Meeting 4

OLSG Fabric & Finance Committee
Minutes of Meeting of 17 May 2016

Present: Fr Joseph Boyle, Paul Mc Bride, John Graham.

The meeting opened with a prayer.

1. Fr Boyle stated that he had located surplus ceiling tiles similar to those in the Hall. They were discovered in a cupboard outside the Chapel House.

2. Paul McBride informed the meeting that Jim McLuskey had not yet got back to him regarding the installation of the dado rail in the Church Hall. Fr Boyle stated that he would get in touch with Stephen Blair, who has already done work for the parish, and see if he would be willing to tackle the job.

3. Fr Boyle issued copies of the Finance Returns from September 2015 to 31 March 2016. These included detailed accounts for both the Church and the Hall. It was agreed that these would be published in the Parish Bulletin.

4. Fr Boyle informed the meeting that he had received an estimate from Marshall Brown Ltd regarding the cost of replacing the windows in the Church. The breakdown of this is as follows:-

   Main Entrance £23,000 + VAT
   South Elevation £34,000 + VAT
   North Elevation £34,000 + VAT
   Internal Screen £4,000 + VAT

   Other additional costs, e.g. scaffolding etc., would add to the final bill. It was felt that the terms & conditions laid out in the estimate were unacceptable and that a further meeting with Ken Crilley would be necessary. Fr Boyle agreed to contact him to arrange this.

5. Fr Boyle suggested that a Parish Meeting should be convened to inform parishioners of the financial position of the parish and to discuss the implications of the proposed improvements to the fabric of the Church. It was agreed that this meeting should take place on Thursday 9th June at 7.15pm. A notice to this effect will be placed in the Bulletin.

6. Fr Boyle raised the possibility of having a display in the Hall chronicling the history of the parish. He hoped that this is something that the Youth Forum could be involved in.

The meeting closed with a prayer.

Next Meeting: To be arranged