St. Aidan's Joint Parish Council and Finance Committee Meeting June 8th 2022 at 7pm in St. Aidan's Church Hall Minutes

- Present: Fr Sean, Bernie L, Claire C, Pat A, Alison R, Frank G. Julia F.
- Apologies for Absence: Charmaine F, Sheila C, Pat S.
- Opening Prayer
- Parish Finances Update:
- Current Income: £27121; Outgoings: £25101.

• Update on Presbytery

The builders are on schedule and expect to finish by mid-August. The Diocese have advised that the planned works include energy efficiency measures which will give an energy rating of D for the property which meets current legislation for renting. We agree to follow the Diocesan advice.

- Minutes from Meeting on 15.2.2022, Matters Arising & Items identified by Fr. Sean not on the Agenda
 - 1. The minutes were agreed.
 - 2. COVID precautions. It was agreed that:
 - a) The use of masks in church should be voluntary, though hand sanitising should still be required on entry to church.
 - b) Readers no longer need to sanitise their hands, however, Eucharistic Ministers should continue to wear masks and sanitise their hands.
 - 3. It is hoped to restart refreshments after Sunday Mass in the near future.
 - 4. A new projector will be fitted soon, enabling improved viewing and the removal of the existing projector, wires and green tape.
 - 5. Hopefully the work on the men's toilets will be sorted soon.
 - 6. More interest has been shown in booking the hall.
 - 7. The secretary appointed to support local parishes is no longer available.
 - 8. There will be a Vigil Mass at St Aidan's at 7.00pm on Tuesday 28 June, the eve of the Feast of SS Peter & Paul.
 - 9. St Stephen's School have restarted attending weekday Mass at St Aidan's.

Jesmond St. Mary Partnership Since our last meeting, JSM Partnership has shared the Lay Forum's Final submission for the Synod to Bishop Robert. See below.

For the Diocesan final submission, see:

<u>Hexham-and-Newcastle-Synod-final-submission.pdf</u> (diocesehn.org.uk)

- A.O.B. There was no other business.
- The meeting closed with a prayer.



Date of Next Meeting: Wednesday, 20 July 2022