

St. Peters Parish Pastoral Council
Minutes – 02/02/2026

Present:

Alan Colhoun (AC) – Chairperson , Father Thomas – Parish Priest. (FT) , Louise Steel (LS)
Yvonne Galbraith (YG) , Patricia Hallan (PH) – St Peters School liaison and Parish
Safeguarding coordinator and Bill Corr (BC)

Apologies – Keith Campbell (KC)

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- and Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/p/St-Peters-Catholic-Church-Paisley->

Introduction and Apologies

The Chairman, AC, noted that a quorum was present, the previous minutes were accepted and seconded by YG.

1. FT opened proceedings with prayers.

Key meeting agenda items – (8) raised by,

- Parish mission(FT)
- Lent(FT)
- Church repairs(FT)
- Finance report.(FT)
- Children’s Liturgy.(PH)
- Safeguarding(PH)
- Events.(All)
- AOB

2. DISCUSSION and ACTIONS ARISING FROM THIS MEETING.

Key agenda and outcomes -

Parish Lenten Mission 2026 -

A discussion around the key Lenten themes around Reconciliation,
Evangelisation and, Lent was held and FT presented a proposal around inviting
various resources to deliver a Lenten Mission to the parish, 24th , 25th and 26th
March’26, These dates and full details to be confirmed later.

Lent

Lent 2026 starts 18/2 it is likely that the parish will celebrate Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, followed with Stations of the Cross and quiet prayer each Friday beginning at 18:30 and the church will close at 20:00. It is also proposed that Station of the Cross will be provided to the children and staff of St Peters School.

Church repairs

Church repairs – The ongoing issue with the water leaks in the church oratory and at a cost of ~£3.5k the west facing outside wall above the oratory will be roughcast.

Finance report

Finance report – FT provided a written report from the Finance Committee, highlighting the main areas of income and expenditure.

Safeguarding

Safeguarding – PH, the parish Safeguarding officer, provided information around key areas of interest on implementing the Diocese Safeguarding procedures, one instance of implementation is the Parish Hall lets process where PVG requirements and Diocese documentation are now in place. PH stated that the parish is now compliant.

Children's Liturgy

Children's liturgy – PH stated that 3 more support volunteers have been recruited and are now awaiting Disclosure/PVG clearance.

Events

Events- Various parish events were discussed, and a quiz night has been provisionally agreed for the 24th April and a repeat of the successful Daffodil tea will take place 22nd March for the elders of the parish. These dates will be confirmed in the bulletin nearer the time.

AOB

BC stated that there had been complaints from parishioners who attend the Vigil Mass that the church was cold, it was agreed that the heating timer should be adjusted.

FT closed the meeting with prayers.

3.0 Possible outstanding actions arising from previous meetings and discussions. "lessons learned" from St Paul's parish experience, in particular how could St Peters would learn from that and put mitigation measures in place."
FT.