

MINUTES FOR JUSTICE & PEACE MEETING – 15 NOV. 2011

Venue: Beryl
Present: Beryl (Chair) Bishop Tripp, Barbara, Julie, Cathie.
Father Ignatius was welcomed to our meeting.
Apologies: Liam, Christine.

Prayer and meditation: Prayed to the Holy Spirit, and reflected on the parable of the talents.

Topics for Discussion: we agreed topics should be flexible rather than pre-set to enable us to look at current events of interest or of concern while these are fresh.

Fair Trade: Fair Trade Fortnight is in February. Barbara will contact Canon about suitable dates and Ann Towner regarding setting up the stall. Unable to find a poster to place in the kitchen to remind all that we are a FT Parish. In future our status as a FT Parish will be reported at every Parish Council meeting.

Prisoners of Conscience 20 Nov. Bishop Tripp will speak to Mrs Carter re the scouts helping with the Christmas cards at the 9am mass. Other masses were allocated to group members. Tom Kavanagh will talk about this event from the pulpit. Julie has bought the cards and done the labels and leaflets. Feedback at next meeting.

Peace Service: Bishop Tripp has completed a rough draft, with four themes (see draft copy) and format will be similar to last year. Margaret Redding will be asked to do the refreshments. Julie has produced posters and Beryl agreed to distribute these to the other churches to advertise.

Food Collection for Homeless: Barbara will consult Canon to confirm Sunday 29 Jan suitable. Still to ascertain where food can be stored and sorted.

Support for Peace Action Groups : Cathie confirmed that a group subscription has been arranged with Pax Christie. Further support for Peace activities to be discussed at a future meeting.

Ethical Activities: January - Clear out suitable items to donate to charity shops.
February- This month include another Fair Trade item to your shopping list
March - Print documents on both sides to save paper.

AOB: Christine's notes from a Church in Need meeting on persecuted Christians have been distributed to members to read for discussion at next meeting.

21 Nov. A talk on the Torture of Palestinian Children at the Irish Club, Hartfield Road. If any member manages to attend, they will report back at next meeting.

Next meeting: Tuesday 13 December.
Venue: Cathie, 75 Leamington Avenue.
Chair: Cathie
Minutes: Julie
Meditation: Beryl
Treasurer: £53.80. Julie to be repaid £32 for Christmas Cards.

Father Ignatius was thanked for attending and for his useful contributions.

Final Prayer: Grace was said.