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## Minutes of Parish Pastoral Council

### Minutes of Meeting held on the 4<sup>th</sup> September 2014

**Present:** Fr Jim, Deacon Willie, Madeleine Callander, Elizabeth Robertson, Peggy Marshall, Terry Harkness, Joan Smith, John Lawson, Gwen Ferguson and Beatrice Gardener.

**Welcome and opening Prayer said by all.**

#### **Deanery Pastoral Council**

Held on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> July. Only one person from St Teresa's attended. Over all the Deanery were hoping that 8 to 9 people from each parish would attend. We need to look at this for the future meetings and encourage more people to attend. It was noted the July date was a bit late in the year. We discussed the introduction given at the Deanery meeting by Fr William, reflecting on the monastic life of the Deanery.

Priests of the Deanery Visiting other parishes.

W/e of 26/27 July. This was a great success and will continue. We asked if we should have an open door so that people could come in when they wish to light candles and pray. It was felt that this would need volunteers to be willing to be available for this to happen.

#### **Minutes of PPC meeting of 26<sup>th</sup> June 2014**

Minutes of the Parish Committee Meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> June 2014 were read and approved.

Approved by T Harkness and Seconded by B Gardener.

#### **Matters arising from the minutes.**

There were no matter arising.

#### **Safeguarding/PVG.**

John Lawson gave an update. He has had a meeting with Anne Watt (Diocesan Safeguarding Officer). The McLellan Commission is looking at our safeguarding procedure and could contact Parishes randomly. Most people have signed their new PVG's. Fr Jim, Paula and John have a meeting arranged for the 29<sup>th</sup> September. There will be a national meeting on the 4<sup>th</sup> October at the Gillis Centre, Edinburgh.

**RCIA/Grow in Faith Sessions.** Begins at St Teresa's Hall on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October 7pm till 9.15pm  
The Course "Catholicism: The New Evangelisation" DVD by Fr Robert Barron will be used extensively.

#### **RCIC**

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**Development of the Blessed Sacrament Area** Tabernacle has been moved. New interior doors have been installed but still need to be varnished. A thanks goes to Beatrice for making the new liturgical covers for the tabernacle. The heating system in the Church and the Hall will be renewed soon.

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