

**ST GREGORY'S PARISH – NORTHERN MISSION:
PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday 5 February: 5.30 – 7.00
THERE ARE MANY ROOMS IN MY FATHER'S HOUSE
MINUTES**

Members: Mary Dorrian, Chair; Fr. Troy Bobbin, Parish Priest; Nigel Priest; Deacon Chris Van Gessel; Selina Stanford, Finance Committee; Kate McManus-Green, School Representative; Ryan Matchett.

Apologies: Kate McManus Green and Margaret Carmody.

Welcome: Mary Dorrian

Prayer: Mass at 5.30 in St Raphael's Church

Acknowledgement of Country: *"We wish to acknowledge the Ngunnawal people as the traditional owners and custodians of the land on which we meet today.*

1.0 Minutes of December Meeting (attached) Moved: Ryan **Seconded:** Nigel
Business Arising not covered in the Agenda

2.0 Focus Areas:

2.1 Election of new Pastoral Council members	MD	Parish Council Renewal meeting – 14 February at 7 pm. *Some parishioners have expressed interest. *PPC members will approach other potential members. *Fr Troy will speak at masses. *PPC members are invited to attend the PPC renewal meeting to give a brief reflection on the role of the PPC from a couple of different perspectives. * A welcome and commissioning event (mass/dinner/retreat?) will be organised once new members are in place.
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3.0 General Business:

3.1 Plenary Listening Sessions: Report and follow up session in 2019	TB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comments from the two November parish plenary sessions have been collated and refined for each topic. • The eight topics have been made available to parishioners for further input prior to submission.
3.2 Final Report of PPC 2016 – 2018	MD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Final report was submitted. Discussion followed. It highlights the difference the PPC is making. • To be loaded onto the website and advertised that it is there. • Fr Troy and MD to meet to discuss how best to utilise the information in the report.

4.0 Reports:

4.1 Finance	SS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Financial summary of parish performance 2015-2018 submitted and discussed. • Monthly reports are being submitted. • Fr Troy will remind parishioners to keep up to date with their planned giving.
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4.2 St Gregory's Youth	TB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting last Sunday went well with approximately 13 families – 20 youth attending. Exploring the possibility of running ALPHA Junior or ALPHA Teen. For years 6, 7, 8, & 9. Exploring possibility of relaunching Antioch. This is a peer to peer ministry with strong parish support and parents supervising. For youth from years 9 to early twenties.
4.3 School	KMG	Many events underway to commence the year, including a school mass.
4.4 Welcoming Committee	NP & CVG	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Working quite well. Appreciated by parishioners. Deacon Chris will encourage Special Ministers that it now forms part of their role. Fr Troy will promote the welcoming through a written format.
4.5 Heritage Committee	MD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting held last week re the organisational work for the restoration of St Gregory's church. Three focus areas: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The work: pointing stonework & landscaping. Lorraine Lasker coordinating. History : oral stories. Margaret Carmody Fund Raising. Coordinator required. 10.30am pilgrimage planned from St Raphael's church to St Gregory's church, with talks, displays etc.. Nigel Priest to investigate whether donations are tax deductible.

5.0 Correspondence

5.1 ACU	MD	'Speaking Awesome Words' workshops. These sessions are for lectors and they will come to the parish to present.
5.2 QPRC	MD	'What's Your Story?' project. An invitation to submit a story of the person you believe best represents Queanbeyan. If selected, this will become the face for the Queanbeyan Portrait Mural Project. Margaret Donohue (spelling?) is giving consideration to this project.

6.0 Meeting summary

What has gone well about our meeting today?		N/A
How can we improve?		

Final prayer: Chris van Gessel

Next meeting: Tuesday 5 March

Action items	Status
Gala Dinner: Living the Gospel Today – reimagining our parish communities.	Report has been accepted.
Church Cleaning	Bulletin item to be placed requesting additional volunteers for the roster.

Directions for 2018	Fr Troy to identify an appropriate time in the liturgical calendar to introduce saying the rosary before Mass, and invite a couple of parishioners to lead this.
St Gregory's Youth	'Youth' to be clearly defined within our parish context.

Prayer: Margaret Carmody and Nigel Priest