

Justice & Peace Minutes Monday 7th May 2014

Present: Laura Murphy, Solange Murphy, Pauline McEwan, Kathleen Darroch

Apologies: Natalie Finnigan; Pauline Eadie, Katie Murphy, Fr Doyle, Anne Moore, Connor O'Neill

1. Parish Talks

The Parish talks on Justice & Peace were very well attended and well received.

2. Food Bank

The group felt that the Food Bank was a success with a fantastic response from parishioners.

The crates were thought to have worked well although two may need replaced.

The group wanted to thank all parishioners who had helped out during lent particularly those taking food to Blantyre on a Tuesday morning:

Laura to send a message to newsletter reminding people about Foodbank -done

The next Food bank will be Sunday 18th May.

Rota for masses as follows:

- Sat Vigil - Katie
- 10am Natalie/ Pauline
- 12 noon Connor
- 6pm Solange

The foodbank will be monthly on the third Sunday. 18th May, 15th June then 21st Sept

It was agreed to take a break over summer.

3. Fairtrade

It was agreed to continue with 6pm mass to raise awareness of Fair Trade. The stall is often bare by 6pm.

4. Future Meetings

It was agreed that we need to set up regular meetings to ensure continuity of the groups work and to give everyone time to plan. It is proposed to hold meetings on the first Monday of the month starting Monday 2nd June. The next meeting would be Monday 2nd September and monthly thereafter. If this time doesn't suit anyone can you please let us all know so that we can set a mutually agreeable regular time.

Following very different approaches from Sr Maureen and Fr John Gannon the group discussed how our meetings would run.

It is proposed we have a set agenda as follows.

- Prayer/ Reflection
- Current Activities
- J&P issues for discussion (group to bring from news/ media/ elsewhere)

This is to be discussed at a fuller group meeting.

Next meeting Youth engagement and ecumenical approaches are to be added to the agenda.

Regards

Laura