**MINUTES**

**CARINA PARISH SOCIAL JUSTICE GROUPS**

**HELD TUESDAY 4 December 2018 at 7PM**

Present: Paul, Shayne (Acting Chair), & Peter

Apologies: Henry, Marie, Roseanne and Susan

2 Minutes of Meeting of 6 November 2018:

The minutes of meeting of 6 November 2018 were accepted as a true record of meeting

3 Opening Prayer:

As agreed at the last meeting the Prayer to St Martin de Porres was recited to start the meeting.

Acknowledge of Country:

Shayne presented a Prayer used at Centacare Child Care Meetings that incorporated an Acknowledgement of Country. He also presented a simpler version that only dealt with an Acknowledgement of Country. After discussion this simpler version was selected for use at the start of our meetings after the opening prayer. It is as follows:-

Acknowledgement of Country

I would like to acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the Land on which we meet today and pay my respects to their Elders past. Present and emerging. I extend that respect to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander here today.

***Action: Henry to include Acknowledgement of Country along with Opening Prayer on all future meeting Agendas.***

4. Articles for Parish Newsletter & OLOG Website and Notice Board:

It was noted that Henry has suggested combining these two items on future agendas but they have appeared separately on the December Agenda. This to be discussed further with Henry at the February Meeting. Also to be discussed that we rotate responsibility between members for providing monthly items for Spread the Word.

5 Social Justice Networking with neighbouring Parishes:

Paul will provide Peter with a list of names and email address so that we can send them copies of our minutes by way of improving contact and networking with neighbouring Social Justice Groups.

Action:

1. ***Paul to provide Peter with list of names and email contact details;***
2. ***Peter to send minutes to those contacts along with a short email message***

7 Membership of Parish Social Justice Group:

Nothing further on this matter at this stage.

8 Family and Domestic Violence:

Members reported that the family and domestic violence event planned at all Masses on 10/11 November 2018 had gone as planned. It was agreed that this activity should be include again in the Social Justice Plan for 2019 but should go back to its original timing of the month of May to coincide with Family and Domestic Violence Month.

9 Report to the Parish on Social Justice Group Activities in 2018:

Peter’s draft report to the Parish about the Social Justice Groups activities in 2018 was agreed to subject to Paul providing information on two additional events that did not appear in the draft. Once the two additional items are included in the report it is to be sent to Ashleigh at the Parish Office for inclusion when possible in Spread the Word.

***Action:***

1. ***Paul to provide information on the two additional events;***
2. ***Peter to send finalised report to Parish Office for inclusion in Spread the Word.***

10 Draft Social Justice Group’s Program for 2019:

The meeting using the template provided by Henry identified items for the 2019 Social Justice Plan. Peter will send a copy of this plans still in draft stage to the Parish Office and asks if they can assigned weekend dates against the events if possible as earlier as possible in each month however we will fit in with other Parish commitments in those months. A copy of the completed calendar of events for 2019 will be sent with these minutes.

***Action:***

1. ***Peter to assign events to the Calendar and seek firm dates in those months from the Parish Office so that the Calendar of Events can be completed at the February 2019 meeting***
2. ***Peter to provide the interim calendar of events nominating the month while we are awaiting the assigning of the dates in those months on which the event will occur.***
3. ***Peter to also provide the Parish Office with Social Justice Meeting Dates in 2019***

114 Review of Parish Expo, Parish Picnic and Parish Multi-cultural Events:

Shayne said he had noted the feedback provided by the Social Justice Group re these events and would include those comments in his report to the Parish Council.

15 General Business:

It was agreed again of the need to include an item called “General Business “ in future agenda and that members would be responsible for providing Henry with any items in a timely manner so they could go out with the Agenda. There will of course still be the opportunity for members to add items at the start of each meeting and it was suggested that Henry should ask if there were any additional items of General Business at the commencement of each meeting.

Shayne closed the meeting with the Prayer used by Centacare Child Care Services to commence their meetings.

**Next Meeting Tuesday 5 February 2019 at 7pm in Parish Library**