



**St James  
The Apostle**

**St James the Apostle Parish**

**Parish Pastoral Council**

**Monday 13 February 2023**

**Agenda**

**Members:**

Fr Jude Pirotta mssp (Parish Priest);

Fr Silvio Bezzina mssp (Assistant Priest)

Geralyn McCarthy (Chairperson)

Jenny Fenech

Angel Hartanto

Kevin Lloyd

Russell Menezes

Stacey Fernando

Beatrice Silva

Felix Choo

**Apologies:** Dc Royden D'souza

**Prayer** – Fr Jude

**Minutes** – Felix

**Website Review Catch Up** – 7.30 – 8.00 pm (Reggie and Vi)

The Parish Council welcomed Reggie and Vi who are new volunteers to update the parish website. They provided an update on what they have done so far. We thanked them for their service and willingness to step up into this role.

Stacey has kindly offered to work with them in regards to the website.

**Business Arising:**

- PPC Photos for the Parish Website

PPC Members will provide headshots for display on the Parish Website.

- Parish annual report

An annual Financial and Ministry report will be distributed to all parishioners in the week of the Parish Feast of St James.

This annual report would provide information to the community from the various ministry coordinators.

***Fr Jude will organise a sub-committee to do this.***

- **Review of Stewardship Campaign**

The results from the Parish first stewardship campaign were very encouraging.

## **Parish Priest Report: Fr Jude**

*Fr Jude spoke about the faith sharing group initiated by the Young Paulists (for people 18-35 years of age)*

Mission23 was a great success. The participants have returned and will be speaking at all masses on the weekend of 25/26 Feb 2023.

Ally and Caitlin (Mission23 Participants) will speak at Thomas Carr on International Women's day 8th Mar 2023.

Fr Jude also spoke about the various activities happening in our Parish that help reinforce and rejuvenate parishioners' relationship with Jesus.

Fr Jude affirmed Fr Silvio's meeting with lectors and commentators.

The Sinulog Feast (the Filipino event) resulted in over 1000 people attending mass that weekend.

Fr Jude spoke about a successful start with our schools for 2023. He welcomed the new Principal of St James Primary School, Ms Andrea Richards; Acting Principal for St Francis of Assisi Primary School, Mr Ben Fahey; Acting Principal for St Clare's Primary School, Ms Jane Martin and the Foundation Principal of our new Parish school, St Teresa of Kolkata Primary School, Ms Robyn Kelly; The Acting Principal for Thomas Carr College, Mr Jamie Madigan.

Fr Jude spoke about the forthcoming safeguarding webinar aimed at clergy and parish leadership on Wed 8 Mar 2023, 3-4pm via zoom.

Fr Jude also spoke about the Virtual Lenten series which will be made available on our Parish Bulletin starting 28 Feb.

Sunday School – Volunteers have come forward to discuss a program for children (primary school age) An invitation will be put to the volunteers to meet with the parish council next month.

***Felix to make contact.***

## **Finance Report: Angel**

No further comment from PPC.

## **Ministry Report:**

The Youth Ministry is going well under Red's leadership

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## **Child Safety Report: Geralyn**

No meetings so far this year.

Geralyn suggested training another person to run inductions, etc.

### **New Business:**

1. Planning for Bishop Martin's Pastoral Visit in March

A program has been put together and the visit for Bishop Martin will be rescheduled at a later date in the year.

### **Next Meeting**

Monday 13 March at 7.30pm in the Parish House

**Prayer:** Felix

**Minutes:** Russell