

# Catholic Parish of Hastings Liturgy Committee Minutes,

Wednesday 7 September 5.30 pm in Parish Centre

**Present:** Fr Anthony, Fr Trung, Bernadette Avison, Julie McCracken, Shirley Costello, Catherine McGrath, Pat Taylor (Secretary)

welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**Apologies:** Kathy Kavanagh, Moira Begley, Joan Thompson

**Opening Prayer:** Parish Prayer recited by all

**Minutes from August 2022 Meeting:** Moved: Bernadette 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Shirley

## Matters Arising:

**Romano** As Romano was not at meeting this held over until September  
**Key of sung music and volume of speakers at SPC**

**Moyra** As Moyra had apologised for meeting this will be held over until September - Inform **musicians of liturgical details of music**

**Julie:** There is no needs for a new mic at present. Concern was express at the occasional “crack/bang” noise coming through the system. Fr Anthony to ask Jean-Ann to get a technician to look at the board associated with the sound system. Singing groups to be asked to be aware of the volume of their music.

**October Feast Days:** October is the month of the Holy Rosary. On 7 October, feast of Our Lady of the Rosary, a procession to mark this feast will see a walk from SPC to SH finishing at 7 pm with Mass.

## Priests Report

### Fr Anthony

Fr reported there is still no Bishop for our Diocese.

Fr had looked at the Auckland Diocese guidelines for Liturgy Committees.

1. To be attune to the principals of good Liturgy and needs of the parish
2. Musicians and personal need some procedures. With the 3 community's, procedures are different in each. Prior to covid thing were going well but as yet are not back to normal. People need to feel safe enough to get back, to being involved. Cathy mentioned that it was Fr McAloon who trained OLOL so well.
3. To ensure needs are address and that formation takes place. What to do and how to do it is the question.

Fr had called a meeting for those doing Communion to sick and home bound but only 4 turned up.

Ministry of Hospitality to start up again. Times for SPC were difficult as both Saturday evening and Sunday morning Mass finishes at meal time. We need to plan ahead for community celebrations.

It appears the Diocese is at present reviewing the Liturgy Guidelines.

**Fr Trung:**

He welcomed 3 seminarians to New Zealand who are here learning English. People are asked to pick up a name at Mass and pray for that person.

He mentioned that Vocation Week went well with an article in the Welcome.

Fr Trung commented that in several parishes his brothers are involved in, there is no liturgy committee.

With regard to training altar servers – the children are very eager to train but then don't turn up – the lack of commitment from parents seems to be a problem

Priests to speak to children about taking on this ministry in the church.

**Correspondence In:**

**Correspondence Out:**

**General Business:**

With so many regular happenings set aside due to covid we need to let things go for now, pause, then begin planning for Advent. A new beginning. We need to pray, be positive and welcome people back to church.

**Closing Prayer:** Fr Anthony

**TO BE ACTIONED**

**Fr Anthony:** Speak to Jean-Ann about sound system at SPC

**Priests:** Speak to children about becoming altar servers

**All:** Get involved in planning for Advent

**NEXT MEETING WEDNESDAY 5 October 2022, 5.30 PM IN Parish Centre**