

**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 Choi  Amanda 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 Galofaro  Amanda Gardiner |
| **6. Sacramental Program**   * Report provided | Amanda Gardiner |
| **7. Sub-committee Reports**  Spiritual Journey – no report  Social 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 Gardiner  David Hair  David Hair / Amanda Gardiner  Jennifer 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 Pacey  Fr. Smith  Fr. Smith  Jennifer Cheal  Amanda Gardiner |