. We are extremely grateful for all the work Neil Taylor has done to enable this, and we warmly thanked him. We would like to ask other parishioners to be trained to learn how to broadcast the Mass **ACTION** : Andrew to announce after mass.
  - b) Coffee after mass: we hope this will start on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> June. We will ask Mairead to start a rota. (Or if she wishes to pass this to someone else, that is also fine). (**ACTION** : Kathleen to contact Mairead).
  - c) At the moment we need to continue to clean benches after church. From 27<sup>th</sup> June we anticipate this will no longer be needed. Doctors within the parish (Lyn Williamson) have advised us that the science has moved forwards and covid is known to spread via aerosols or droplets and not via touch. We are conscious this is better for the environment too. (Sjoerd has suggested this.)
- 4. Outreach, House Masses**
- We delighted that Fr Claro wishes to takes masses to local villages, this is all part of evangelisation and connecting with local Catholics who no longer come to church.
- Dates set so far:**
- Saturday June 19<sup>th</sup> @ 3pm at Mary Poole’s House, Southmore.  
Friday July 9<sup>th</sup> @ 6pm at Clare Cottingham’s House, Buckland.  
Local advertising will be required, eg on local facebook groups, noticeboards.  
: **Action** : Kathleen/Lorraine/Mary/Clare.
5. **The Year of The Word:** Celebrate the Word Winchester Pilgrimage 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> June. See <https://www.godwhospeaks.org/> for more details. It is a celebration of how God speaks to us in Portsmouth Diocese.

6. **Parish Questionnaire:** More to follow after House Masses – we would like to ask local people what they would like to get from church.

**7. Church Hall – protocols, re-opening**

As above, we hope this can re-open from 21<sup>st</sup> June, all contingent on Government policy. It is hoped additional cleaning will not be required. Sue Cole, who does the bookings can now take provisional bookings. **ACTION** : Audrey to email Sue.

**8. Support Group & Parishioners' Contact Details.**

We will obtain Parish Registration forms from the Diocese and issue these at mass. We do need to gain permission to keep parishioner contact details to comply with GDPR (data protection). Using this we will also ask permission to be on an Open Parish Register. Our Sacristan, Denise has asked us to do this as we are a community and need to be able to contact each other. We will aim to give paper copies out at mass of those who agree to be on this. PPC contact details will be on the noticeboard shortly. We need to discuss this with Mary/Anne. **ACTION:** Audrey

**9. Parish Social 4<sup>th</sup> July 2021 from 1pm**

We are delighted that Reggie and Emily have offered to host the garden party. This will be a shared lunch (please bring salads/puddings) and Katheen will organise meats/pig roast.

**10. Parish Youth**

Children's liturgy will re-start from September. **ACTION** : Clare.

We hope to ask young people to a pizza evening once restrictions are over.

**11. Upcoming dates, Sea Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> July**

Andrew advises that there are numerous second collections which we have missed and he will re-start those once we back to normal. We will investigate a contactless machine to make this easier as many of us use less cash now. **ACTION:**

Andrew/Lorraine.

**12. AOB**

Tony has received a form from a consultancy working with the Diocese. Fr Claro asked to see this.

13. We ended with a Closing Prayer