

Present: Fr. Doyle, Solange Murphy, Anne Moore, Kathleen Darroch, Bert Daly

Apologies: Pauline McEwan, Laura Murphy

ITEM	INFORMATION	ACTION	DONE?
TRAIDCRAFT	<u>Minutes of Last Meeting</u> The approximate figure of £2,000 given as sales figures was in fact purchases from Traidcraft (Purchases approx. £2,300; Sales approx. £2,700 for last year).		
PRAYER/REFLECTION	We read a reflection by Paul McGowan (Pax Christi & Coventry J&P) on the Gospel of the 3 rd Sunday of Easter, and were given this to take home.		
SYRIA	A Pax Christi handout entitled 'Responses and Alternatives to military strikes on Syria' was distributed. This contained news articles from the previous six days, from various peace-loving individuals and institutions, including Pope Francis. It was then suggested that we have a Holy Hour for Syria at St Bride's. Father Doyle kindly agreed to do this on Monday, 23 rd April. This will be prepared by Fr Doyle and Anne, and will be a combination of Prayer, Music, Reflection & Silence. (Post-minute – The time has been amended to 7.30pm, as we have opened it up to other parishes.) WE ARE ALSO URGED TO CONTACT OUR MP NOW, TO CHALLENGE THE MILITARY ACTIONS TAKEN AGAINST SYRIA. A short video clip was shown on migrants and refugees, with the message from Pope Francis to Welcome, Protect, Promote and Integrate them. This was based on the Holy Father's Homily on 1 st January of this year, and copies of this were available to those in the group who were unfamiliar with the internet.	Fr Doyle/ Anne/ All All	
ROSARY ON THE COAST	Information on this to be included in the next parish newsletter. The focus of the Rosary Initiative is to pray for Faith, Life & Peace in our nations.	Fr Doyle	
SCIAF	Wee Boxes - £1,300 handed in to date. Monies collected up to 22 nd April to benefit from UK Aid. SCIAF event on 2 nd June – a sponsored walk around Strathclyde Park. This has been promoted by all the Scottish Bishops, and Justice & Peace Scotland plan to walk this in solidarity with people who have to walk long distances each day for water and for safety.		
TRAIDCRAFT	The last stall brought in £197. Next stall is 6 th May.		
FOOD BANK	There has been a very good response, and the new rota is working well. Easter Eggs recently donated by the school were acknowledged by a certificate given by the Food Bank itself. Next collection is 20 th May.		
SPUC	200+ have signed the petition at St Bride's, with more signing online. A speaker from SPUC will be addressing the SVDP Deanery Meeting, to be held at St Bride's Pastoral Centre.		
CONFORTI INSTITUTE	The course on Non Violence, organised by Conforti and to have taken place at Castlemilk has been cancelled due to lack of interest. Anne to meet up with Hugh Foy, Co-ordinator at Conforti, on Thursday 3 rd May to discuss a possible project and perhaps a visit by Hugh to our group.	Anne	
REFUGEE FAMILIES	Debate in Parliament 16 th March . Some of us had emailed or written to Angela Crawley MP. The Bill has now been committed to a public bill committee.		
LAUDATO SI'/ GAUDETE ET EXSULTATE	<u>Gaudete et Exsultate</u> – the recently published Apostolic Exhortation on Holiness by Pope Francis. A suggestion was made to read and study this text.		

	The book by Daniel O’Leary on <u>Laudate Si’</u> – An Astonishing Secret – was recommended for group reading at the last J&P meeting. This to be discussed at the next Spirituality Group meeting, and we hope to join forces to do this.		
SCOTLAND WELCOMES REFUGEES	Post Minute - This event was closed online the day after our meeting, due to all tickets being sold.		

Date of Next Meeting: Monday 14th May 2018

(Avoiding Monday 7th, a Public Holiday)