

## Minutes of Pastoral Team Meeting held on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> December 2025

- **Youth Ministry:** Presentation of awards for outgoing John Paul II student included 16 x Gold; 2 x Silver; 1 x Bronze. This was a fantastic group and have set the bar very high for this years group. Re-presentation of awards in Holy Cross on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2026. Commissioning of new John Paul II Group: Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2026 in Holy Cros and Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2026 in St. Mary's. A meeting was held on 19<sup>th</sup> November with new group. Parents were in attendance so they could hear what the group would be doing and also talk about safeguarding. 5 new adult helpers this year – 7 in total. The current John Paul II students – busy Christmas period: Remembrance Sunday, switching on of the lights in Lisnaskea, Santa Sunday, Concern Collection, Trocaire Gifts, Christmas Masses, Tully concert, Christmas cards to Gortacharn nursing home. The students will help at the 3 Christmas. Eamon and Canon Jimmy attended a Faith Formation Programme – possibility for post GCSE students. Altar Servers Christmas Party – St. Mary's hall. A lot of last year's John Paul II group staying on in ministry
  - **Parish Pilgrimage to France:** We want the bookings to be made through Joe Walsh – more discussions to take place. Posters to be sent by Joe Walsh for advertising. Possibility of John being main contact and taking on control of bookings. Information to be published in bulletin
  - **Remembrance Sunday:** Excellent speakers – people very impressed 36 parishioners – 3 candles left over. In Clones Parish, the Pastoral team have taken on the role of phoning bereaved families. Positive feedback to people phoning them and taking the time to talk to them. Add to our August 2026 agenda to have someone in to give a brief on listening
  - **Advent:** Reflection – trebled numbers on second night. Online numbers are combined with Sunday Mass numbers so can't decipher for the Sundy night reflection. Sunday speakers – positive feedback. A lot of men saying how much it meant to them. Tea after Daniel McDaniel's talk on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> December in Holy Cross. Invite all speakers to return to Holy Cross on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> for tea and a chance for people to chat to them
  - **Christmas:** all arrangements in place. Penitential Service on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> December at 6.00pm in Holy Cross
  - **Feast of the Holy Family:** Posters to be carried up by John Paul II students – 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> December. Working out logistics
- Date of next meeting: Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2026**