

## Notes from St Michael's Parish Council Meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> March 2009

**Present:** Mgr Jim Overton, Peter O'Brien (Chairman), Tom Farrell, Ceri Tolley, Maureen Meek  
Adrian Pavia, Les Cordery, Betty O'Brien, Helena Cross (minutes)

**Apologies:** Anne Bulfin, Siobhan Edgar, Maggie Laurence, Amy James, Helen O'Grady, Shenda Holmes.

1. Minutes of last meeting agreed and signed

2. Pauline Year – event in May. The Pauline Icon will come to St Ignatius of Loyola Church, Green Street, Sunbury on Wednesday, 6 May at 8.00pm for a service to celebrate the life of St Paul. Fr Dermot Power will preach. This will be followed by a reception in the St Ignatius parish hall. This will be for all the parishes in our deanery: Ashford, Shepperton, Staines, Stanwell and Sunbury.

3. Welcome event for new parishioners. This has now been delayed until September as Mgr Jim will be away during April. Fr Martin Pender will look after the parish in his absence.

**Action: The Parish Life sub-group to organise the event; Shenda to provide any necessary information.**

4. CRB checks. A reminder that **all** parish volunteers must be advised that a CRB check is necessary if they have any contact with children or vulnerable adults.

**Action: All relevant coordinators**

5. AOB

- All parishes of the Western Deaneries are invited to attend a farewell Mass for the Cardinal on 1st April 2009 at 7.30pm in Ealing Abbey. The Mass will be followed by a reception. Anyone interested in attending should let Mgr Jim know and also if they require transport.  
**Action: Mgr Jim to announce at all Masses**
- Finance Committee. LC advised that, having had a quote for £5,800.00, the refurbishment of the kitchen in the Parish Hall will go ahead. This sum also includes new shutters. It is hoped that the work will be completed before Easter and CT, of County Carpets, very kindly offered to donate some new flooring as this had not been included in the quote. The work should not affect the use of the Hall.
- St Michael's News. Members of the Parish Council were reminded to provide Julian Game with any copy for the next edition of the St Michael's News by 22<sup>nd</sup> March.
- Help will be needed moving chairs into church for the Easter services. AP offered to help.
- JO advised that the heating in the church simply cannot cope in very cold weather due to the vast space to be heated and the fact that the church leaks heat. LC advised that there may be some areas which could be insulated.

**Action: LC to review where insulation could be used**

**The next Parish Council meeting is on Tuesday, 5 May 2009 at 8.00 pm.**