Archdiocese of Glasgow

LOOKING TO THE FUTURE

Southern Deanery

Deanery Council Meeting

28th May 2024



AGENDA

- 1 Welcome and Prayer
- 2 Report of previous meeting for approval
- 3 Recommendations made to
- Archbishop
 - a) How it was prepared
 - b) Response from Archbishop
 - c) Communication to parishes
- 4 Evangelisation
 - Formation and role of Committee
- (Fr Carroll)
- 5 Communication to parishes by
- Newsletter
- 6 Date of next meeting
- 7 Any other business



| Pastoral | Category A | Category B | Category C |
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| Area | | 10 years | 5 years |
| 1 | St Helen's, | Holy Cross, | |
| | Blessed Duns Scotus | St Brigid's | |
| 2 | Christ the King, St Bartholomew's | | St Margaret Mary's |
| 3 | Our Lady of Lourdes, Our Lady and St George's | St Constantine's | St Albert's, St Leo's St Anthony's |
| 4 | St Mary Immaculate, St Gabriel's, | St Vincent's | Holy Name |
| 5 | St James's merge with St Conval's | St Robert's | St Bernard's |

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Southern Deanery – Recommendations for Pastoral areas and Parishes

The Southern Deanery of the Archdiocese of Glasgow is submitting this brief report to the Archbishop as a document which indicates the recommended distribution of the parishes in the Deanery. The recommendations made have arisen from widespread consultation and discussion, although it is clear that not all recommendations will be welcomed in each parish.

The Deanery believes this distribution of parishes offers the optimum use of the resources available and will provide the most satisfactory base for evangelisation and service to the Catholic communities.

The recommendations made take account of the declining predicted number of active priests in the Deanery, currently 19, and likely to be 12 in 5 years' time, and 9 priests in 10 years' time.

The parishes have been categorised in 3 groups, namely

- Category A which are parishes likely to be supported by the Archdiocese for over 10 years;
- Category B which are parishes to be supported for at least the next 5 years and kept under review thereafter.
- Category C which are parishes likely to merge, close or change within the next 5 years.

In each case of change in the parishes the boundaries of the parishes will require to be redrawn. As a consequence of such changes the current Pastoral Areas will be realigned.