Blessed Hugh Church Faringdon

PPC Minutes 23rd May 2024

8.15 pm - 9.30pm

Present ; Paul Padley, Vanessa and Darren Hall, Kathleen, Fr Claro, Mike Lubinskei, Lorraine, Nicole, JP,

Apologies; Aude, Karen

Opening Prayer Lead by Fr Claro

Matters arising and actions from the last meeting

- Notice board: Costs to be established and discussed at Finance meeting, no decision yet.
- Social media: Written report sent in by Karen. She has contacted Neil Taylor and they are working together to link Facebook and Instagram pages. Some of the older kids are happy for Karen to use their photographs so she should be able to share information about the Youth group with the help of a volunteer from the Youth group.
- Mass in Southmoor Mary Poole now booked for 8th June at 2.00pm. Action: Lorraine to put an ad in the newsletter.
- Communication for our elderly and infirmed parishioners who cannot access our parish community. Kathleen will work on a magazine during the summer in order to create a quarterly communication.

• Youth group update

• The Youth Group have been meeting regularly and all is going very well. They sang a song for the Parish on Pentecost. There are about 20 parents and children who come regularly to the church hall every second Friday at 5.00. They plan to arrange some kind of trip in the summer.

Children's liturgy update

- Healthy number of liturgists, all going well Rosa and Amanda from the first Communion group will join.
- First Communion preparation going well. Parents are also attending the sessions which is really helping the children on their journeys. The children have made their First Confession and their 1st Communion day will be on Corpus Christi 2nd June.

Evangelisation

- Evening talk went really well last Friday. 22 attended. The next talk is on 6th June by Vincent who will be talking about his spiritual journey then there will be a break until September. There was a connection issue which delayed the talk so it was decided that a HDMI cable will be bought to help future guest speakers.
 Action, JP will ask the Finance committee for funds.
- Shared lunch on Pentecost went very well, Vanessa and Darren set it up and they were grateful for the help they received from many members of the parish.
- The procession on Corpus Christi which will also be the First Communion day. The safety of the route was discussed and a route around the market square was agreed. Action, Darren to organise stewards and high viz jackets. Action, Fr Claro to bring his small thurible and ask Tony to teach one of the altar servers to use it for the procession. Perhaps they could practice this Sunday?
- The Religious Art in the hall is well received with plenty of people looking at them and contemplating whilst they were waiting for the evening talks to begin.

Revision of Mission statement.

• JP has written a draft revision, *Action*, JP will flesh out and distribute, please read and send in agreement/amendments so that it can be discussed at next PPC meeting then posted on the website.

AOB

- JP thanked Vanessa and Darren for standing and organising both the Pentecost shared lunch and the evening talk by Peter Star.
- JP proposed the idea of a choral service singing Marian hymns close to the feast of the Assumption. We could invite parishioners and Choirs from around our Pastoral area. After a bit of discussion, it was decided that it would be better attended in October. We will get a contact list of other parishes so that they can be invited. This then led to a discussion about Pastoral Area X and the need for more communication on what we do in Faringdon, it was felt that the choral service would be a good start.
- It was also agreed that we will get link to the other churches in Pastoral Area X and get Neil to put the links on the website. We will also find our Mass times for these churches and post those on our website.

Date next meeting

Chair Minutes 27th June Aude Karen

Closing prayer Lead by Fr claro

Recurring Zoom Meeting Details:

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