

## ST ANTHONY'S PARISH CLOVELLY – CENTENARY COMMITTEE

### Report on meeting held at 7.30pm on 4 May 2016 in the parish meeting room.

**Present:** Richard Haddock (Acting Chair), Katy Haddock, Graham Russell, Joanne Russell, Chris Lim, Kim Whyte, Marita Wells, Peter Court, Teresa Englen, Jan O'Neill, Joanne Sutton, David Chuah, Col Blake, Vicki Shirlaw, Elizabeth Eberl, Frances Etherington (new member)

**Apologies:** Fr Pawel Kopczynski (on leave until 1 June), Arlie McHatton, Helen Taylor, Jim Taylor, Michele Bennett, Carlie Rohanna, Sue Stivala, Nada Luskic

Joanne R's report of the second meeting of the Committee (held 31 March 2016) was formally adopted without amendment - it had been emailed to those attending (unfortunately hard copies had not been made available to the parish generally, because of Joanne's absence). Joanne agreed to include some kind of 'action list' in future meeting reports.

Committee noted that any decisions taken at this meeting were contingent on Fr Pawel's approval when he returns. Committee also recognised that it was important not to 'celebrate the Centenary before the Centenary', because of the dangers of confusion and exhaustion!

#### **Spiritual activities:**

- Fr Pawel has yet to do a tentative schedule of the spiritual events he would like to have from June 2017 to June 2018.

#### **St Anthony's School:**

- School Secretary Mary Wheeler has the list of contacts from the school's 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary.
- School is still getting together the archival material used for the school's 90th anniversary.
- Staff have offered to form a committee, which will be chaired by Kim.
- Kim will try to set a tentative date for the proposed Open Day at the school.

#### **Communications/Publicity**

- Joanne R has posted reports of the committee's first two meetings on the parish website.
- To maintain awareness amongst parishioners, monthly centenary snippets should be put in the parish bulletin, starting on St Anthony's Feast Day 13 June 2016 (Joanne R).
- Joanne S is keen to set up a Facebook page, where people can share stories and photos – she has had experience of organising a school reunion using Facebook. Committee agreed to this, but on the basis that posting is by invitation only.
- Ex-students could possibly be reached through the alumni newsletters of the various secondary schools – Col will design an A4 sized advertisement – Katy will help with wording.
- **LOGO:** Col Blake circulated his proposed design for a logo, which he had shown to Fr Pawel before he left; Committee generally liked the design and asked Col to develop it further with regard to:
  - Having a more recognisable image of St Anthony in it (eg one showing the saint with the Christ Child) – JR will send Col the one used for the unofficial parish letterhead – Committee agreed to use an image of St Anthony rather than one of the church.
  - The colour – Committee agreed that it would be good to use the school blue – Kim will advise on exact colour specification.
- Once we have a logo, it will be used on the Facebook page, the church notice board and other places where the Centenary is advertised.
- Committee agreed that it would be good to have a 'pull-up banner' for use in the church foyer to advertise the Centenary; Vicki will donate this; Col will design it.
- Committee agreed that children's input would be better used on commemorative items such as tea towels, rather than the logo.

### **History/publication**

- Col has agreed to be Chair of this sub-committee.
- Long-time parishioner Jim Taylor will give his historical material to Joanne tomorrow.
- Need to meet soon with Gary Trompf, who will be writing the history, to show him what we have and to find out what he needs; Fr Pawel has still to contact him.
- Michele Bennett will start on making videos of current and past parishioners (eg Jim Taylor) telling anecdotes etc, when she finishes her current work – Joanne S to liaise with her.
- Vicki McLachlan (school librarian) has volunteered to interview school grandparents about their memories.
- Storage of the archives together in a suitable place was a difficult issue – Vicki and Joanne R will talk to Fr Pawel about it when he gets back.

### **Displays**

- Displays could focus on themes eg marriages, First Communions, and show changes over the years.
- Joanne R had brought some of the parish photographic archives to the meeting; Elizabeth and Vicki agreed to go through the archives with Joanne R.
- At least the most significant photos should be digitised.
- Kim has not yet sourced the photo boards used by Marcellin College.

### **Social events**

- Committee agreed that it would be good to have
  - a big family style lunch/early dinner in the spring/summer of 2017; and
  - a more formal night event eg dinner dance, in the autumn/winter of 2018 – Vicki will ask Carlie and Mark Rohanna for ideas about this.
- Possible venues for major functions:
  - Auditorium of Little Sisters of the Poor – Teresa will enquire about availability and cost (& offered to pay the cost).
  - Clovelly Bowling Club (where Fr Connolly's Jubilee lunch was held) – Teresa will enquire.
  - Randwick Labor Club (where school had the 90<sup>th</sup> celebration).
  - Waverley College new building – Col will enquire.
  - Marcellin College ??

### **Fundraising**

- We need to work out what costs we need to cover by fundraising.
- Selling wine with special centenary label – Fr Pawel to make enquiries.
- Fr Pawel dinner parties – to be further discussed with him.
- Katy will ask Joanna Haddock to come to next meeting to tell us about her fundraising using commemorative items.
- Teresa is having a 'garage sale' and will donate the proceeds – publicising this may encourage others to do the same.
- Mini-Vinnies at the school are having a cake stall after the Family Mass on 14 June and this may also give ideas.

### **Perpetual recognition**

Apart from ideas mentioned last meeting, sandblasting of the glass doors in the church with a Centenary message was suggested.

### **Other ideas**

- Vicki suggested using Google Drive to do our event planning.

**Next meeting: Monday 27 June 2016 at 7.30pm in the parish meeting room**

**ACTION LIST**

Fr Pawel	Tentative schedule of spiritual events over the year
	Arrange meeting with Gary Trompf re history
	Enquire about possible source of centenary wine
	Discuss fund-raising dinners further
Kim Whyte	Chair school sub-committee
	Tentative date for Open Day
	Get together archival material from school
	Find out about display boards used by Marcellin College
	Notify Col re details of official school blue
Joanne Russell	Minutes of meetings and posting on parish website
	Send alternative St Anthony images to Col
	Go through/organise parish photos with Vicki and Elizabeth
	Do 'centenary snippets' for parish bulletin from June 2016
	Discuss archive storage with Fr Pawel
Col Blake	Chair History sub-committee
	Continue developing Logo using other St Anthony image and blue
	Design A4 advertisement for college newsletters (contingent on logo)
	Design Pull-up Banner (contingent on logo)
	Enquire at Waverley College about function space
Vicki Shirlaw	Go through/organise parish photos with JR and Elizabeth
	Talk to Carlie and Mark Rohanna about dinner dance
	Discuss archive storage with Fr Pawel
Joanne Sutton	Set up Facebook page (contingent on logo)
	Liaise with Michele Bennett re interviews and filming
Teresa Englen	Enquire about LSOP auditorium, Clovelly Bowling Club
Elizabeth Eberl	Go through/organise parish photos with JR and Vicki
Katy Haddock	Liaise with Joanna Haddock about commemorative items
	Help with wording of Col's advertisement