

Saint John Fisher Justice and Peace Group

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Minutes of meeting: Tuesday 9^h January 2018 at 8.00 pm

Venue: 30 Eastway

Present: Sandra Carolan, Mike Carolan, Peter Nash, Teresa Pollard, Beryl Shannon, Julie Sheahan,

Apologies: Fr. Matthias, Viera Hamid, Marie Bullard, Barbara Harnett

Meditation: Julie led a meditation on last Sunday's gospel, the coming of the magi and the significance of this for the universality of the church.

Food Collections: We need to promote the food collections, possibly a speaker at the end of Mass and/or ask the priest to be sure to mention it the week before. We will also aim to put an interview with some recipients of food parcels in Talkabout.

Peace Service: Monday 1st January 2018 at 7.30 pm.

This was very successful, with a significant number of visitors from neighbouring churches. We need to encourage more St John Fisher parishioners to attend. People especially enjoyed the meditation on the word PEACE, with the children's letters. We will include this in the next edition of Talkabout. Sandra will email Julie the photo of the children with the letters.

We also collected £155 for Pax Christi.

Hopefully we can display the letters – or photocopies of them- next Sunday, Peace Sunday. Julie will give Fr. David the Pax Christi booklet for him to use in prayers on Peace Sunday.

Fairtrade Fortnight - Monday 26 February - Sunday 11 March

Julie will ask Anne Towner if she can do a sale one Sunday during this fortnight. We will also promote the Fairtrade Coffee that morning.

Ethical Actions:

January: Recycle as much as possible

February: Add another Fairtrade item to your shopping

March: Buy Fairtrade chocolate for Easter **April:** Buy and use a reusable coffee cup

Charity of the Year 2018: We will support St Anthony's School for Deaf Children in Uganda. Fr. Matthias will be visiting the school this month and bring back photos and a write up. We wish him a good trip to Uganda.

Treasurer's report: We circulated the bag. Sandra gave Julie £15 for refreshments for the Peace Service and £30 for membership of Pax Christi.

Any Other Business:

Next meeting: Tuesday 12th February 2018 at 8.00 pm

Venue: 30 Eastway Meditation: Beryl Chair: Mike

Grace was said.

Many thanks to Sandra and Mike for their hospitality.