

Saint John Fisher Justice and Peace Group

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Minutes of meeting: Tuesday 10th December 2019 at 8.00 pm

Venue: 30 Eastway

Present: Sandra Carolan, Mike Carolan, Father Hyacinth Edokwe, Peter Nash, Teresa Pollard,

Julie Sheahan,

Apologies: Deacon Tom Kavanagh, Beryl Shannon,

Chair: Fr Hyacinth

Minutes: Julie

Prayer to the Holy Spirit

We spent a moment in silent prayer for Sr. Catherine.

Informing Ourselves: Fr Hyacinth led us in study and discussion of the introduction to Evangelii Gaudium.

We will read and study Chapter One, Sections 1 and 2 (pages 16 - 22) for the next meeting. Julie will again circulate points for discussion.

Informing Others:

Christmas Cards for Persecuted Christians: 300 cards were distributed. This was just the right number. Many parishioners welcome this activity.

Food Collection: Christian Care were delighted with the Christmas food collection and donations. They were able to make up eleven hampers that day, and with the cash can complete more. They will distribute 30 hampers altogether.

Peace Service: Pax Christi have produced a booklet but there is no theme from Pope Francis. There is mention in the introduction of all the 75th anniversaries this year, including the 75th anniversary of Pax Christi. Teresa suggested a theme of "Artisans of Peace", to include the founders of Pax Christi. Julie has made a poster which she will circulate. Mary Farrell may not be able to join us, we would like to ask Tim and Maggie Hayes to help with music, if anyone has their contact info.

We will include an activity for children, possibly a hymn to mime, and/or an acrostic of Love, for them to make letters for.

Fr Hyacinth, Teresa and Julie will meet at Julie's this Friday (13th) at 10 am to plan the service.

Peace Sunday: We will return the booklets to the Parish Office so they can be used for Peace Sunday, 19th January.

Charity of the Year 2020: Missio will be making an appeal in the Parish on 11/12 January. This is an opportunity to launch our support of this charity and involve the wider Parish.

Any Other Business:

Elections: Deacon Tom directed us to the RC Southwark web site for suggestions of issues to consider in deciding who to vote for. We have a responsibility to use our vote.

Date of Next meeting: Tuesday 14th January 2020

Venue: 30 Eastway

Chair: Mike

Meditation: Study of Evangelii Gaudium, Chapter One, sections 1 and 2.