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| LOCATION: Parish ZoomTIME STARTED: 19.00 TIME FINISHED: 21.00 |
| **Present:** Fr Michael Sheehan, Angela Brady, Maire McGrady, Kristin Neeson, Ollyn O’Neill, Pascal McCulla, Niall Cullen, Patrice Mahon, Martin McLaughlin, Aidan Walker |
| **Apologies:**  |
| Item 1 **Opening Prayer** |
| Martin |  |
| Item 2 **Minutes of Last Meeting**  |
|  Notes of Discussion | Action/s |
| Amended minutes of March meeting agreed.  | Aidan to arrange loading to website |
| Item 3 **Easter Services Update** |
|  Notes of Discussion | Action/s |
| Fr Michael briefed the members on all the services held over easter including the Parish Hall and the Carpark services. The members thanked & congratulated Fr Michael and Fr Sean for the immense work and attention to detail which was very much appreciated. | N/A |
| Item 4 **Arrangements for next Zoom Event**  |  |
|  Notes of Discussion |  |
| Martin gave an update following contact he made with the Holocaust Educational Trust (HET). He had agreed outline arrangements for a speaker to present to our parish on 14 June. The members asked Martin to firm up the date with HET and arrangements will be put in place to advertise the event to parishioners. | Fr Michael to upload Trocaire Zoom Video link to website.Martin to firm up plans for 14 June speaker. |
| Item 5 **Ideas for Parish Renewal/Recovering post Pandemic**  |  |
| Notes on Discussion |  |
| The members discussed their experiences and engagement with Mass and the Parish during lockdown. This included the online Mass experience, service content and attendance. In particular there was discussion on how the language of the Mass excludes women. It was agreed that Fr Michael would ensure that both he and Fr Sean would use the word ‘us’ in the creed instead and in place of ‘for us men’. Fr Michael also stated that he would speak to the readers to ensure that references only to man/men were made more inclusive of women.There was also discussion on how people have felt excluded/unwelcome by the Church generally. It was agreed that future meetings would discuss ways to ascertain opinion in the parish and how to address these issues.Members also discussed some of the perceived barriers to future attendance post lockdown and possible ways to attract parishioners back to mass whether their non-attendance is Covid 19 related or not.Some possible ideas were discussed including Robert Barron’s “Word on Fire” initiative. It was agreed that this needs to be an ongoing debate and could involve research before progressing. | Fr Michael to speak to Fr Sean and readers about the use of language. |
| **Date of Next Meeting** |  |
| **Monday 24 May 2021 7.00 – 9.00pm** |  |

Chairperson’s signature Date

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