

## **Joint Meeting of Kilquade and Greystones Parish Pastoral Councils Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2021 at 8pm via Zoom**

**Attendance:** Fr. John Daly, Rachel Kerrigan, Frances Stephenson, Máire Ní Shiodhail, Hugh Clifford, Niamh Dillon, Canon Seán Smith, Tina Bambrick, Theresa Chambers, Elaine O'Brien, Liam McCabe, Victor Megannety, Fr. Gerard Tyrrell and Evelyn Cawley.

**Apologies:** Bill Cassidy.

**Opened** with Night Prayer, the meeting was chaired by Rachel Kerrigan.

**The Minutes** of the last meeting were taken as read.

### **Matters arising:**

- Vast majority of people were delighted to come back to liturgies.
- Hope to return to First Communions and Confirmations late summer or autumn depending on Government and Diocesan recommendations.
- Two Working Groups, 20 First Communion Parents and 20 Confirmation Parents coordinating.
- Approx. 1,000 candidates for sacraments, including balance from 2020.
- Virtual Meeting with parents and children for First Communion last night and Confirmation candidates and parents last week.

### **Presentation of new Pastoral Area Logo:**

- Fr. John gave a very descriptive talk on new Pastoral Area Logo.

### **Building Hope Task Force:**

- The new Archbishop of Dublin, Dr. Dermot Farrell has appointed a Building Hope Task Force. The aim is to support parish communities to undertake a radical renewal, looking to the future with creativity, enabling the Archdiocese of Dublin to act now, so as to give effective witness and service in the years ahead.
- Consultation process only beginning. Questionnaire sent out from Diocese. PPC asked to complete and return to [ppc@greystonesparish.ie](mailto:ppc@greystonesparish.ie) by 7<sup>th</sup> June 2021.
- There will be a lot of changes in the Diocese over the next couple of years.
- We are not replacing Sacristans who have retired. Coordinator for Readers, Ministers of the Eucharist, etc. instead. Sacramental Coordinator, 1,000 families this year.
- DR Model, from maintenance to mission.

### **New Website:**

- Going to launch a new website for Pastoral Area, two parishes, six churches, one community.
- Elaine described work in progress and showed some clips of proposed website.
- Feedback from Service of Light very good. More intimate.
- 4 Channels for Homilies from St. Anthony's, can be viewed later.

- Newsletter - great success with weekly Stay Connected e-letter, started with 47 copies, now 1,800 plus and growing all the time.
- Suggestion to include history of parishes on website, Mass Rock, Mass Path, etc.

#### **Safeguarding:**

- Discussions are ongoing between the Child Safeguarding and Protection Diocesan Office and the Garda Vetting Bureau, with regards to vetting. For the present moment only those who are working directly with children and vulnerable adults will have their vetting applications processed. Máire, Liam and Frances will keep the Joint PPC dated.
- The Vetting lasts for a period of three years.
- The Baptism Teams have new people joining – Elaine will send list for Kilquade to Frances.
- Frances will send Forms of Consent to Elaine for young people and their guardians to complete in advance of the young people appearing on YouTube, etc. for the Sacramental Preparation and Sunday Mass on YouTube.
- Priests of the parish have attended safety training recently, arranged by Diocese.
- Priests are in the process of being Garda re-Vetted by the Child Safeguarding Office in Clonliffe.

#### **Reopening Churches:**

- Tina has phone for booking a place at Mass and Sacrament of Reconciliation for those who are not online.
- Majority were delighted to come back to liturgies. Some are still nervous about attending.

#### **AOB:**

- **Photos:** Please send photo of yourself (head and shoulders only) to [evelyn.cawley@gmail.com](mailto:evelyn.cawley@gmail.com) by next Thursday, 10<sup>th</sup> June (this is for new website).

**Next Joint Meeting** will take place on Tuesday, 8<sup>th</sup> June 2021 starting with Night Prayer on Zoom at 8pm to discuss our response to the Building Hope Task Force.

This concluded the business of the meeting.