

## **Minutes of Pastoral Team Meeting held on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2024**

**St. Peregrine Novena:** Novena Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> May 2025 to Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2025. Need one more speaker. Mission team being brought on board

**Youth Ministry: Our new youth minister Eamon is doing incredible work.** Altar Server teams – 26 children in parish. Parents to be approached re Access NI checks. John Paul II – quite active, 18 in total. Have been helping out at the Relics of St. Bernadette, International Mass, helping at Masses held for Sacraments preparation, All Saints and All Souls day. Commissioning of the team to be organised. P4 Sacraments – helping at Masses at weekend. Street collections for Lisnaskea lights. Will be available to help at switching on of lights. Formal tuition in reading and becoming Eucharistic Ministers. Training course – Youthlink: course for young people to become youth leaders. Commit to training over a number of weekends. Also a possibility of attending Lourdes. We also hope to recruit a 2<sup>nd</sup> reading in both Churches at weekends – add to bulletin and approach schools.

**Relic of St. Bernadette:** Congratulations to all. Stewarding was fabulous. Procession through the town was fabulous. Suggestion of a trip to Nevers, Paris to visit the relics. 20-25 people. September / October 2025

**Blessing of Pets:** Smaller crowd than last year. Only dogs, no cats

**International Mass:** Not enough of our own local people stayed for tea. Opportunity for local community to meet with International community. Suggestion of an activity at the end of next year's Mass that creates communication. Vigil Mass at Christmas – a member of the Filipino community will sing

Next year – ask Beena to take charge of the International Community Mass and we will help put together. Also have international hymns in native languages. Build up each year – no Polish this year and no one for introductions

Plan in June next year so we can organise readers / change music. Knowledge of special days in international Church, eg, All Souls Day – procession and candles in graveyard. Tea in chapel – become the norm: 4 or 5 times in the year to have tea after Hospitality Team: 4 or 5 times in the year to have tea after Mass.

**November Prayer Service:** Bereavement team have met. 50 parishioners have died since this time last year. Paul from Cruse Bereavement will speak on the night. The Bereavement team currently greet the remains, pray the Rosary and say prayers at the graveside. Looking to recruit more people who are more available

## **AGENDA**

- 1. Advent:** Bishop Barron course on Catholicism – 12 sessions. Will decide on 4 to show in Parish Centre during the 4 weeks of Advent. Resource to increase our knowledge of our faith. 7pm on 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> December (Sunday evenings) – an effort to do something for Advent. Needs big promotion on Social Media and bulletin. ‘Chosen’: dramatization of the Life of Christ – the story of the Gospel. 20 – 30 weeks: show in the new year
- 2. Christmas:** Christmas Eve 6.00pm: Holy Cross. Midnight: St. Mary’s. Christmas Day. 11.00am: Holy Cross
- 3. Recruiting New Members for the team:** Vacancies – 1 or 2 new members. Younger people? 20-40 years old. People willing to make the commitment, be at meetings and get involved in tasks. People with contacts ‘added value’. We know the brief / what is involved – keep an eye out and think about suggestions

**Date of Next Pastoral Team Meeting: Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2024**