

REPORT OF THE **SOCIAL COMMITTEE** FOR THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
OF THE PASTORAL COUNCIL TO BE HELD ON 19 JULY 2025

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1.	<p>A number of very successful events have been held since the last AGM in March 2024. These include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• In April - a cream tea after Mass in St Columba's to raise money towards a new sound system in St Theresa's. The sound system is now in place and been well received.</li><li>• In May – a Bingo night had been arranged in St Theresa's Club but a controversial issue arose about charges for use of the premises. The event was then to be held in St Columba's Hall but a suitable date could not be found.</li><li>• In June – the parish BBQ held in St Columba's which was attended by 96 people – and the rain just about held off. Money raised from the BBQ goes towards the funding for the Christmas party for over 55s to be held in December</li><li>• In July – the coach trip to Lichfield</li><li>• In November – the Autumn Fair, which was well attended, the profit from which again goes towards paying for the Senior's Christmas Party</li><li>• In December - the Christmas Party was attended by 45 parishioners. Entertainment was provided by Upton Community Choir. By all accounts it was a very enjoyable afternoon.</li><li>• Also in December - the Advent Carol Service held in St Theresa's. Approx 50 people came from the parish to listen to readings and join in the singing. Thank you to John Reid and Rob Green for accompanying the singing. Children from the parish processed up the aisle carrying the knitted Nativity figures which had journeyed around families and our primary schools during Advent and placed them on the altar. Following the service, mulled wine and mince pies (courtesy of Eileen Mapp) were served in St Theresa's Centre.</li><li>• In June this year – the parish BBQ – very well attended in beautiful sunshine</li></ul>
2.	<p>Parish Council AGM on 19<sup>th</sup> July – group have agreed to organise the afternoon tea for the social following the business meeting</p>

3.  A3/4   B4a	<p>With ref to the Parish Development Plan, it was decided to defer seeking opinions from young people, children and families on future activities until September as there are already quite a few things involving all, such as the AGM art competition and Jubilee year celebrations.</p> <p>Show films – for families/older people – Still under consideration</p>
4.	<p>The social committee meet whenever the need arises to organise events and are always open to suggestions for different social activities. Anyone wishing to join the committee, please get in touch with the parish admin staff.</p>