THE FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES FRIDAY 28 APRIL 2017 @ 4.00PM CATHEDRAL HOUSE:

The meeting opened at 4pm with the Friends' traditional prayer in which all present joined in.

OPENING PRAYER:

Dearest Jesus, teach us to be generous, to love and serve You as You deserve, to give and not count the cost, to fight and not heed the wounds, to toil and not seek reward, save that of knowing we do Your holy will. Amen.

Gathered in Your name, we come before You, Holy Spirit, and ask that You enlighten our hearts to know Your will and make it our own in our own lives and in that of this committee. Amen.

<u>**PRESENT:</u>** Antoinette Cornelius, Annette Marskell, Ellen Boissett, Helen Hofman, Marguerite Ghafari, Richard Flynn, Sev Milazzo and Anthony Restuccia.</u>

<u>APOLOGIES:</u> Betty Hanrahan, Jacqueline Roche, Michael Douglas and Richard Stevens (standing apology).

NEW BUSINESS:

- I. St Patrick's Day Luncheon raised \$1648 profit. General consensus was that food was good, ambience intimate, raffle was too long and that Bishop Umbers was a most entertaining and personable speaker.
- 2. Positive response to the new brochure.
- 3. Request for 50 Life Member medallions @ \$24.64 confirmed as approved.
- 4. Discussion re cost of mail outs for information evenings vs receipts ok as long as cost does not exceed receipts.
- 5. List of new members to be named and minuted at meeting. A welcome letter with request for any suggestions they might have to be posted / emailed.
- 6. Discussion re **be** nominated as Public Officer possible conflict of interest as she is an employee of the Archdiocese voiced

by Anthony Restuccia - privacy of Friends official records. Records to be maintained properly and filed monthly at Cathedral House in secure cabinet. Jacqueline Roche and Ellen Boissett to review files and dispose accordingly. Resolved that Richard Flynn assume role of Public Officer. Secretary to provide all his relevant files as it is a requirement that records be accessed at business address.

- 7. 23 attendees at Chris Backhouse information evening most informative and interesting
- 8. Next information evening to be presented by Thomas Wilson on Thursday 15 June 2017 in the choir rooms. Two further suggestions for guest speakers: Fr Richard Leonard and St Mary's Cathedral College principal.
- 9. Trivia Quiz night on Saturday evening 17 June 2017 in Br Hoffman Hall. Discussion on supper options - soup, pizzas, cash bar, picnic baskets, bread rolls, plastic glasses and cups. Tea and coffee provided. BYO.
- 10. Cathedral book set aside for next meeting. Imperative that Friends claim ownership.
- II. Reference to Tom Wilson in Agenda for 28 April to be amended to Thomas Wilson.

TREASURER'S REPORT: As presented.

NEXT MEETING: Friday 9 June 2017 @ 4PM – subsequently brought forward to 2pm as requested by Cathedral House.

CLOSING PRAYER: We thank you, O Lord, for Thy gifts as we particularly remember the generosity of the Friends, past and present, and we ask that You reward with eternal life those who have gone before us and that You bless us who live that we might glorify Your Name. Amen.