

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING
15th November 2010, Presbytery 7 p.m.

MINUTES (Draft)

Present: Nick Weeks (NW) (chair), Richard Arundell (RA), Felicity MacSwiney, (FM), Krystyna Morgan (KM), Mark Shuldham (MS), Fr Thomas, Philadelphia Whittaker (PW) Patricia Coopman (PC), Mike Montgomery (MM)

1. *Welcome*

2. Opening Prayer

3. *Minutes of last meeting (4th October 2010)*

The Minutes of the last meeting, circulated previously, were approved.

4. *Matters Arising from the Minutes of the last meeting not dealt with below*
(b) ... *community links & parishioners who are ill.*

A suitable box was found during the course of the meeting, so it will be labelled as 'Prayer Box' and will be put at the back of the church. Parishioners will be invited in the Bulletin to place prayer intentions in it. Prayers will be asked generally for those intentions in the Bulletin. **Future Action: PC & Fr T**

4. Vision statement. On reflection it was agreed that it would read better if the second bullet point was redrafted. The Vision Statement is now:-

'We, the members of the parish of the Sacred Heart, Tisbury
and All Saints, Wardour, have a vision that we shall:

❖ nurture our faith and love of God through our prayer and sacramental lives

❖ provide hope for the world in the face of failure whilst recognising our own need for forgiveness

❖ live as a supportive and welcoming community, extending God's unconditional welcome to all

❖ proclaim the Gospel to all by our service of others'

It was also agreed that the Statement should be framed and hung at the back of both churches.

5. *Bishop's Visitation feedback*

Fr T read the Bishop's letter of thanks for the visit and said that it had been successful.

6. *Volunteering in parishes*

It was agreed that as a means of taking this forward each member would write a short job description of a job they did for the parish. **Action: All except Fr T**

7. *New Translation of the Missal training days.*

Whilst it was agreed that it would be useful if some members could attend one of the training days, no-one could attend the training day in Trowbridge. It would be helpful if a parishioner who had been to training could be invited to the next meeting. The only parishioner at present known to be going is Mike Lennard.

8 *AOB*

a) Fr T had received a letter from James Scott Clark, a parish councillor, about planning for emergencies, it was rather vague and needed clarifying as to what information was needed. **Action PW to contact Jams Scott Clark for clarification.**

b) Fr T had received a questionnaire from the Diocesan Budget Review Group which he would complete. He explained that the diocesan levy was calculated as a percentage of the offertory collections in the previous year but one with adjustments depending on the number of priests and buildings in the parish,

7. *Date of next meeting*

The date of the next meeting was agreed for **Monday, 17th January 2010 at 7 p.m.**

Agenda items for next meeting

Volunteering in Parishes

New translation of the Missal