

Hello! This is a note, and questionnaire, from St James' Parish Pastoral Council (the PPC)

In our new parish booklet, which will be available soon, Fr. David has said that: "we need a community where we feel we can put down new roots and have a sense of belonging".

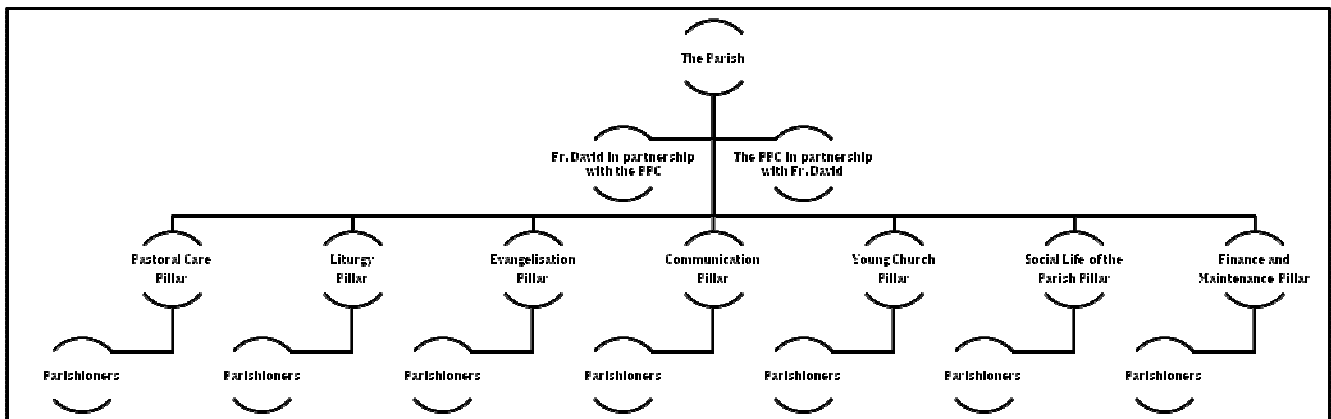
In October 2015, as part of this ethos, Fr. David established the PPC **to work in partnership** with him to help care for and develop our parish. Since then we have been working hard to support the on-going work of the parish, learn about what we need to do in the future, and consider how best to achieve our aims.

Our mission is to: 'work together as a team to support the mission of Christ within our parish, discern strategies to build a vibrant, inclusive Faith Community, and include and involve the whole parish in response to these needs'.

We have 15 members:

- Fr. David
- Nigel Longhurst (Chair)
- Joseph Molloy (Deputy Chair)
- Sue David
- Michele Smith
- Michelle Wilson
- Clare Wakefield
- Audrey Ducoulombier-Wright
- Andrew Prifti
- Austin Barradell
- Mary Hutchinson
- Mary O'Mahony
- Kenneth Chan
- Suzy Paris
- One replacement member is due to be appointed shortly and also
Liam Keane (Secretary to the Committee)
Pam Lundy (the PPC's mentor)

To support the Parish effectively, the PPC organises its work within 'Pillars', and Pillar leaders work together, and with parishioners who are not members of the PPC. Here is the basic framework.



The PPC's members currently working within each Pillar are:

- **Pastoral Care:** Fr. David, Clare Wakefield, Liam Keane
- **Liturgy:** (Currently) Fr. David, Clare Wakefield
- **Evangelisation:** Sue David, Ken Chan, Michelle Wilson
- **Communication:** Andrew Prifti, Nigel Longhurst
- **Young Church:** Suzy Paris, Michele Smith,
- **Social Life:** Audrey Ducoulombier-Wright, Mary O'Mahony
- **Finance and Maintenance:** Fr. David, Austin Barradell, Joseph Molloy, Nigel Longhurst

We would like to invite you to help us and we need a wide range of skills.

So if you can help with any of the activities or skills listed in the questionnaire overleaf, we would love to hear from you!

Please "tick the boxes" if you can help and return the completed form to the parish office no later than 31st July.

Can you help the PPC, and our parish, with any of these activities or skills?

Please tick the boxes if you can help

The Liturgy Pillar is seeking:

Readers	
Eucharistic Ministers	
For the Choir- Instrumentalists – guitars, piano, violin, flute, organ, percussions – other instruments.	
Dance – choreography	
Drama – actors, mime	
Flower arrangement	
Art – Photography, paintings, collage	
Sacristans	
Children's liturgy	
Altar servers	
Cleaners	
Tellers	
Welcomers	

The Pastoral Care Pillar is seeking:

Counsellors	
Social workers	
Bereavement care – adults/children/young people	
Addiction counsellors	
Spiritual mentors	
Listeners	
Housebound pastoral carers	
Hospital pastoral carers	
Spiritual directors	

The Evangelisation Pillar is seeking:

Anybody who likes to talk about and pass on the Catholic Faith to others? (The person can then choose which group works best for him/her.)	
Anybody who has a particular faith topic/ area that they would like to share with others? (c.f. Lenten / advent programmes speakers)	
Anybody who knows someone who has a particular faith topic/ area that they would like to share with others? (e.g. if you know someone who can speak in Lenten / advent programmes)	
Anybody with IT skills that will organise/facilitate a central document depository for catechistic work.	
Anybody who is skilled / keen to work with secondary school age young people. (11 - 15)	
Anybody who is familiar with a member of another faith who they feel would like to discuss their beliefs in order to develop our understanding of their faith.	

The Communication Pillar is seeking:

Social media skills	
Website design skills	
Graphic design skills	
IT skills	
Anyone with professional communication skills	

The Social Pillar is seeking:

People who like people and can create an atmosphere of trust and collaboration.	
People who can organise and coordinate events.	
People who value other groups' contributions and can create a cohesive network under the social Pillar umbrella.	
Bakers /cooks	
Crafts people for decorations and/or activities with children.	
Anyone with communication/marketing skills for posters and events.	
Socially inclined people who can mingle and help set up events.	
People with DIY skills	
People with a background in events.	
Bar Staff	

The Finance Pillar (Property Development Group) is seeking:

As full time Committee members:	
A Mechanical and Electrical Engineer to advise on M&E management and procurement.	
A Building Surveyor to advise about buildings' fabric and procurement of repairs.	
As periodic advisers for specific items of work	
Anyone with fundraising skills	
An Architect – to advise on materials, aesthetics and assist with the preparation of plans.	
A Landscape gardener / keen gardener to advise on and develop an overarching strategy and a maintenance regime.	

The Young Church Pillar is seeking:

Anyone interested, or skilled, in youth work.	
Anyone interested in the arts: *art, drama, dance, modern music, social media (<i>*please circle those that apply to you</i>).	
Anyone who could present information about their own job or career.	
Anybody who is skilled / keen to work with primary school age children (5-11)	
Those working/experienced in areas of *youth offending/substance abuse/social care (<i>*please circle your area of experience</i>).	

The Parish Office is seeking:

Secretarial skills – especially minute taking	
Computer skills	

Once you have "ticked the boxes", please complete the information requested below and return the completed page to the parish office by **31st July 2017**. Some roles will be subject to DBS checks.

Thank you!

Name:.....

Email address:.....

Home address:.....

Phone number:.....