

ESCC Council Meeting held at 17, St Francis Square, Victoria.
13th October 2014 at 16.00

Present: Audrey Pace, John and Veronica Grech, Adele Debattista, Karin Brayshaw, who chaired the meeting.

Apologies: Tessa Bicker, Fr Loreto

The Meeting opened with a prayer.

Minutes of the last meeting were read, corrected, approved and signed.

Matters Arising:

Availability of minutes currently on hold; discussion to continue at next council meeting when Fr Loreto will also be present.

Sale of books donated by seminary will resume during coffee break after mass when books are located (check under the stage).

Karin gave John a 10 euro donation from a parishioner to be entered into the general fund of the church.

The potluck event at the Vassallo's went well. 112.23 euro was raised, topped up to 500 euro for the Guatemala mission (see Treasurer's Report).

Correspondence:

No correspondence over the summer.

Treasurer's Report August 2014	
	Euro
Income	
Cash in hand	1507.89 +
Offertory	655.90
Over Potluck Supper	112.23
TOTAL:	2,276.02
Expense	
Stipends	165.00
Honorarium	45.00

Bulletins	15.00
Donation Guatemala	500.00
Flowers & Card	17.40
TOTAL:	742.40
Balance end 31/8/14	1,533.62

Treasurer's Report September 2014	
	Euro
Income	
Cash in hand	1,533.62 +
Offertory	413.49
Collection Guatemala	247.30
Collection Iraq	202.13
TOTAL:	2,396.54
Expense	
Stipends	150.00
Hosts	10.00
Bulletins	12.00
Gift (plant)	3.50
Iraqi Donation	202.00
Guatemala Donation	500.00
TOTAL:	877.50
Balance end 30/9/14	1,519.04

Any Other Business:

Mass Stipend for Priests raised to 15 euro, and 10 for co-celebrant.

Donation approved for feast of St Francis of 250 euro.

Ideas for giving.

Audrey will check with social services for local family in need.

Karin will place notice in bulletin requesting written suggestions of worthy charities, to be submitted by end of November.

Mass intention.

Karin will put in bulletin suggested offering amount of 10 euro.

Advent Retreat.

Audrey will work on securing a venue: Manresa or St Augustine.

Audrey will speak to Fr Chris about leading the Retreat (like last year).

Microphone. No improvement with the sound. A closed loop system would likely require a new sound system. Discussion to be continued at next meeting with Fr Loreto.

Eucharistic Ministers' Renewal. Mandate expires soon for both Karin and David. Fr Loreto.

Date for Bishop to celebrate Mass. Fr Loreto.

Mass at Cemetery on November 5th. Fr Debrincat is the celebrant. Important to get the grave numbers so we can pray there.

Noticeboard replacement. The old one has deteriorated and for now we are using a looseleaf book for notices and sign-up sheets. A magnetic board was suggested. Two issues: durability and storage space for board. Karin will put notice in bulletin; suggestions welcome.

Worship and liturgical norms.

Fr Loreto will be asked to address dress code and norms (standing vs kneeling).

Karin will put reminder in bulletin about turning off/putting on silent mobile phones during Mass.

Music. Visiting singer, Sighle Hill, here until the end of November. She will try to find some to play piano or organ, perhaps once a month. Marcel will be coming this month and will play guitar.

The next meeting is Monday November 3rd at 16.00.

Meeting finished at 5:20 with a prayer.

Signed

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