Catholic Parish of Hastings Liturgy Committee Minutes, Wednesday 8 February 2023 5.30pm in Parish Centre

PRESENT: Fr Paul, Fr Trung, Iosefo Nimarota, Bernadette Avison, Joan Thompson, Kathy Kavanagh, Catherine McGrath, Julie McCracken, Jasmi Joseph, Ronnie Lundall, Pat Taylor (Minutes Secretary)

Sefo welcomed Fr Paul and everyone to the meeting,

Before beginning meeting Fr Anthony's death mentioned. Sympathy expressed to Fr Trung. -The way he undertook proceedings was acknowledged. Fr Trung thanked the Marist Community for their support.

Opening Prayer: Parish Prayer recited by all

The Liturgy Committee members introduced themselves to Fr Paul.

OLOL Kathy Kavanagh, Catherine McGrath, Ronnie Lundall SH Bernadette Avison

SPC Joan Thompson, Julie McCracken Jasmi Joseph, Iosefo, Pat Taylor (Minutes Secretary

Fr Paul, a St John's College old boy, talked about his journey to priesthood, the places he has worked overseas also his family connection to Hawkes Bay.

As this meeting was a casual getting to know each other, the Minutes from November 2022 meeting will be moved at March meeting.

FR TRUNG: Caritas booklet available for those who wish to hold Lenten meeting. Also, on each Friday of Lent there will be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Reconciliation and Stations of the Cross from 7 to 9pm at SPC. Rite 2 Reconciliation will be held closer to Easter with Napier priests being asked to assist. Fr was asked about the inter church ministers' meetings. So far, he has heard nothing about this.

Fr Trung also spoke of the importance of each community gathering to celebrate their Feast Day. He was more than happy to help with these.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

ASH WEDNESDAY: Outline given to Fr Paul as to what happens in CPH for burning of palms for ashes. St Mary's School has carried out this ceremony for some time. Parishioners asked to take their old dry palms to Mass or Parish Office. Notice to go in Church Newsletter. Mass times for Ash Wednesday 22nd February are: 9.00am OLOL, 12.15pm SH, 5.30pm SPC

COMMUNION ON THE TONGUE: as long as the priest is comfortable with this, it is up to the individual if they wish to receive the Sacred Body this way. If Ministers of Communion not happy to do this, to ask the person to move to the priest for reception.

HAKA IN S.H. CHURCH: A concern was raised that St John's College students performed a haka in SH church at end of year Mass.

EASTER CEREMONIES: will be discussed at the March meeting. Also Palm Sunday

Sefo informed members that due to work commitment he is unable to continue on the committee. He was thanked for his time and input and wished well for the future.

Closing Prayer:

Reminders for Future:

Look at ways to engage RSE workers early in the season: Singing at Mass and use of own language

Book SPC hall for Easter triduum 2023 if needed

NEXT MEETING WEDNESDAY 1 March, 5.30 pm in Parish Centre