

**Justice and Peace Group**  
**Minutes of the Meeting**  
**of Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2019**  
**St Augustine of Hippo, St Austell**

Fr Michael opened the meeting with a prayer. He was welcomed to the meeting and all present introduced themselves.

**Present** Fr Michael, Jackie Foster, Angela Alderman, John Ballard, Judith Pollard, Pat Whitehouse, Diana Cross, Anna Barrett, Patricia Kotwinski

**Apologies** none

**Minutes of the last meeting** were accepted

#### **1. CAFOD**

- AA said the **Harvest Fast Day** had raised a reasonable amount for CAFOD in spite of the delay in delivering the Fast Day Talks after Mass. She stressed the importance of the talks in maintaining the level of contributions.
- It was agreed the **World Day of Prayer for the Poor** (17/11/2019) would be marked by an enhanced Offertory Procession at all Masses that weekend.
- **Recycling for CAFOD.** AA announced that the last sack raised £73. Another sackful will be sent up soon.
- It was agreed that “**Cards for the Brave**” would be obtained, put out for signature and sent off to CAFOD partners and suffering communities.
- 3 members arranged to attend the **Faith in Action Conference** at Buckfast on 9th Nov.

**2. Holocaust Memorial Day - 27<sup>th</sup> January 2020 - 8.30 Mass** JB passed to Fr Michael the HMD Liturgy and Bidding Prayers used by Fr Peter in Jan 2019. PW suggested some ideas for a Memorial Flame to be completed by children and parishioners either during or after Mass. She would liaise with Fr Michael.

**3. Climate change** There was a discussion on ways of involving the parish in tackling this issue. The involvement of parish groups had proved effective in the recent “Creation Celebration”. Information and tips could be disseminated via the newsletter. JB said that getting the parish involved in the “live simply” award scheme might provide a suitable vehicle.

The issue of energy provision to the diocese was raised. This will need further investigation.

**4. Refugees** JP and JF would be going to Plymouth as soon as there was an adequate collection of items. JB was due to receive some bags from Truro parish the next day. PK had access to some curtain fabric.

#### **5. Homelessness**

- **The Advent Giving Tree** was outlined to Fr Michael who was in favour of the idea. It was stressed that the tree supported St Petrocs and the Refugees in Plymouth and that this was the only time in the year that an appeal for money and goods was made for these charities.
- **Friends of St Petrocs** This organisation had its origins in St Augustine’s but was not a church activity, although permission had been given to use church rooms. The current activities were outlined for the benefit of Fr Michael.

#### **6. Fairtrade**

- **Quarterly Fairtrade Stall** It was agreed to invite Caroline Rouse to continue the occasional fairtrade stalls at 4 weekends during the year.
- Fr Michael was asked if he could locate the **Fairtrade Certificate** which had been presented to the parish. He was also asked about displaying it.

## **7. Any Other Business**

- Members kindly agreed to attend the meeting **2 – 4 pm on Tues 10<sup>th</sup> September** to host the visit of a group from **Falmouth Churches Together J&P Group**.
- JB asked for photos of 'Creation Celebration' activities to send to Mary Conway
- PK explained that the **Tree Planting** to combat climate change would take place in the Spring
- The Companions of St Monica were adopting **Mary's Meals** as their charity to support in 2020. It was suggested that the J&P group might recommend this charity be nominated for **Lenten Alms** In 2020.

**Date of next meeting – 6.00pm Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December 2019 in Cuthbert Mayne Room**