



Saint John Fisher Justice and Peace Group

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Minutes of meeting: Tuesday 17th April 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

Meditation: Beryl shared with us an inspiring video entitled *The Stations of the Forest* outlining the destruction of the rainforest and the consequences for us all of this. She has copies of this dvd which she is happy to share with others. This led to discussion of the problems of the rainforests. We agreed to promote our activity of the month: "Buy and use a reusable coffee cup". We should all aim to "Live Simply". We should also support activities of the Woodland Trust, who are planting many trees in UK.

Food Collections: This month's collection for Faith in Action was very good, despite the holidays. The Parish also sent a donation of more than £200 from the Maundy Thursday Collection. Faith in Action are always very grateful for all donations.

Fairtrade Sale: Yet again, the Fairtrade Sale had to be cancelled because of snow. Julie will ask Anne and Father David if we might be able to hold a sale either on Sunday 3rd June, or 1st or 8th July. We need to avoid the rest of June because of First Communions.

Ethical Actions:

April: Buy and use a reusable coffee cup

May: Avoid using disposable wipes, use cotton wool or washable flannels

June: Grow your own salad - cress, lettuce, tomatoes, radishes etc.

Merton Citizens is to launch on Thursday 19th April at St Mark's Academy, Mitcham, CR4 1SF from 7 – 8.30. All are welcome. We should all watch out for information about this. James Potter and Wimbledon College are closely involved.

JPIC joint meeting: Saturday 21st April at St Hugh's Bermondsey. Peter and Beryl plan to attend the meeting organised jointly by Southwark JPIC and the Integrity of Creation Department of the Anglican Diocese of Southwark. There is a variety of speakers on Homelessness, Peace and the Environment. We look forward to their report next month.

Mary's Meals: A collection of Bedding and Clothing is planned on Sunday 13th May. We should look out for more information and aim to support.

Rosary on the Coast: Sunday 29th April. The parish is organising a coach to Portsmouth to pray for Faith, Life and Peace in the British Isles. Julie plans to go. We might see if Kirsty was able to join us there.

Treasurer's report: There was no expenditure. The bag was circulated.

Any Other Business:

Doctors are being asked to police whether immigrants qualify for healthcare and to ask for payment. Beryl will invite a speaker from Doc Cops.

Following our discussion at the last meeting, Beryl will make contact with Ellen Teague, who has written about the situation of Christians in Syria.

Data Protection: Julie has confirmed to the Parish Secretary that she holds addresses, phone numbers and emails of active members of the group, which are shared with other members, and email addresses of some others who have asked to receive the minutes. Nothing is shared with anyone outside the group.

Next meeting: Tuesday 8th May 2018 at 8.00 pm

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Meditation:

Chair:

Grace was said.