



Our Lady Immaculate Parish Liturgy Committee

Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday 8 January 2014

Present: Canon Tony Charlton (Chairman), Jacques Lambert (Secretary), Elspeth Casey, Margo Martin, Mary O'Mara, and Rosemary Maranzano.

Apologies for Absence: Fr Tom Lynch, Pat Parker, Alyson Rodrigues, Shirley Rutter and Deacon Al Callan.

The meeting began with a prayer.

Minutes of Last Meeting

The minutes were an accurate record. Thanks were expressed to Elspeth for taking the minutes in Jacques absence.

Matters Arising

The Taize service, as part of the week of Christian unity, on Friday 24 January would be at 7.30pm. the choir would attend if they could.

Eucharistic Ministers

The next commissioning day is Saturday 25 January at the Cathedral. There were no new Eucharist Ministers this time round. It was hoped we could arrange a retreat day this year for existing Eucharistic Ministers.

Monthly Family Mass

The last Family Mass on 29 December went well. The next Family Mass will be on 26 January.

Christmas Review

a)The Christmas Eve 6.00 Mass, was very busy but went well. Indeed all the Christmas masses were well attended. The decorations were great and the individual stars on the Christmas tree was popular and a good idea.

b)The Christingle Service on Wednesday 18 December went well but there was a potential Health & Safety issue with lighted candles and the younger children. It was agreed that more helpers were needed and that we should repeat it for 2014.

c)It was suggested that we should also have a carol service for 2014.

d) The Christmas Tree festival at the United Reformed Church went well, 15 churches were involved and we raised £32.50 for HCPT.

e)New Years Eve/Day went well masses were well attended.

Any Other Business

a)Canon Tony, mentioned a note received from the Liturgy Office for England and Wales. A modified translation of the Eucharistic prayers for children using the new translation has been

approved by Rome.

b)Also the Bishops conference has agreed that musical settings using the old translation may no longer be used from Pentecost Sunday 2014. Parishes are asked to start planning for this now ahead of an official announcement later on.

c)The feast of Candlemas falls on Sunday 2 February this year. It was agreed that the rite of solemn entrance would be used, that is a procession with lighted candles from the narthex with the congregation holding candles.

d)12 January is the feast of the Baptism of our Lord and we would use the rite of sprinkling instead of the normal Penitential rite.

e)Canon Tony mentioned that this year was the 50th anniversary of the constitution of the Sacred Liturgy. And a CD & DVD had been produced. He would like to mark this event in the parish and a booklet called 'imbued with the spirit of the liturgy' by Rev J Brommer. After a short discussion we thought extracts could be put in the newsletter over a period of weeks. Copies of the booklet would be given to each member of the liturgy committee.

f)A thanksgiving Mass has been arranged for Fr Nicolas on Friday 17 January at 7.30 pm. It would be Mass of the day and Andrew would be playing the organ.

g)The date for the next church parade is 30 March at 11.00 am mass.

h)A member asked if we were doing anything to commemorate the outbreak of World War I. Nothing has been arranged so far.

i)It was hoped to have an evening Mass on 1st Friday of the month possibly at 7.30 pm.

j)The consecration sconces still had not arrived. Canon Tony said he would chase these up.

Date of Next Meeting

After a short discussion we agreed the dates for our next two meetings as follows:

Wednesday 5 February 2014 and Tuesday 4 March 2014

Both would be at 8.00pm in the Presbytery.

The meeting finished with a Prayer.