**MINUTES OF THE PASTORAL COMMITTEE MEETING HELD @ 7PM ON THURSDAY, 27 FEBRUARY 2020 IN THE MICHAEL KENNEDY CENTRE AT MATER DEI CATHOLIC CHURCH.**

Attendees:

Michael Fernandes, Fr Isidore, Anne Melrose, Michael Eather, Lucy Mitry, Marguerite Derrig, Nina Milazzo, Lorraine Bobosevic

Apologies: Sonia Riley, Paul Watson, Wendy Eather

1. Welcome given by Michael Eather @ 7.05pm
2. Opening prayer given by Fr Isidore @ 7.08pm
3. Minutes of the previous meeting read by all & accepted by Lucy Mitry and seconded by Anne Melrose.
4. Principal’s report (Anne Melrose)

**Mater Dei Parish Council Meeting - Principal's Report**

**2020 Sacrament Schedule**

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| Sacrament | Parent Information | Sacramental Mass |
| **Confirmation** | Wed. 18/3/20  5.30pm Library | Wed 27/05 - 6pm |
| **Eucharist** | Wed 22/7 /20  5.30pm Library | Sat. 12/9/20  6.15pm  Sun. 13/9/20. 10am |
| **Reconciliation** | Wed. 16/9/20 5.30pm Library | Wed. 11/11/20. 5pm |
| **One Parish, One Family celebration parish primary schools**  Mater Dei and St Raphael’s Combined Mass and picnic day. Booked in for Thursday 22/10/20  **Christian Leadership Opportunities for Year 5 and 6 students**   1. Pope Francis Award -Mentors -Mary Clare Ebbs and Allira Lucchitti 2. Mini Vinnies- Sarah Barr   **Building Project**   1. Phase 1- construction new senior student toilets and Year 6 classroom. (finished  April 2019) 2. Phase 2- extension of original classrooms (K-2) and refurbishment of infants toilets.  December 2019- March 2020   Cost: SCS  $1.5m School $300 000.   1. Planning-costing to replace tiled roof on K-2 building | | |

1. **Parish** Ministry Co-Ordinator’s Report (includes Parish Priest’s report & Youth Ministry Co-Ordinator’s Report.) (Michael Fernandez)

* Parish Priest update for MD Parish Council Meeting 27/02/20 (since 7/11/19)
* Ecumenical Remembering Service at SR
* Our Parish website has received a new design.
* Finance talk given by Frank Walter at Mater Dei
* Walk with Christ (24th Nov)
* Solemn Inauguration of OLPS shrine 10am mass followed by refreshment (8th Dec)
* Novena to Mother of Perpetual Succour commenced 11th Dec then every Wednesday at 7pm
* Mater Dei School Graduation mass (17th Dec)
* Catechist Sunday mass (2nd Feb)
* Received third candles stand to be placed in front of Our Lady of Fatima statue in the MD church foyer
* Replaced lamp in the MD church projector as it reached its replacement date
* A month later projector went faulty due to another reason and has been sent for repairs. A temporary replacement project has been currently set up
* Update from Youth Ministry Coordinator, Natalie Prego, Hi Michael not much of an update, unfortunately not a lot of the year 9 students have been coming back but it is early in the year.
* Update from Paul Watson: I will be doing the acolyte meeting soon for the upcoming

1. Easter Services Lenten/Easter program

* Paul Watson will be arranging the Easter program for the acolytes.
* A group from St Rafs are starting a Lenten program tonight (27/2/20) and Lorraine Bobosevic will be starting a program at Mater Dei from 5 March 2020 for 5 weeks.  Anne Melrose will advertise in school bulletin.

1. Parish Dinner Dance– Doltone House – Theme “masquerade” - date June 12th  or 19th  (will be confirmed)

* Committee for dinner/dance to meet and discuss.  First meeting 18 March 2020.
* Michael Fernandes will contact St Rafs members (Sharon Saab, Kelly and Carl) to join committee.

1. Replacement Secretary in the absence of Wendy Eather

* Lucy Mitry will help until Wendy resumes role or new secretary appointed.

1. Safeguarding/Security at Church

* Fault in side gate which was buzzing constantly.  Now being attended to.
* Posters regarding safeguarding are placed around parish.
* Urgent matter - appoint an electrician and install camera/monitor around grounds to ensure father’s safety.

1. Parish Calendar & other items from previous minutes.

* Working on Easter program
* Discussion of possible All Saints/Souls day morning tea/program to bring awareness to parish regarding the true meaning of Halloween.

1. General Business:

* Question was raised regarding future combined parish council.  Father confirmed these will occur during special events.
* Discussion for children’s liturgy to continue.  Anne Melrose suggested year 5/6 students would benefit greatly from running the program however they will require an adult present.

Meeting closed: 8:30pm

Next meeting:  7 May 2020

Thursday @ 7pm at Mater Dei Michael Kennedy Centre.