

## Blessed Hugh Church Faringdon

### PPC Minutes 27<sup>th</sup> March 2025

8.15 pm – 9.30pm

Chair: JP; Minutes: Kathleen

**Present:** JP Crilly, Fr Claro, Aude Echaliere, Lorraine Brabin, Kathleen Thomas

#### Matters and actions arising from the last meeting

Lorraine to speak to Neill regarding setting up a Zoom account	Pending
Aude to measure children's room for shelving	Very cramped for a bookshelf. JP suggested stacked see through boxes to store toys. Aude will have another look and JP will remove some of the chairs on Sunday.
JP to put notice in newsletter after Christmas appealing for old toys, children's bibles etc for the children's room	Done, toys provided.
JP to find out the cost of a noticeboard to stand by the church gate	JP submitted it to finance. They have agreed in principle, JP to choose a midrange priced one around £750 and the finance committee will order it,
Lorraine to contact the sister that lead the Eucharistic ministers' retreat to see if she might lead a parish retreat in 2025.	Pending

#### Youth group update

- Are more volunteers needed now that Nicole has left? Helena not here but Jose Ortiz has expressed an interest in getting involved with the Youth group. Kathleen will get him and Helena together.

#### Social Media Update

#### Children's liturgy update

- Going well, although we have lost a few liturgists we have also gained a few including JP.
- Preparation for First Holy Communion, classes are underway with parents accompanying their children to all sessions. Great group of kids with 4 at the moment but 2 more may join.

#### Evangelisation

- Update from Lorraine about the January meeting. Kathleen summarised, January's meeting involved a discussion on Evangelisation and Chris took note of the different Evangelisation initiatives that Blessed Hugh Parish undertakes. There may be a possibility that the Formation and Evangelisation teams will merge. A meeting date was set to discuss this further with Chris Harrison on 8<sup>th</sup> April at 8.00pm. We will invite Paul Padley and Peter Starr.
- Next evening talk is 24<sup>th</sup> April

## AOB

- Parish walk- perhaps Palm Sunday, afternoon? JP will put a notice in the newsletter.
- Poster for Holy Week/Easter Mass times was approved JP to print and distribute.
- Pentecost shared lunch was agreed for 8<sup>th</sup> June, people from Churches Together and Foodbank will also be invited.
- "Operation Lost Sheep"- trying to make contact with Catholics resident within the parish who do not currently come to Mass at Blessed Hugh. JP suggested that he creates a Google form with a short survey aimed at non-attending Catholics in our parish. The link to the survey can be advertised in village newsletters and on social media. The purpose is to see how we can serve local Catholics better. Fr Claro also said that befriending people is very powerful and that we should continue to endeavour to do that.
- Aude suggested arranging a parish locally so that costs will not prohibit some parishioners from joining. Fr Claro is saying an Ethnic Community Mass in Portsmouth Cathedral on 27<sup>th</sup> September at 1.00pm, perhaps our parishioners could attend together as a pilgrimage? The anniversary of the arrest of St Edmond Campion at Lyford Grange was also suggested there is usually a Pilgrimage Mass said there around the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in June. We will look out for this year's date.