

ST ANTHONY'S PARISH CLOVELLY – CENTENARY COMMITTEE

Report on meeting held at 7.30pm on 24 July 2017 in the parish meeting room.

Present: Fr Pawel Kopczynski, David Chuah, Peter Court, Elizabeth Eberl, Richard Haddock (Chair), Katy Haddock, Vicki Harding, Chris Lim, Arlie McHatton, Jan O'Neill, Carlie Rohanna, Graham Russell, Joanne Russell, Gloria White, Kim Whyte

Apologies: Col Blake, Sally Davies, Linda Heavener, Nada Luskic, Joanna Nash, Mark Rohanna, Sue Stivala, Marita Wells

Joanne R's report of the 8th meeting of the Committee (held 8/5/2017) had been emailed to Committee and hard copies put out at church.

1 Opening Mass held Sunday 21 May

- Richard congratulated all concerned with the Opening Mass on 21 May, which had been highly successful and enjoyed by all who attended.
- David circulated a statement of Donations and Expenditures associated with the event. This showed net expenditure of \$12,172 to date, with main expenditures being for the catering (\$9,000), tea towels (\$5,000) and *Catholic Weekly* lift-out (\$2,500). The wine had been donated by Fr Janusz, banners by Vicki and display screens by the Digges family. We still had a few dozen of wine left, and many tea towels – the latter can be sold at the school fete later this year, and also possibly offered to Franciscan parishes. Committee agreed to offer the wine, tea towels and charms after Masses about once a month, targeting those weekends when school families would attend – Gloria and Katy will arrange.
- Committee agreed that a hard copy album of the photos taken by Scott Nash should be compiled as a permanent record – Elizabeth and Vicki will look into doing one through an online service. Liz will also put the photos on a USB stick for retention in the parish archives.

2 Spiritual events

Retreat in Holy Week 2018: Fr Pawel had met with the Franciscan who will give this retreat and they had agreed that it would be based on the Sacraments.

Closing Mass: Fr Pawel has arranged that this will coincide with Confirmation by Bishop Richard Umbers on Wednesday 13 June 2018, the Feast of St Anthony.

Pilgrimage to Italy and Poland 15/5 to 2/6/2018: This is looking likely to go ahead, and Fr Pawel will have final itinerary and price soon. There will also be a Powerpoint presentation giving background material about the places to be visited and associated saints. The original itinerary has been modified by making fewer overnight stops. The tour company is Cosmos.

Fire-Up Ministries talks: Nothing further on this – Fr Pawel will follow up.

Priests coming to say weekend Masses: Bishop David Walker will come on the weekend of the school's centenary Mass in early 2018. Arlie will follow up Fr Matthew Digges, who also agreed to come one weekend (both are from Clovelly).

Stations of the Cross: Graham suggested that we recognise the centenary of our Stations of the Cross, which were erected on Good Friday 1918 and donated by the Denison Millers for the safety of their son in World War 1. Fr Pawel agreed that we could mark this on Good Friday next year.

3 Perpetual recognition

Stained glass windows: The six windows concerned are three on either side of the church nave at the front. Fr Pawel had met with the artist in Poland and was pleased with her designs and technique. When he receives the final drafts, he will put them on display and ask for donations. Commemorative plaques will be placed underneath rather than being part of the

design. The artist will come early in 2018 to install them. Transport is being provided free by a Polish trader. If all goes well, consideration could be given to doing the rest of the windows.

4 History/publication

Videos of long-standing parishioners: Michele Bennett had filmed interviews with Jim Taylor and Elizabeth Burke. However nothing has been heard from Michele since – Richard will follow up.

Display in church foyer: Elizabeth will continue with this, liaising with Joanne re snippets.

Snippets: Joanne is continuing to put snippets in the parish bulletin – she and Liz will try to coordinate snippets with foyer display.

Publication/DVD: Joanne is working slowly on this, but has not been able to liaise much with Col, who is going to do the design. She has written 19,000 words so far, but still has much to do. Joanne showed the book published by Epping Parish, who had their centenary in 2016 – the publication was the final centenary event, and included a record of the other events.

Commemorative plaque: Graham suggested that we erect a sign/plaque at the front of the church showing a time line similar to that published in the *Catholic Weekly*. He will draw up a design.

5 St Anthony's School:

School fete: Kim reported that a school fete would be held on Sunday 22 October (probably) from 11am to (say) 3pm. This would allow parishioners to attend after the 10am Mass – some adjustment of parking will be required. This would be a child/family orientated event. There would be no historical display. As mentioned above, we can sell tea towels and charms, but not wine.

School Centenary Mass/Open Day: The main school centenary event would be a Mass at the beginning of Term 1, similar to the parish's Opening Mass, but more child-focussed; Bishop David Walker has agreed to be principal celebrant. There would be a historical display, and open classrooms.

6 Other events

Family lunch in Centennial Park: Committee agreed to drop this idea and concentrate on the school fete and school Mass/Open Day as family events.

Dinner dance: Committee agreed to organise this for Friday 6 April 2018 if possible (the Friday after Easter). Mark was looking into venues and costs. Committee agreed that Catholic Club at Lidcombe was too far away!

<p>Next meeting: will be in September/October.</p>

ACTION LIST

Fr Pawel	Follow up on stained glass windows
	Follow up on Fire-Up ministries
	Follow up on pilgrimage
Kim Whyte	Coordinate school involvement
Graham Russell	Draft design for commemorative plaque
Joanne Russell	Minutes of meetings and posting on parish website
	Research/write parish history; liaise with Col
	Continue 'centenary snippets' for parish bulletin
Col Blake	Liaise with Joanne re history publication/DVD
Mark Rohanna	Investigate venues/formats for dinner dance 6/4/18
Elizabeth Eberl	Put up displays in foyer (liaise with Joanne R)
	Photo album of 21/5 with Vicki
	Put photos on USB drive
Arlie McHatton	Contact Fr Digges re visiting for weekend Masses
Katy Haddock	Arrange selling of tea towels etc with Gloria and Joanna
Joanne Sutton	Administer Facebook page
	Investigate venues/formats for dinner dance 6/4/18
Michele Bennett	Film further interviews with parishioners?
Richard Haddock	Coordinate Committee
	Follow up with Michele Bennett re videos