



News from Diocesan Council

June to August 2013

APPOINTMENTS

The Administrator announced the following appointments and retirement during the June and August meetings of Diocesan Council:

That in addition to their respective parish appointments Fathers Dirk van Dissel and Peter Simmons have been appointed as Anglicare SA Chaplains.

Fr John Edwards appointed Locum – Mt Gambier
To end of July.

Fr Ellis Jones of the Pastoral District of the Riverland announced his retirement effective 25th August. He will retire to Melbourne.

OTHER APPOINTMENTS

Seaford Ecumenical Endeavours

- Fr Dirk van Dissel

Diocese of Adelaide Professional Standards C'tee

- Fr David Patterson

MONTHLY MINISTRY

The Administrator and Archdeacon Reg Farnell are providing monthly ministry at Lameroo and Waikerie respectively.

DIOCESAN COUNCIL MATTERS

Continuing Safer Ministry Training

A further training date will be advised soon

Introduction of extended Safer Ministry Processes

That this Diocesan Council requires that a police check, safer ministry training and safer ministry questionnaires are completed by all wardens, those ministering to children, the elderly and the vulnerable, official hospital and home visitors and paid opshop managers; while a police check is required from volunteer opshop managers.

Please refer to your Parish Priest or Parish Secretary for the necessary documentation associated with the above mentioned roles.

Church Property - The Pinnaroo Church was sold at auction and settlement is due in August.

South Australian Work Health & Safety Act 2012 - Council were informed that this Act came into effect on 1st January 2013. An approach to the Diocese of Adelaide, who are still developing their policies, has been made requesting assistance on a provincial basis to introduce this Act in the Diocese of The Murray.

Portrait of former Bishop - Council felt it appropriate that a portrait of the former bishop be placed in the foyer of the Diocesan Registry with those of other previous bishops. Ross Davies has been approached and consented to a portrait being painted. This remains a work in progress.

Diocesan Council Honorarium - In recognition of the secretarial assistance provided by the current Diocesan Council minute secretary, Council accepted the recommendation of the FAI Committee that an honorarium be paid to acknowledge this role from the commencement of this appointment.

Kitchen Renovation - Council agreed to install a new kitchen at Bishop's Lodge. The work has been completed in accordance with the quote.

Diocese of Adelaide Synod Observers - Council appointed Fr Dirk van Dissel and Mr Jonathan Woore as observers from the diocese to attend the 2013 Adelaide Synod being held in October.

New diocesan motor vehicle purchase - It was reported to Council that a new motor vehicle will be purchased in accordance with the Diocesan Motor Vehicle Policy in readiness for the arrival of the Bishop.

Royal Commission - The Administrator has continued to respond to correspondence in relation to the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse.

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