

**St Teresa's Parish Pastoral Council , Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March 2017  
Meeting in the Parish Hall from 7pm-9pm**

# **AGENDA**

1. Welcome and opening prayer –Fr Jim  
(said by all-the prayer is printed on the reverse of this page)
2. Opening Discussion: St Teresa's Parish 1958-2018- 60<sup>th</sup> (Diamond) anniversary year
3. All attendees will be noted in the minutes

**Business of the meeting:** *Minutes taken by Deacon Willie Hiddleston*

4. Deanery Pastoral Council: Kirkcudbright Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> February from 11am till 1pm
5. Evacuation procedures/rehearsal
6. RCIA/Grow in Faith sessions
7. RCIC
  - a) Deanery Confirmation: Friday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2017 in St Andrew's, Dumfries-Review
  - b) First Communion Day: Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> June 2017 (Corpus Christi)
8. Safeguarding/PVG
9. Improvements: church/hall.
10. Schools news.
11. The Ababa Project and the TEACH programme.
12. Parish children/youth work
13. Justice & Peace issues:  
J&P group, Fairtrade, SCIAF and SVDP
14. Ecumenism
15. Diary dates/events.
  - a) Lenten Reconciliation Service: Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April
  - b) Easter Sunday: Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> April
  - c) May Day Procession: Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May
  - c) First Communion Day: Corpus Christi-18<sup>th</sup> June
16. Suggested dates for future meetings: Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> June and Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2017

Closing remarks, prayer and Blessing (Fr Jim)

**Closing Hymn:** Christ be beside me (words on reverse of this page)

### **Prayer to begin our Parish meeting**

God our loving Father,

Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ said,

“where two or three are gathered together in my name, I am there among them”.

As we come together in His name

make us aware of His presence among us - now.

*(pause for a moment)*

Pour out on us the Spirit of understanding, truth and peace.

Help us to strive with all our hearts

to know what is pleasing to You,

and by your grace the courage to put it into action.

Help us to listen to and respect one another.

Conform our lives to the faith we profess

teaching us the greatness of witness through service

in imitation of Him who came not to be served, but to serve.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

### **Closing invocation and blessing.**

Let us lift up to the Lord our parish community: Hail Mary,.....

Leader:	Most Sacred Heart of Jesus	All:	Have mercy on us
Leader:	Our Lady, Queen of heaven	All:	Pray for us
Leader:	St Ninian	All:	Pray for us
Leader:	St Teresa	All:	Pray for us

### **Closing hymn: *Christ be beside me***

- 1 Christ be beside me, Christ be before me, Christ be behind me, King of my heart.  
Christ be within me, Christ be below me, Christ be above me, never to part.
- 2 Christ on my right hand, Christ on my left hand,  
Christ all around me, shield in the strife.  
Christ in my sleeping, Christ in my sitting, Christ in my rising, light of my life.
- 3 Christ be in all hearts thinking about me. Christ be in all tongues telling of me.  
Christ be the vision in eyes that see me, In ears that hear me, Christ ever be.