

THE FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL BASILICA  
COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES  
WEDNESDAY 5 FEBRUARY 2020 @ 3.15PM  
CATHEDRAL HOUSE:

**PRESENT:** Marguerite Ghafari, Richard Flynn, Carolyn Lewis and Sev Milazzo. Anthony Restuccia arrived after meeting had closed.

**APOLOGIES:** The Dean and Annette Marskell.

**NEXT MEETING:** Wednesday 4 March 2020 at 3.15pm.

**MINUTES:** Minutes of meeting of 04 December 2019, moved by Richard Flynn and seconded by Carolyn Lewis, were accepted.

**BUSINESS ARISING:**

**Altar Frontals & Lady Chapel Statues Plaque:**

In the absence of the Dean, no further advance.

**Sacristan and Archivist Talks:**

Awaiting response from the Sacristan. Archivist is available in April but not in September. The President suggested that this talk be deferred to July 2021. Secretary to inform Archivist.

**Website:**

The President advises that it would be going live today and have capability for minutes for members' only access.

President to be reimbursed \$1000 for costs.

**Brochures** to be ready within the week.

**2020 Events including Information talks:**

The following program has agreed to for 2020:

**7 March** - 1st trivia night - Cathedral College Hall ;

**3 May** - Crypt talk by the Dean;

**OLHOC - 23 May Saturday** - Evening Mass followed by Formal Dinner in Cathedral House with Guest Speaker John O'Brien - President to confer with the Dean re availability of Cathedral House;

**OLHOC - 24 May Sunday** - Sausage sizzle BBQ after 10.30am Mass - Recruitment Drive on 24 May option or other (1st Sunday August ?) with Mass Celebrant giving briefing re brochures; follow up enquiries / Mass on last Sunday in October t

**4 June** - Thomas Wilson in the Cathedral - talk on the chamber organ donated by Friends;

**? July** - Sacristan talk on Cathedral treasures etc;????

**25 July** - 2nd trivia night - Cathedral College Hall;

**18 August** - Bells talk in Hall foyer - Margaret Hill;

**13 September** - Annual Mass and AGM;

**17 September** - John O'Brien talk in Chapter Hall;

**15 October** - Bell Tower tour - Margaret Hill;

**26 November** - the Dean on Cathedral altars, statues, sculptures;

### **2020 - AGM & Mass:**

The President has confirmed that these will be held on Sunday 13 September 2020.

### **TRIVIA NIGHTS:**

\*Saturday 7 March at 7pm;

\*Tables of 8;

\*Platters on tables;

\*Veggie sticks, cheese, crackers, dips, sandwiches and plastic drink ware; byo drinks.

\*\$25 for members and their friends / \$30 for non members; and

\*Volunteers to assist during day.

### **OLHOC DINNER:**

At Cathedral House at 7pm following Mass.

\$100 for members / \$120 for non-members;

Secretary to liaise with Mehul for pricing and menu options etc

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

\*Interest was expressed in private and unofficial contributions to the Notre Dame De Paris and it was agreed that \$2000 approx be set as a donation in kind for the Cathedral. Ideas covered chalice, indigenous, connection with early French Marist Fathers, La Perouse, our common bond of a fire ravaged Cathedral etc.

\*Possibility of larger size posters placed on cathedral notice boards.

## **TREASURER'S REPORT:**

No report provided in the Treasurer's absence.

## **GENERAL BUSINESS:**

1. Archiving: Annette and Sev - March / April 2020.
2. Donation of \$250 from Marguerite Ghafari for Trivia night.

**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.