

MINUTES
CARINA PARISH SOCIAL JUSTICE GROUPS
HELD TUESDAY 7 May 2019 at 7PM

1 Opening Prayer:

Henry led those present in the opening prayer to St Martin de Porres.

2 Acknowledgement of Country

Henry led those present at the meeting in the Acknowledgement of Country.

3 Attendance:

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

Apologies: Marie, Roseanne and Susan

4 Minutes of Meeting of 12 March 2019:

There was no meeting in April as there were insufficient members present for a quorum. Henry asked that the minutes of 12 March be confirmed as a true record of the meeting. All members agreed.

Action:

- a) *Peter to write and distribute minutes of each meeting to members of the Parish Social Justice Group and to the Parish Officer and ask that they be placed on the parish webpage; and*
- b) *On receipt of the minutes from Peter, Paul to distribute minutes to neighbouring parishes social justice groups.*

5 Action Items Arising out of the Previous Minutes:

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

Peter has prepared an article for Spread the Word for the weekend of 11/12 May 2019 relating to the event on family and domestic violence at Masses on the weekend of 18/19 May 2018.

Action: *Peter to send the prepared article to the Parish Office and ask that it be inserted in Spread the Word for the weekend of 11/12 May 2019*

5.2 Membership of Parish Social Justice Group:

Nothing further on this matter at this stage. An appeal for members was made in Spread the Word last weekend 4/5 May 2019 but there was no noticeable response.

5.3 Social Justice Networking with neighbouring Parishes:

Nothing further although Paul will send copies of our minutes to neighbouring Parish Social Justice Groups

5.4 St V De P Social Justice Bulletin

Paul has taken on further responsibilities with the St Vincent de Paul in relation to homelessness and advised nothing further to report at this stage.

5.5 OloG Social Justice Group Business Card:

Nothing further at this stage.

Action: *This matter to be kept under review.*

5.6 World Refugee Day 2019:

World Refugee Day in 2019 is 20 June 2019 and the Social Justice Group would like to hold an event on Refugee at masses on 15/16 or 22/23 June 2019 provided suitable material can be found and either of those dates is available in the parish calendar.

Action:

- a) *Peter to check with the Parish Secretary as to whether 15/16 or 22/23 of June is available in the parish calendar;*
- b) *Provided one of those dates are available Henry to see if he can develop an outline for Masses to inform and educate the parish community on issues still affecting refugees and asylum seekers.*

5.7 St Vincent de Paul National Homeless Persons Week 2019:

No further information at this stage as to if the St Vincent de Paul intend to observe a Homeless Person Week in 2019. Paul will keep the group informed of any developments

5.8 NAIDOC Week 2019:

NAIDOC Week 2019 will run from 7 to 14 July 2019. The Parish Office has confirmed that the Social Justice Group can undertake an event to publicise NAIDOC Week 2019 at Masses on 6/7 July 2019. The Social Justice Group confirmed their acceptance of the dates offered by the Parish. The Theme for NAIDOC Week 2019 is “Voice. Treaty. Truth – Let’s work together for a shared future”.

Action: *Peter will come back to the June Meeting with a proposal for the Parish NAIDOC Week event at Masses on the weekend of 6/7 July 2019*

5.9 Family and Domestic Violence Month May 2019.

Peter presented an outline of the proposal for Masses on 18/19 May 2019 to recognise domestic and family violence month to bring the issue to the notice of the parish community. Members viewed a YouTube video entitled “Domestic and Family Violence-Bystander” and agreed it would be suitable subject to Fr Alex agreeing. While a little long at just under 5 minutes the Social Justice Group will ask that it be shown at Masses on the Weekend of 18/19 May 2019 preferably just prior to the final blessing but if Fr Alex feels it is too long to do this perhaps it could be shown just before or just after Masses on that weekend

Action: *Peter to send an outline for the event at Masses on 18/19 May 2019 to Parish Secretary for the consideration of Fr Alex and the Parish Liturgy Committee.*

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

The Social Justice Group's Report to the Parish on its Activities in 2018 was finalised. A copy will be forwarded to all members with these minutes.

Actions:

- a) ***Peter will forward the Report to Ashleigh at the Parish Office after the family and domestic violence event on 18/19 May 2019 ask that it be placed on the parish we page;***
- b) ***Shayne to present a copy of the Report to the next Parish Council meeting.***

5.11 Our Lady of Graces Social Justice Group's Program for 2019:

The Action Plan for 2019 will be amended to mover item on Catholic Social Teaching to October/November and Peter will check with the Parish Secretary to see if this can be accommodated in the Parish Calendar

Peter will also check with the Parish Secretary whether an event on World Refugee day could be undertaken in June on Masse on the weekend of 15/16 June or weekend of 22/23 June to coincide with World Refugee Day for 2019 which is scheduled for 20 June 2019.

Action:

- a) ***Peter to ask Parish Office for a date for an event in June for World Refugee Day; and***
- b) ***Peter to ask Parish Office if it will be possible to publicise the Ten Principles of Catholic Social Teaching in Spread the Word over October/November***
- c) ***Once the date for the World Refugee Event is confirmed by the Parish and the new date for publishing the Ten Principles of Catholic Social Teaching the Social Justice Program endorsed by the Social Justice Group and distributed to Stakeholders and placed on the Parish Webpage.***

5.12 Dominican Thai Holy Infant Orphanage:

Nothing further at this stage will be kept on agenda.

5.13 Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults:

Those members who need to get documentation to the Parish should do so as soon as possible.

5.14 Review of Parish Expo, Parish Picnic & Multicultural Event:

Shayne advised that there was nothing further to report on these items and that the Parish Pastoral Council was in the process of developing a Parish Pastoral Plan and looking at a communications strategy.

5.15 Key Principles of Catholic Social Teaching:

The publication of the Key Principles of Catholic Social Teaching forms part of the Social Justice Groups program for 2019 and arrangements need to be made to publish those Principles in Spread the Word. This will be deferred to October/November

Action: ***Peter will check this change of plans with the Parish Secretary to ensure it does not conflict with other parish activities already in the parish calendar.***

6 **General Business:**

6a Asylum Seekers/Traffickers/People Smugglers:

Paul is still undertaking some research and will come up with some definitions of each term and circulate those to members of the Social Justice Group.

Next Meeting Tuesday 4 June 2019 at 7pm in Parish Library