

Blessed Hugh Church Faringdon

PPC Minutes 19th January 2023

8.15- 9.05 p.m.

Present: Fr Claro Conde, Paul Padley, Kathleen Thomas, Darren & Vanessa Hall, JP Crilly, Nicole Kamugisha

Apologies: Lorraine Brabin, Helena Boakye

1. Opening Prayer- led by Fr C Conde
2. Apologies- see above
3. Matters arising and actions from the last meeting

3. Matters Arising:

Action	Responsible	Status	Decision
Create a summary page of all Parish activities for our website,	JPC	Draft finished and sent around all parishioners mentioned within it. A few further suggestions made.	JPC to include suggestions and then send finished document to NT for inclusion on website.
Friday Youth Group	NC	Some reorganisation occurring at the moment, due to the happy growth in the size of the Youth Group. Plan to move from Friday evening to Sunday either before or after Mass.	Continued growth of the youth group warmly greeted. Plan to move to Sundays welcomed.
Children's Liturgy / Young people Personally approach the parents of the children attending children's liturgy to see if any would volunteer to take the children's liturgy.	LB/KT	One new volunteer.	Ongoing

2. 10 Year Plan

KT: parish feedback has been submitted. Waiting for the diocese response. Creation of Area X is due in January.

3. Closer to Christ campaign

Meeting on Monday- 6.30 p.m. in the church hall.

£10,000 pledged so far.

4. Evangelisation

PP and JPC introduced some of the ideas they had for evangelisation of the community.

JPC said that in order to reach out to people it was important to have talks on subjects that were not explicitly Christian themselves, but that provided an opportunity to touch upon Christianity and the Church.

Suggestions included talks on literature, art or music and how their faith had inspired the authors, artists and composers.

Fr Claro had suggested contacting the Rev. Pickering (former vicar of Kingston Bagpuize) to talk about G.K Chesterton. The talk is scheduled for 23rd Feb at 7.45 p.m. in the church hall.

KT suggested asking Sjoerd or Reggie to talk about stewardship of the environment.

Fr. Claro suggested asking Peter Foot to talk about art and artists and church architecture.

KT also suggested asking Reggie to talk about his life and works before he moves away. Idea greeted with great approval.

KT suggested asking CAFOD to come and talk about their aid and development work.

PP is to contact CTiF regarding holding a joint procession on Pentecost.

5. AOB

JPC suggested it might be good to hold meetings in person from time to time.

6. Next meeting

Thursday 9th Feb- in church hall. 7.15 p.m. Chair-Kathleen Thomas Minutes- Vanessa Hall

6. Closing Prayer

Fr Claro finished the meeting with a prayer.

Action points

- Paul to ask Ukrainians whether they might do a lunch once a month in the church hall- an expansion of the warm spaces.

Idea	Person responsible	Timeframe	Outcome
Ask Ukrainians whether they might do a lunch once a month in the church hall- an expansion of the warm spaces idea.	PP	By next meeting	
Confirm Rev. Pickering talk, and publicise within Faringdon and surrounding area.	JPC	ASAP	

Ask for volunteers from within the parish to talk on subjects of interest at future evening talks	JPC	By 23 rd Feb	
Continue trying to find new volunteers to take the children's liturgy	KT	Ongoing	
Contact other churches in Faringdon about a joint procession on Pentecost	PP	Next CTiF meeting	