

**ST. EDWARD'S PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL**  
**Minutes 11<sup>th</sup> July 2022**

1. PRESENT: Father Peter Cryan, Judy Bailey ( Chair ) Maureen Smith, Jean Bell, John Mears, Caroline Mottram.

2. Opening Prayer from Brian Puddicombe

3. Apologies were received from apologies from Lesley, Denise, Steve, and Jean

4. Minutes of last meeting were taken as read.

**5. Our Mission Together.**

After discussing all the charities we might donate to, (having read all their details in the information we had received previously), we did not make a final decision, although Cre8 being in our parish did seem very suitable.

**6. Renewal of the PPC.**

The members were aware of how few are the possible parishioners who feel able to serve on the PPC but there was a need to renew the members of the PPC . After a fruitful discussion a consensus was reached with the proposal that, as 3 of the members come to the end of a 3 year term and others have actually continuously served for longer than 3 years, *the number of elected PPC members would be reduced this year to 6 of which 3 would be open to new nominations for a 3 year term and the other 3 would be drawn from the existing 6 remaining members by their mutual agreement.* This would be for this year and then for the following year, if it is possible, to have 3 more new members elected for a 3 year term. It was decided to put this proposal in the newsletter to gauge reactions to it.

**7. Covid protocols.**

A note will be put in the newsletter to say that masks are preferred, but not essential during Mass during this wave of Covid19, and if people sit too near each other they will be asked politely to keep spaced out.

**8. Saturday night Mass.**

The increased traffic and parked cars from the higher attendance at Macclesfield FC in the new season will quite possibly will clog access to the Saturday 5.30pm Mass. In that case the time of the Saturday Mass will be moved to 6.00pm

**9. Music in church.**

With the traditional reduction of music at Sunday Mass during the Summer break, the organist , Christopher Cromar, will no longer be providing live organ music. Instead music from the CD player will be used as before.

**10. Designated area in the church for wheelchairs and buggies.**

The general feeling was that it was not necessary but the Health & Safety guidance would be looked into and discussed more fully at the next meeting.

**11 Defibrillator.**

There was not time to fully discuss the item raised about the installation of a defibrillator at church. This will therefore be taken up again at the next PPC meeting in September

12. The next meeting will be on 19<sup>th</sup> September at 7 30pm.

13. The meeting ended without a prayer, as our zoom- time had expired.