

# MALAHIDE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

## Minutes of meeting of 7<sup>th</sup>. April 2011

**Attendance:** Charlie Farrell, Fr. Peter Briscoe, Fr. Paul Thornton, Sr. Margaret, Jo Morris, Bob Rooney, Pauline Lynch, Joe McDonnell, Daphne Greene, Regina MacCarrick, John Lynch, Jean Houghton.

**Apologies:** Joan Reynolds, Dan Lucey, Oliver Whelan.

**Correspondence:** “The Traveller”, newsletter from the Parish of the Travelling People.

## Agenda

**Focus group for four Parishes working together;** The meeting of all members of the four Parish Pastoral Councils on 24<sup>th</sup>. March in Portmarnock was well attended. This was a getting to know each other meeting. The next meeting of all the members of the four Councils will take place on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup>. May at 7.30 pm in Portmarnock when each Parish will do a ten minute presentation of the activities of their branch,

**Prayer:** Pauline led us in prayer. Daphne will do the prayer next month.

**Parish Centre Update.** Report given. It is hoped to go to tender early next week. The name of the successful builder will be submitted to the Diocese for approval. The Church restoration will be completed shortly.

**Holy Week Ceremonies;** Preparations are well under way, there is an offer of help from the Council should the Liturgy Group require it.

**Parish Activities; Justice & Peace Kiran Project;** Students from Pobal Scoil Iosa are going to Kiran in the Autumn. Sangeeta from Kiran will be in Malahide on 6<sup>th</sup>. May, she will speak at Masses in St. Sylvester’s and the Sacred Heart Churches on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup>. May. There will be a fundraising dinner on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup>. May which deserves support.

**Any Other Business:** Concern was expressed regarding the proposed changes to the teaching of Religious Education in schools. Write to Anne McDonough and ask for guidance and clarification.

**Parish Retreat:** Give some thought to the format for this.

**Cemetery Ceremony:** Sunday 12<sup>th</sup>. June. Mass in St. Sylvester’s and Sacred Heart Churches and Prayers and Blessing in the cemetery.

**New Roman Missal:** Diverse points of view expressed, study this further when more information available.

**Suggestion Box:** Proposed idea of suggestion box at back of Church where comments could be placed anonymously or with contact for reply.

**Next meeting 5<sup>th</sup>. May 2011.**

