

Renewal of the Parish Pastoral Forum

On 20th June the open meeting for parishioners outlined the way forward in laying the foundations for closer collaboration with neighbouring parishes as proposed in the Diocesan document, 'Working Together to Evangelise Our Diocese.'

This involves a more formalised structure representing the main strands of our parish organisations in the form of a Parish Pastoral Forum (PPF) consisting of twelve members who will meet four times a year.

Whilst nine positions will be appointed from representatives of these groups, we are inviting nominations for three positions under the heading of 'Parishioner Representative'. We are especially keen that the PPF is representative of the cultural and ethnic mix of our parishioners and therefore encourage nominations from such persons.

A Nomination Form, which gives details of the process and timescale, is available in this section of the website. The first meeting of the PPF will be on 12th September, following which minutes of the meeting will be posted on the notice board and website. In addition to the PPF, there will be plenty more opportunities for further parishioner participation in the life of the parish and its groups.

In conclusion, the formation of the PPF is the first important step in renewing and revitalising our parish community in all its aspects and we are hopeful it will be the catalyst to this end. Watch this space, the notice board and website for further details from September.