

Parish Pastoral Council Welfare Job Statement 21 October 2020

The duties of the Parish Pastoral Councillor for Welfare can be described as follow:

- Monitor the operation of the welfare groups in the Parish and report on their activities at Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) meetings.
- Liaise with welfare groups regarding new initiatives which may involve the participation of any or all of the welfare groups.
- Present to PPC meetings issues, concerns from any of the welfare groups and proposed initiatives submitted by one or more of the welfare groups.
- Liaise with the welfare groups about issues which may arise between them.

The current welfare groups are listed below.

The Carers Group

Contact: Kath Luchetti (phone 6226 1184)

The role of the Carers Group is to provide companionship for lonely and immobile parishioners. Such parishioners are visited in their homes or other establishments where they may be staying, including Yass Hospital, Horton House, Warmington Lodge or the Linton aged care facility. Each week two pairs of ladies are rostered to conduct these visits. Currently there are 24 members of this group.

Warmington Lodge Morning Tea Group

Contact: Pauline Abbey (phone 6226 2616)

The purpose of this group is to provide companionship and morning tea to those people living in Warmington Lodge. This occurs on the 2nd and 5th Wednesday of each month. This group is part of a larger group involving other Churches and community groups. Currently there are 9 parishioners involved in this work.

Meals on Wheels

Contact: Kay Perceval (phone 6226 3567)

The purpose of this group is to assist with the distribution of lunchtime meals to immobile citizens of Yass. Members of this group collect hot meals from Yass Hospital and deliver the meals to such people in their homes. Again, this group is part of a larger group involving other Churches and community groups. The groups are rostered in such a way so that recipients are provided with a daily meal. There are currently 18 parishioners involved in this work.

The St Vincent de Paul Society

The Society in Yass has two distinct functions: the operation of the Centre and the work of the Conference. The two parts work in close co-operation with each other.

The Conference

Contact: Judith Williams (phone: 6226 4696)

The Conference is responsible for assisting people in need. Although some people are visited in their homes, or wherever they are located, the majority of people are interviewed in the Conference's room at the Centre. The Conference can assist people with food, items which can be acquired from the Centre (e.g. clothing and household items), travel and assistance with power bills. Currently the Conference membership stands at 15.

The Centre

Contact: Natalie Howard (phone 6234 7451)

The Centre is the retail part where donations are received, sorted and sold, providing the necessary funds for the Society to continue its work. The Centre has a full time manager who is responsible for the operation of the store, including the recruiting and training of volunteers. Volunteers are essential for the smooth operation of the Centre. There are currently 14 volunteers.

The Yass Gunning Belun

Contact:

The Yass Gunning Belun supports health and education works primarily in Occussi Province of Timor Leste. All the works are supported and achieved through the generous support of the Yass and Gunning Parishioners. The Belun Committee determined in 2018 to concentrate their resources in the operation of a clinic, education programs, schooling the blind and water projects.