

Church of Holy Name Pastoral Committee

Minutes of Meeting held on 27 SEPTEMBER 2011.

Present

Fr Pat, Tony Allinson, Jane Cavadino, Maria Sinclair, Pat Cadogan, Una Laverty, Maureen Carlton, Christine Firth, Josie Liddell, and Tom Jenkinson.

Apologies

Ann Michaud, John Howley, Kim O'Rourke, and Sean Quigley.

The meeting was opened with a short prayer.

The minutes of the last meeting on 17 May were accepted as a true record.

The minutes of the last Our Lady Of Kirkstall meeting on 24 May were accepted as a true record.

There were no Matters Arising.

Kirkstall Abbey Mass

This event was a huge success and the feedback has been positive. It was well attended and all present felt an enormous sense of history being made. It was appreciated that a tremendous amount of planning and work had gone into the Mass and thanks were expressed to all concerned. Fr. Pat has been asked to repeat this event so a straw poll was held. The majority of people thought that an annual event would detract from the specialness of the occasion. Most people felt that either 3 or 5 years was ideal. Upon discussion the meeting recommended that there should be an annual Our Lady of Kirkstall event and this should be held in each church in turn with the fourth year at Kirkstall Abbey.

Youth

- One young person from Holy Name has shown an interest in the Youth SVP, and one attended a recent weekend away. It is hoped more will follow.
- It is also hoped that this year's confirmation groups from each church will work together somewhat. An introduction to the Youth SVP might be a part of the process.
- Nothing further has happened with regard to meeting the current Youth Ministers firstly due to heavy commitments but also because two have just ended their tenure. This will be put on the back burner for a while until new incumbents have gained some useful experience.
- We felt it important to encourage our Youth to think about being part of the World Youth celebrations to be held in Rio de Janeiro in 2013. To set this off it was hoped that some of the ones who went to Madrid this year would tell of their experiences and help spread the word. Jane will work on this and Tom will get more details about 2013.

City of Sanctuary

Our Lady of Kirkstall will celebrate this event on 8th October, our patronal feast day. The event will start in Holy Name church at 6 .30pm. There will be songs from each school, a dramatic presentation by a group called Ice and Fire, then a short film about City of Sanctuary and what it means. After that we will transfer to the Hall where it is hoped there will be food brought by everyone to share. We

need to encourage people to attend and to this end Fr. Pat has sent out flyers at the churches and schools with a tear-off slip to complete by those who are interested. Holy Name Saturday evening Mass will be said in the school on this occasion.

New Liturgy

Due to the new translation being brought in there have been new Mass books printed in six-monthly cycles to cover the three gospel years. The Meeting was in favour of these books being provided for the use of parishioners.

Sylvia Wright

Sylvia will celebrate her 30th year in India next year and it was felt that as she had come from Holy Name Parish we should consider celebrating this in some way. She will be coming over twice next year so we will try to coincide with her visit if possible.

New Pastoral Committee Members

It is the time to recruit some new committee members and possibly for some of the longest serving to be relieved. We will do what we did last time and give out an explanatory sheet of what membership is about and ask for interested parties to make contact. A short appeal in church might be appropriate.

AOB

1. **Beyond Treasures Revealed** - 30 churches participated and the organisers felt it went well. They have asked for a nominee for Holy Name for 2012 and John Howley will be asked to continue.
2. **Journey Into Faith** - a planning committee had been set up to look after the spiritual needs of the whole parish and over the past three years has been involved in the arrangements for the visit to the relics of St. Therese of Lisieux, the visit of Julian Filotzovski and the Jewish talks on Inter-Faith dialogue to name but a few. The planning committee has suggested that in view of the number and range of initiatives there is a need for other planning sub-groups e.g. Justice and Peace. Family and Prayer, Inter Faith etc. The meeting was supportive but asked for some clarification as to what might fall under each group and how overlap and duplication could be avoided. It was suggested Ann Michaud prepare a short paper for the next OLK meeting and attend if possible. It might be appropriate to prioritise and perhaps start with one or two sub groups.
3. **Holy Name Seniors Christmas Party** - Helen Oliver who has headed up the arrangements for this for several years is stepping down so there is a need for someone to take over. Tony will speak to Helen to see if there is anyone waiting in the wings; if not a request will be made in the bulletin. Thanks go to Helen for all her hard work over the years.

Next Our Lady Of Kirkstall Meeting

This will take place on 18 October at St. Mary's. The representatives from Holy Name will be: Tony, Maria, Josie and Una.

Date of next HN meeting - Wednesday 25 January 2012 at 7.30pm

There being no further business the meeting was closed with a prayer.