

THE MISSION COMMUNITY OF ST PETER AND THE HOLY APOSTLES

St Peter - Wyndham Square
St Thomas - 90 Royal Navy Avenue, Keyham
St James the Less - Ham Drive

MINUTES OF THE JOINT PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

Meeting Date	10 th July 2024
Meeting Venue	St. Peter's Church
Attendees	As recorded in the attendance book
Prayers	Father David opened the meeting with a prayer.
Apologies	Mr. Julian Davies, Mrs. Susan Way, Mrs. Debbie Roscoe, Fr. David Watson
Minutes of last meeting	These were accepted as a true record

Matters arising, not covered by items on the agenda	There were no matters arising
Buildings	<p>St. Peter's: A faculty has been applied for with regard to replacing the sound system. There is an issue with the current system and the sound equipment from Family Fest is being used to give a limited system.</p> <p>A lock on the west door has broken. An engineer has visited, but he needs to speak to his boss in order to decide on the best way to proceed.</p> <p>St. Thomas: The legal situation has almost been resolved, with the vicarage being owned by the Diocese, and when the church was built, it was leased to the P.C.C., with the P.C.C. being responsible for the repairs, it officially has a dwelling place. The 25-year lease is due to run out in 2025.</p> <p>There is a need for repair to be carried out on the windows and the roof.</p>
Finance	See Treasurer's report attached.
Safeguarding / GDPR	There were no safeguarding issues to report since the last meeting. Father David advised that there had been some concern over a member of the congregation who had not been seen for a while. If anybody sees this person, they should advise Father David.
Mission Opportunities	REAL, a messy church type activity was piloted in St. Thomas, in partnership with St. Mark's. 50 plus people came to the 1 st event. This could prove to be a catalyst for a number of things, but the important thing is that it remains as a partnership between both churches, with the worship shared between them. There is a need for volunteers to help with the activities.

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	<p>Sensory Church – This started with a coffee morning for parents and carers. The 1st event did not prove to be as successful as was hoped, but the word is getting around. When the schools return from the summer holiday, Ben is going to contact them for any information they are prepared to give about parents who may be in need of additional support, and to advertise the Sensory Church in the school.</p> <p>Parish Away Day – This is still at the planning stage, with no date yet agreed.</p> <p>Corpus Christi Festival – This went really well, with Bishop Paul being pleased at the outcome.</p> <p>Petertide – It was different this year due to St. Peter’s Day falling on a Saturday.</p> <p>Open day – There were not a large number of people attending, however there has been a lot of positive talk online.</p> <p>School Petertide Concert – It was great to see the school getting involved with the Petertide celebrations this year. Children from the school acted as servers for the service.</p> <p>Food Larder – Some people are taking advantage of what is being offered, but there are some people who are in genuine need. There is a lot of pressure for us to charge for the use of the larder.</p> <p>Baby Basics – Issuing on average 3 bundles a week</p>
<p>Any Other Business: Daily Mass</p>	<p>There has been a daily mass in St. Peter’s since the 1800’s. However, realistically, there could be a time that it will not take place due to lack of cover because of the limited number of clergy that are able to celebrate Mass in St. Peter’s.</p>
<p>Dates of PCC Meetings for the coming year</p>	<p>Wednesday 4th September at St. Thomas Wednesday 6th November at St. Peter’s Wednesday 8th January at St. Thomas Wednesday 26th March at St. Peter’s All P.C.C. meetings to start at 7.00 pm</p>
<p>Blessing</p>	<p>There being no further business, Fr. David closed the meeting with a blessing.</p>

Signed as a true record:

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TREASURER'S REPORT

Following on from the last report, this report will be for May and June.

The first thing you may notice is that the copy of the accounts you have is different from normal. It shows the individual churches, which I feel may be useful, with the total for all 3 churches at the end of each row.

Our total income for the period was £14,320.

£1919 came directly from giving in the 2 churches. In addition to this, the Parish Giving Scheme was £896 plus a further £219 gift aid was reclaimed by the Diocese on our behalf. We currently still only have 9 givers in the scheme. In addition to this, we received a payment of £5682 from the Inland Revenue in respect of our Gift Aid claim for last year, for the donations into the church other than by the Parish Giving Scheme, which for last year was £1,197, giving a total claim of £6,879. Remember this is free money that the church can claim each year. I only received 13 extras forms, so there are a number of people who didn't give me a form for last year, some of which are on the P.C.C., however, it is not too late to do so, as it can be added to next year's claim.

In these months, we received £4,014 from St. Peter's Hostel, which were to pay the bills for the maintenance of the roof area and for the replacement of some of the lights at St. Peter's. In addition to this, we received a donation of £500 towards the purchase of the new lectionaries for both churches which will be required for Mass towards the end of this year.

We received a further £132 in the period from the card reader at the back of St. Peter's.

Total expenditure for the same period was £5,956.

As usual, our major expenses were the utility bills which accounted for £2,105, with an additional £1,705 for insurance. Those are the figures for St. Peter's and St. Thomas and are different to those on the copy of the accounts that you have due to a reimbursement from Plymouth Partnership in Mission for the utilities and for the annual insurance cost.

Graham Roberts 10th July 2024