

The Catholic Parish of Hastings Liturgy Minutes

Thursday 4 October 2018 7.00 p.m. at Sacred Heart Office

Present: Jill Frizzell (chair) Fr Vince, Fr Brian, Deb Lucy, Mike Malone, Tevita Fakaosi, Annette Moran, Moira Begley, Catherine McGrath, Bev Durney, Joan Thompson, Bernadette Avison, Trung Nguyen, Pat Taylor (Minutes Secretary)

Apologies: Catherine McGrath, Fr Nathaniel

Jill welcomed everybody.

Opening Prayer: Read by all

Minutes of Previous Meeting: The minutes of the September 2018 meeting had been circulated and taken as read.

Moved: Annette

Seconded: Fr Vince

Matters arising from Minutes:

Concern re Youth Readers and Cross Bearers at OLOL: Mike approached Susan Doohan about this. The problem will be dealt within the next roster.

Auckland Priest Sunday 7 October: Fr Vince said he is welcome to attend the Rosary but not to speak.

Priests Report:

Fr Vince: Oral report: He has visited the hospital and rest home as well as Anointing of sick. There had also been several funerals. Fr Nathaniel is away on holiday.

All ethnic groups are praying the Rosary this month. Some nights there has been 30/50 present.

Fr Brian: Oral report: We have Indian, Filipino, Maori as well as Rosary in other languages. How can we come together and support each other? It was felt they would feel more comfortable in their own environment.

Church is challenging – where do we go as Church and how. He had visited Auckland for the Ordinations to Diaconate.

Fr Nathaniel: On holiday.

Trung: Has visited other Parishes and fellow Priests. He was congratulated on his good homily that morning.

Deb Lucy Pastoral Assistant: St Vincent de Paul work should be talked about and their profile put out there. Began with 8 shops now 23 2nd second hand shops in Hastings and Havelock North. Let people know where the food is going, what variety of food is preferred, how many people help and that in winter, when the need is greatest, the shelves are often empty

Deb had earlier attended the Catholic school's convention attending several workshops. It surprised her there was no mention of the connection between the Parish and Schools. Our Priests attend school assemblies as well as visit classrooms.

Flowers in Praise was wonderful: Julie thanked Bev, Bernadette and Trung for all their help to make it a success.

Chair thanked Priests and Deb for reports.

Correspondence In:

Letter from Moira Drury expressing concern at wording in August Minutes about OLOL Church. There had been a complete misunderstanding over signs and issues at OLOL - the meeting acknowledged and thanked Moira for the voluntary work she does around OLOL Church. Jill to speak to Moira. The issue of dangerous drainage as well as loose tiles was also raised.

Letter from Janet van Hooijdonk with 3 questions - Friday "Way of the Cross Walk, could we have a Parish Prayer and Christmas Midnight Mass.

After a full discussion Kathy and Joan have offered to compose a Parish Community Prayer to be said at each Mass. Could be on overhead as well as on printed cards to give out.

Mass time for Christmas will be back to normal with Midnight Mass at SH and PakiPaki, The 'Good Friday Walk' will be looked into to see how this could involve other Churches now that St James has closed. Reply to be sent to Janet outlining the outcome of her letter.

Correspondence Out: Nil

General Business

Guidelines for Liturgy: Discussion placed at end of Agenda

Reflections for Advent Fr Brian: It was suggested to ask members of the community as well as school students to write Reflections. These could be collated in a small booklet and given out. Fr Brian, Jill, Kathy and Julie to look at this.

To explain about season of Christmas, meaning of Advent Wreath, lights etc. in newsletter. A wreath to be made for children to carry out at Children's Liturgy time. Bernadette to organise

Suggested that children to make their own wreath, bring into church to have blessed and then use in their own home. Anyone who wished could also do this. **This item to go in the Newsletter.**

Immaculate conception December 8th: The Marae was not available for the celebrations so they will be held in the Church, 10 a.m. Saturday 8th December. It is to be advertised well beforehand

WW1 Signing 100 Years ago November 11th: As this is a solemn occasion, it should be a sombre Mass. The National Anthem and possible the presentation of a wreath. To release balloons in all communities for "Peace". Something to be held in each community. Kathy/Mike at OLOL, Bev/Bernadette at SH and Julie/Moira SPC to help with organisation.

Mary Duggan Healing: Mary is a spiritual healer and would like to advertise in our newsletter. It was felt this was not appropriate – Fr Vince and Deb will write to her.

Music Meeting Date: Will be set by Fr Vince

Parihaka 100 Years 5 November: Prayers at Mass to reflect this event also to be explained in Newsletter. Maori flavour in music.

Christmas Mass Times in Communities: There will be 2 Vigil (SPC and OLOL) and 2 Midnight Masses (SH and PakiPaki) and Christmas morning as usual. To be confirmed at next meeting.

Advent & Christmas Symbols: It was felt we need new symbols 'Our world not /European world'. To involve more people, children, parents, grandparents. The Jesse Gifting tree is a sign of waiting, dead transferred to green indicating new life. To use New Zealand hymns.

Labour Day: Pope Francis has written extensively about this. Celebrating what has been achieved for us - Prayers of Faithful to acknowledge this

2018 Priests Assembly Christchurch: Fr Vince spoke of his experience at this gathering. Speakers were excellent and it was great to catch up with fellow priests.

7 October Rosary 3 p.m. SH: Ethnic groups could say Hail Mary with the response in English

All Saints Day 1 November: OLOL 9 am, SH 9.15 am (This could be St John's final School Mass – time may need to be changed, SPC 6 pm

All Souls Day 2 November: OLOL at cemetery 9 am, Mass at 10 am followed by a cup of tea. Madonna Maria 9.15 am, Mass SH 12.05 pm. 7 pm at Mangaroa & Hastings cemetery's

Safety Issues in Sacristy: To be aware of this issue

Mass Beginning on Time: Mass should begin on time even if enough Minister cannot be found when those rostered do not turn up. Priest could ask for volunteers.

PowerPoints for Mass: These need to be in by Tuesday to give Trish time to complete them

Anointing Mass: 15 November 2 p.m. This will replace Mass of the day.

1st Holy Communion Celebrations: The suggestion that there be only 1 combined celebration was not practical as there would not be enough room for everyone. To remain as is with each Parish having its own celebration.

Deb: Advised that the Parish Office would close on Thursday 20 December 2018 and re-open 21 January 2019

Guidelines for Liturgy: As this had been a very full meeting the discussion on this topic held over to November meeting.

Closing Prayer: Fr Brian

Next Meeting Thursday 1 November 2018 7 pm Parish Office

TO BE ACTIONED: