

**Parish Pastoral Council Meeting**

**MINUTES**

Tuesday 20 June 2023, 7.30 pm

St Columba’s Parish Hall Meeting Room

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| **ITEM** | **BY** |
| **1. Welcome, Opening prayer and reflection**  **Acknowledgement to Country** | Fr. Peter  David Hair |
| **2. Attendance /Apologies**  **Present:** Fr. Peter, David Hair, Jennifer Cheal, Amanda Gardiner, Therese Pacey,  **Apologies:** Debra Galofaro, Mirele Farina, Ray Choi | David Hair |
| **3. Minutes of the previous meeting**  Approved | David Hair |
| **4. Business arising from previous meeting**   * Specifications for new laptop agreed. Purchase to follow. * Parish ‘cuppa’ promoted in bulletin and on Facebook. * Dates for PPC meetings and other events added to calendar. | Ray Choi  Jen Cheal |
| **5. School report**   * Report provided | Debra Galofaro |
| **6. Sacramental Program**   * Report provided * Archdiocese is introducing a new sacramental program. AG will attend info/training sessions. | Amanda Gardiner |
| **7. 90th Anniversary Celebrations**   * Report provided * Pictures of the event will be printed and displayed in the church. | Therese Pacey  Amanda Gardiner |
| **8. Sub-committee Reports**  Spiritual Journey – no report  Social Justice / Outreach – report provided   * Feedback from the Aboriginal Mass ‘Walking Together in Faith’ was very positive. There was a real sense of reconciliation. * It was agreed to make a cash donation of $1,000 to the Aboriginal Catholic Ministry. AG will arrange with Vanessa. * Proposal to procure a ‘Yes 23’ banner to show support for the ‘Voice’ referendum. DH will investigate. Need to be careful of messaging. * We could hold a public forum closer to the referendum date providing information and hospitality (pizza & wine). * Fr Peter suggested, and it was agreed, the garden be refreshed with new plants and include totems.   Engagement / Communications – report provided   * Need to put a shout out for new committee members. | Amanda Gardiner  David Hair  Amanda Gardiner  David Hair  Jennifer Cheal |
| **9. New Items**   * Items raised in the recent survey: * Put holy water in fonts (already done) * Add the Confiteor, Gloria and Creed (included as necessary) * Use more inclusive language (the readings cannot be changed but where possible ie. Prayers of Intercession inclusive language is used) | David Hair |