

PASTORAL TEAM MEETING
THURSDAY 22ND FEBRUARY 2018

Present: Fr Jimmy McPhillips, Seamus O'Dare, Geraldine Meehan, Yvonne Burke, Pauline Dolan, Martina Jones, Sr Edel Bannon, Linda Woods, Deirdre Leonard, Margaret Corrigan, Damien Flynn, Julie Anne Flynn, Gemma Murphy, Anna Corrigan, Anna McGrail, John Duffy, Marie McGowan.

Apologies: Veronica Swift.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

CHILDREN'S MASS

Well done, great presentation – children dressed up and they enjoyed it. A good committee working well. Thanks in particular to Reesha Rasdale and Claire McAloon, out two teachers on board.

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES

Parish involvement – walks to religious sites e.g. Carrick Graveyard. Seamus and Yvonne will make enquiries and seek permission. In Boho, St. Faber's Well, Celtic Cross and Mass Rock were discussed, Margaret to investigate.

JOHN PAUL II AWARDS GROUP

Presentation of medals – Friday 23rd February in the Slieve Russell. 5 members will attend. A presentation event in the Parish is being considered. Gemma will speak to them and arrange a date – 11th/18th March.

LENT ARRANGEMENTS

Ash Wednesday – big crowds at all Masses. Too many people arrived at h 7.30pm to distribute the ashes, correct this in 2019.

Stations of the Cross – 10 people attended Monea, 20+ people attended Boho, 24 people attended Derrygonnelly. Good reports, very prayerful.

Alpha course - Margaret attended a meeting on Tuesday 20th February.

Fr Seamus mentioned another course, Emmaus, Anglican based. It is intense and more work is involved, perhaps daunting. On further discussion, Fr Seamus will do a six week course in September/October. Another meeting will take place on Monday 19th March to discuss it further. We haven't ruled out small house meetings, encouraging the 20 - 35 age group.

FEAST DAYS

Blessing of Throats – went well.

St. Brigid's Day – there was a good supply of crosses in all churches and children made crosses during Communion time.

ST. PEREGRINE MASS APPRAISAL

Check the book for names not included in the read out list.

AGENDA

FIRST FRIDAY VISITS TO SICK

From now on, Seamus and Jennie Gallagher will alternate visits with Fr Jimmy on a 2 monthly cycle.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY

Usual Mass times in the 3 churches.

Botha music group and the choir in Derrygonnelly and Monea. (Yvonne)

Boho – local musicians.

Blessing of Shamrock – 6 people are required to present shamrock for blessing. (Margaret / Linda / Geraldine)

Anna Daly hopes to do some dancing.

HOLY WEEK

All parts for the Holy Week Ceremonies were distributed to the team.
All parish choirs were invited to be involved in the Holy Thursday liturgy.
Practise - Wednesday 28th March, 8pm.
Battery candles to be ordered for Holy Saturday Ceremony.

Palm Sunday – Would school children sing the Gospel account in St. Patrick's as they have done before? Yvonne to speak with Claire Maguire.
A donkey is available and a child will be invited to take part in the procession.
The blessing of palms will take place 10 minutes prior to Mass time.
Prayers of Intercession were distributed for all masses.

The following too responsibility for each of the Holy week ceremonies.

Holy Thursday – Geraldine / Marie

Good Friday – Derrygonnelly Ceremony, 3pm Pauline / Yvonne
It was agreed to use 1 cross only as it was thought to be more reverend.
Sr Edel will provide the cross and Pat Meehan provide the stand.

Holy Saturday – Derrygonnelly Vigil, 8pm - Anna Corrigan / Deirdre / Linda
Attendance lessened – why? Could children sing some of the psalms? Yvonne to speak with Claire Maguire. Exhaulted Prayer – Julie Anne Flynn may sing or Anna McGrail will read.

Easter Sunday - Boho – 7am Dawn Mass at the traditional site.
Preparations will be made accordingly by Margaret and Martina.
Breakfast will be available in the Community Hall after Mass.
Assistance will be needed.

Monea – 10am Mass (Linda)

Derrygonnelly – 11.30am Mass (Gemma)

Next meeting will be on Thursday 12th April at 8pm.

Pauline read the prayer and Geraldine will bring a prayer for the next meeting.

Meeting ended at 9.15pm.