

St Brigid's and St Paul's Parish Council Meeting 1st June 2022

Response to the Parish Synod report and action points

Communications

1. In the diocese, it was hoped that communication would improve with the new Archbishop.
2. A new notice board close to Crystal Glen to be installed at St Brigid's. This would help engage with the community outside the Church and perhaps lead to a wider range of uses for the hall.
3. The PAC and Liturgy meetings minutes should be available on the Parish website.
4. Website manager Simon Williams to be invited to the next meeting to find ways to refreshing it.

Liturgy

1. Children's Liturgy - enquire if former leaders can suggest new volunteers. Try to contact people who are working in nearby Catholic schools who might be willing to help. The aim is to do this by September.
2. Re-introduce the offertory procession and involve children on Pentecost Sunday.
3. A Family Mass at St Brigid's every half term was proposed once Children's Liturgy operating.

Youth

1. Investigate possibility of appointing part-time Youth Worker.
2. A newsletter reminder that 13 to 18 year olds doing Duke of Edinburgh scheme in Schools or elsewhere would have opportunities to complete the Community Service element with activities in the Church.

Formation

1. Provide training for volunteer catechists and leaders for First Communion and Confirmation Groups.

Leadership

1. An important role of clergy is to enable people to get things going and not necessarily to do it themselves. For example, the Circle of Friends began with a conversation between one parishioner and Fr Matthew.
2. Priests to remind people on the live streamed Masses that there was a welcome for everyone to come back to the Church.

Diversity and Equality

1. Various matters had been raised including the role of women in the Church, the place of divorced Catholics, gay members of the Church, etc. While it is acknowledged that "resolution" of such issues is sometimes beyond the remit of PACs, it is very important to register them.