

Our Lady Immaculate Parish Liturgy Committee

Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday 3 September 2014

Present: Fr Tom Lynch (Vice Chair), Jacques Lambert (Secretary), Elspeth Casey, Margo Martin, Rosemary Maranzano and Mary O'Mara.

Apologies for Absence: Canon Tony Charlton (Chairman), Pat Parker, Alyson Rodrigues, and Deacon Al Callan.

The meeting began with a prayer.

Minutes of Last Meeting

The minutes were an accurate record.

Matters Arising

Fr Tom said that he had spoken to Stella Joseph about the flowers in the Lady Chapel and she would try and find volunteers to help put any flowers left there into water and remove any dead ones.

Eucharistic Ministers

Jacques reported that we had 4 new ministers for commissioning on 4th October at St George's cathedral. Their first training session is on 18th September. It was suggested that we have an annual refresher day for our Eucharistic ministers in addition to a day of recollection.

Monthly Family Mass

The next Monthly Family Masses will be on 28 September at the 9.00 mass as usual. Fr Tom agreed to let her have a copy of the bidding prayers so the children can practice them. The October family mass is Sunday 26 October.

Sacristan

Jacques explained that it was now a year since both Pat Parker and Ron Shelvey were no longer able to continue as Sacristans. Although an eye had been kept on consumables and supplies ordered, a lot of the preparation work and organisation of the sacristans' job was not being done. At least 2 adults needed to be found to cover this work, with one of them taking the leaders role. Pat Parker can advise what tasks need to be covered once people are in place.

Action: Fr Tom and committee members to think of possible names.

Service of the Sick.

We agreed that this would take place at 11.00 am on Saturday 27 September 2014.

Blessing of the Graves

We agreed this would take place on Sunday 16 November at 2.00 and 3.00 pm at Surbiton and Kingston cemeteries. Elaine would need to contact the Cemetery offices and let them know.

Advent

It was suggested that we discuss this at our next meeting when Canon Edward would be with us. Ideas suggested were the usual christingle service, reconciliation service and a possible carol service. **Action: Jacques to add to the agenda for our next meeting.**

Any Other Business

- a. Mary said that she would like to meet with our new Parish Priest; Canon Edward to discuss his music preferences etc. Fr Tom said that would be Ok. Mary is going to have a hip operation in the autumn and with Shirley not well either, this leaves the choir without a leader while she is recovering. Action: Mary to consider a replacement leader and maybe appeal via the newsletter.
- b. Margo said this was her last meeting as she was moving to Ireland. There was no one from the uniform groups to take her place at the moment but the group Scout leader would be our point of contact although Pat Askey could not attend herself.
- c. Andrew Richardson was looking after the music for Canon Tony's farewell mass.
- d. Jacques had been asked to raise the question about whether we should continue with Eucharistic adoration followed by mass on the evening of the first Friday of the month as only a small crowd attended. The committee agreed we should continue the practice.
- e. Elspeth said that she would only be able to attend some of the liturgy meetings on a Tuesday evening for the next year or so.

Date of Next Meeting

After some discussion, we agreed, that the date of our next meeting would be on Monday 13 October 2014 at 8.00pm in the Presbytery.

The meeting finished with a Prayer.