

**Parish Pastoral Council Meeting**

**MINUTES**

Tuesday 12 September 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**  | David Hair |
| **2. Attendance /Apologies****Present:** Fr. Peter, David Hair, Debra Galofaro, Jennifer Cheal, Ray Choi, Therese Pacey**Apologies:** Amanda Gardiner, Mirele Farina (resignation from committee tendered effective immediately) | David Hair |
| **3. Minutes of the previous meeting**Approved  | David Hair |
| **4. Business arising from previous meeting*** Training on laptop is complete and the device is now in use in the church. To improve WiFi reliability and bandwidth it is recommended to introduce a WiFi extender.
* Payment of $1k was paid to the ACM.
 | Ray ChoiAmanda Gardiner |
| **5. School report*** Report provided
* An information evening for parents will be held 11 October. Open to all parishioners. Flyer to be prepared.
 | Debra GalofaroAmanda Gardiner |
| **6. Sacramental Program*** Report provided
 | Amanda Gardiner |
| **7. Sub-committee Reports**Spiritual Journey – no reportSocial Justice / Outreach – report provided* Kitchen Table Conversation has been advertised but needs to be further promoted. Suggest the event be further promoted during each Mass one weekend.
* The Care for Creation banner should be displayed for September (early Oct). Debra recommended it be put up on the school fence.

Engagement / Communications – report provided | Amanda GardinerDavid HairDavid Hair / Amanda GardinerJennifer Cheal  |
| **9. New Items*** A cleaning bee for Church will be held on 4 November, 9am – 12 noon.
* A few items of maintenance will be addressed including:
	+ Reviewing the lifting paneling in the Church and determining remedial action
	+ Lighting in the Church
	+ Painting the outside of the Church and the Sanctuary inside.
* To progress refreshing the garden it was suggested a landscape gardener be engaged. The Aboriginal Land Council could be approached for ideas.
* The need for new committee members is being advertised but no response to date. This will be held over and discussed in February 2024.
* The Pets Mass will be held in the School grounds on 22 October at 9am (combining 8 and 10am masses). Request people bring a plate to share for morning tea. Tea and coffee will be provided.
 | Therese PaceyFr. Smith Fr. Smith Jennifer ChealAmanda Gardiner |