

MAINTENANCE AND BUILDING REPORT MARCH

2019.

In the way of maintenance little has been carried out due to the unavailability of finance but at this stage the disabled toilet has been plumbing wise finished by Gorden Allen overseeing his son carry out the work. A mirror, shelf and paper holder as well as some form of hand drying is yet to be installed. Hopefully this will be carried out over the next few weeks.

A successful recital of the organs was held on the 10th February and the Parish was handed a donation of \$550.

This will go towards the project explained above.

There is still lots of work to be carried out on the Hartigan Centre but will get done as the finance becomes available.

We have undertaken to change our fire protection maintenance and Fr. Mick and I are going through the process with a firm from Queanbeyan to cover our Church, Hall, Chapel and Hartigan Centre.

A small working 'B' took place last Saturday to clean up the front yard of the Centre and we managed to take a full ute load to the tip. This has made the area more presentable for the wedding next Saturday. Once again the proceeds from the hiring out of the Chapel and Hartigan Centre will go to the continued maintenance of the buildings.

St. Augustines Hall has become the Centre for Gymnastics in Yass and the Lessees have been very happy with the outcome. This has given the Parish a steady income from a building that was becoming a white elephant costing us money for its use of only a couple of times a month. One of the areas of concern is the front garden area of the Hartigan Centre as for the Past 2 years it has been maintained by a few elderly ladies and the time has come for some overall action for its upkeep. Fr. Mick has put feelers out there to see if any Parishioners would take on the responsibility of organizing the continued maintenance of this wonderful area. I must thank the two or three ladies who keep it watered and weeded at present.

With the outlook of the ideas of Sara I look at the maintenance not only of the physical aspects of the parish, and I may sound profound when I say it should also be the continued maintenance of those people who have come into this faith on invitation, and I see have been neglected over the years following their journey. I have spoken about this on several occasions over the years but there doesn't seem to be much response either from the Parish Council level or the RCIA level. Has anyone got any ideas how to approach this? We are supposed to be a Pastoral Care Council aren't we? Maybe it's time to reform the RCIA team for it to continue its work, even if we don't have any candidates.

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Maintenance.