

Minutes of Pastoral Team Meeting held on Thursday 12th March 2026

- **Parish Pilgrimage to France:** Needed 50 people to make the trip viable

Only 17 booked. Trip canceled.

- **Youth Ministry:** A thank big you from the Pastoral Team to the JPPII students for their amazing contribution to the Stations of the Cross in St. Mary's during Lent, it was so beautifully and prayerfully done.
- **Lent:** The Chosen – going very well – 40 on average. Stations of the Cross – beautifully done. On Good Friday – The Passion to be shown in Holy Cross at 8pm
- **St. Patrick's Day:** Dancers sorted for both Churches. Shamrocks sorted and family to be presented with. Musicians sorted for both Churches. 43 babies baptized in the year gone past, all invited back for a blessing.

Discussion was held around being able to get more people involved in the Church events in our Parish. There is a change in generations and a lot of people only attend Mass when they have to. And while we are investing in tomorrow through our youth group, present services may have to be stopped because of lack of interest and attendance.

Holy Week 2026: Penitential Service on Sunday 29th March 2026 at 6.00pm

Palm Sunday: Children's Mass. Donkey organized for procession at Holy Cross. Procession to take place in St. Mary's.

Holy Thursday: Mass of the Lord's Supper presented by Faith and Light Community. Altar of Repose in St. Mary's from 8pm to 10pm with a led holy hour from 9pm to 10pm

Good Friday: JP II students will present the Liturgy except for the Gospe: Narrator and crowd and other needed: older people if possible.

Holy Saturday: JP II students will look after all ministries.

Easter Sunday: 9am St. Mary's and 11am in Holy Cross.

150 Malteser bunnies / cream eggs needed

Date of next meeting: Wednesday 8th April 2026