

**MINUTES**  
**CARINA PARISH SOCIAL JUSTICE GROUPS**  
**HELD TUESDAY 3 July at 7PM**

Present: Henry (Chair), Paul, Marie, Shayne & Peter

Visitor: Jenny

1 Minutes of Meeting of 5 June 2018:

The meeting accepted the minutes of meeting of 5 June 2018 as a record of the meeting,

2 Queensland Community Alliance:

No further action at this stage.

3. Articles for Parish Newsletter:

Notice re NAIDOC week published in Spread the Word on weekend of 30 June/1 July and a further article has been provided for publishing on the Weekend of 7/8 July 2018.

4. OLOG Website and Notice Board:

Members noted advice that the parish now had a redeveloped and improved webpage and Henry suggested all members visit the webpage to familiarise themselves with it.

Action: All members to have a look at webpage and report back their opinions to the August meeting.

5 Communication Strategy:

No change in the status of this item. Henry will come back the Group when he has something to discuss.

6 Social Justice Networking with neighbouring Parishes:

Paul and Henry attended an event organised by St Peter & St Paul Parish Bulimba Social Justice Group and took the opportunity to network with other social justice groups present.

7 Membership of Parish Social Justice Group:

Shayne will report further later in the meeting on a Parish Expo to be held on 28/29 July 2018 which is designed to assist parish groups promote their ministry in order to attract additional membership.

8 Family and Domestic Violence:

The meeting agreed to look at organising an event on family and domestic violence in November 2018,

Action: Peter to check with parish secretary to see if a suitable date is available during November to undertake this event.

9 Social Justice Group's Program for 2018:

This matter will be finalised once we have advice re an event on family and domestic violence can be organised for at Masses during a weekend in November 2018.

10 NAIDOC Week 2018:

An article announcing NAIDOC Week 2018 was prepared and inserted in Spread the Word on the weekend of 30 June/1 July 2018. The following has been prepared to recognise and celebrate NAIDOC Week 2018 at weekend Masses on 7/8 July 2018.

- An article for Spread the Word for weekend of 7/8 July 2018;
- An introduction at Masses on 7/8 July that includes an "Acknowledgement of Country";
- Two Prayers of the Faithful;
- Parish has been asked to have the Aboriginal and the Torres Strait Islander Flags placed adjacent to the Altar at Masses on the Weekend of 7/8 July 2018

11 Australian Bishops Social Justice Statement 2018/19:

The theme of the Australian Bishops Statement 2018/19 will be on "Housing affordability and Homelessness". More planning for Social Justice Sunday which takes place at Masses on 29/30 September will be undertaken closer to the event. Henry advised the launch of the 2018/2019 Australian Bishops Social Justice Statement would take place on Wednesday 12 September 2019 at 7pm for 7:30pm start and indicated that He and Paul will attend the launch. Henry invited other members to attend the launch also if they were available.

12 Dominican Thai Orphanage:

Shayne reported that Fr Alex was planning to run a fundraising collection over the next couple weekend Masses for the Orphanage and planned to take any monies donated with him when he visits the orphanage in the near future.

13 Multicultural Saturday 2018:

Jenny attended the meeting as the Social Justice Group was interested to find out if a Multicultural Celebration was again to be held in October 2018 similar to the one held in October 2017. Jenny advised that she was still to have a conversation with Fr Alex but a lot of work was involved and it was getting more difficult to get support and assistance from the various ethnic groups in the parish.

Jenny suggested that it might be good if the parish made a point of acknowledging different ethnic groups that are members of the parish community from time to time and thank them for the contributions they make to the life to the parish. This could be done by the Priests from the Altar or by those who welcoming us at the start of Mass each weekend. The Social Justice Group was supportive of this idea and thought the appropriate committee to look at this was the Parish Pastoral Council of the Parish Liturgy Committee.

**Action:** *Jenny will keep the Social Justice Group informed of the outcome of her discussions on the matter with Fr Alex.*

14 National Homeless Persons Week 2018:

Nothing is planned for 2018 as far as we know but Paul will liaise with the local St Vincent de Paul Conference at a later date to see if something could be planned for August 2019 and placed in the Social Justice Groups calendar of events for 2019.

15 Parish Expo 28/29 July 2018:

Shayne spoke about the proposed Parish Expo to be held at all Masses on the weekend of 28/29 July 2018. He advised it was proposed to set up tents and tables for all parish groups outside the Church on that weekend and have handouts provided by all the groups available to give to members of the parish community who showed an interest in joining one of the groups.

He said that it would be good if members of the Social Justice Group could staff their table at each of the Masses. The following arrangements were agreed to:-

- \*6pm Mass Saturday 28 July 2018: Peter or Shayne;
- \*7am Mass Sunday 29 July 2018: Peter or Shayne;
- 9am Mass Sunday 29 July 2018: Paul;
- 5:30pm Mass Sunday 29 July 2018: Marie

***\*Please note Shayne and Peter will liaise as to who attends the 6pm Mass and who attends the 7am Mass.***

16 Safeguarding Children:

Henry tabled the Volunteers Safeguarding Pack provided by Carmen Kee from the Parish Safeguarding Team and it was discussed. Issues raised included:-

- Does Shayne need to complete any documentation as he already has coverage and has undertaken training as a paid employee of the Archdiocese;
- The above also applies to Peter but he ceases as a paid employee of the Archdiocese on 20 July so will probably need to complete this pack;
- Marie is only in Brisbane for four months of the year during which she attends Social Justice Meetings and participates in any events organised during those four months. Does she need to complete the documentation? As she will not be in Brisbane to attend the safeguarding training arranged for the Dominic Centre on 31 October 2018 she will try to attend one of the training sessions to be held at the Francis Rush Centre between July and September 2018

It was agreed to invite Carmen to the August 2018 meeting at which time we could clarify some of these issues and make the first order of business at that meeting the completion of any required paper work.

***Action: Peter to contact Carmen and see if she can attend the Social Justice Meeting on 7 August 2018 at 7pm in the Parish Library.***

***Next Meeting Tuesday 7 August 2018 at 7pm in Parish Library***