

The Catholic Parish of Hastings Liturgy Minutes

Thursday 6 August 2020, 5.30 p.m. in the Parish Office

Present: Jill Frizzell (chair), Bernadette Avison, Catherine McGrath, Mike Moloney, Fathers Marcus, Anthony, Trung, Joan Thompson, Moira Begley, Pat Taylor (Secretary)

Apologies: Bev Durney, Julie McCracken, Kathy Kavanagh,

Opening Prayer: Parish Prayer read by all

Minutes of Previous Meeting: The minutes of the July 2020 meeting were discussed.

Moved: Mike **Seconded:** Bernadette

Matters Arising from Minutes:

- **Holy Oils** - Only a small amount of Oils received. Discussion as to whether Oils should move around Churches as needed. Those received into the Church at Easter to present Oils at Mass
- **Altar-servers Training:** Trung indicated training was underway and going well. He would train those interested all at once. They should contact him. The question was asked re putting out of candles at the end of Mass. Trung has the authority and will train the boys/girls as appropriate.
- **Adoration & Benediction:** Was all go. Adoration and Benediction will be held on second Thursday of each month 7-8 pm SPC
- **Multicultural Mass:** John Stevenson who organised this Mass has retired so a new convener is required. There were often problems getting Prayers of the Faithful in time. Tongan and Samoan will look at music and all will be in English until the end of the year. Next Multicultural Mass is to be held on the 30th August. People will be asked to stay after Mass to discuss what they would like. Those involved should enjoy doing the job, not be stressed. To go in newsletter the week before, 23rd August.
- **Youth Mass:** Is working so don't fix it. The youth did the Mass at OLOL the previous Sunday. It was beautiful, they were well behaved and there was a good crowd.

Correspondence In: Eileen von Dadelszen asking if the Parish could organise a Mass to celebrate all who had died during the Covid-19 pandemic, the essential workers who kept us safe and those who died of the virus. After discussion the meeting felt a combined 'Thanks Giving' Ecumenical Service could be held with the other Church's in Havelock North. Fr Marcus to discuss it with the other Church Ministers

Correspondence Out:

PRIEST'S REPORT:

Fr Anthony:

All is going well

Fr Trung:

Is visiting schools and the hospital once a week.

Fr Marcus:

1st Communion: This year, due to Covid 1st Communion preparation would be done in the schools. All churches will have 1st Communion.

In 2021 Sacraments will be integrated into the Liturgical year. After Pentecost, Children's Liturgy of the Word, would be held after Mass for ½ an hour fortnightly.

1st Reconciliation will be held in Lent, Easter Sunday morning Confirmation and Communion. Mass then catechism will be held at one church. The hope is to engage with families who have a child doing the programme to be involved for a longer period of time.

Lucy Leitinen is looking to hold discussion group with parents from previous years First Communion children.

ALPHA: Is a lay led programme with the support of the Priests. Shaun Bell is running the programme – the hope is for those involved to be along another person – it is over 8 weeks with a final week conclusion. One does not have to be catholic to be involved.

Faaka is running ALPHA for Youth.

GENERAL BUSINESS

- **Diverse Cultures in the Mass:** To talk to the leaders of ethnic communities to see what they want. What are we doing at present and how effective is it? Marcus to talk with them. Priests to go out and ask them to join committees.
- **Children's Liturgy of the Word** Fr Marcus to talk to Alison Clarke about this.
- **Communion on the Tongue.** Fr Marcus mentioned that the hosts used now are much thicker. It was over to the individual person and the priest.
- **Feast of the Assumption:** Saturday 15th August. Mass 9 am at each church.
- **Music Meeting:** Wednesday 26th August in Mission Centre SH, 5.30 pm. All those involved as well as Priests asked to attend.

TO BE ACTIONED:

Fr MARCUS:

- To discuss with ethnic communities what they would like
- To advertise in church newsletter meeting after Multicultural Mass
- Contact Alison Clarke re Children's Liturgy of the Word
- Speak to Havelock North Minister re combined 'Thanks Giving' Ecumenical Service for all essential workers during Covid 19, those who died during that period as well as those who died of the virus

Next Meeting Thursday 3rd September 2020, 5.30 pm in Parish Office