

St Francis of Assisi Parish Pastoral Council

Minutes of meeting held on 19 January 2023

Present: Father David, Roger Maughan (Ch), Judith Kirke, Eva Gaskin, Elisabeth Hall, Rosalie Mans, Deborah Minnock, Roger Warren

Apologies: Rita Ford, Anthony Kirke, Di Mussert

1. Tuning in All participated

2. Prayer The meeting opened with prayer.

3. Minutes Minutes of the meeting of 1 December 2022 were agreed.

4. Matters arising:

Ukraine

7000 bandages have been made so far.

Gained 1 volunteer in the Maryland Room.

80 hot water bottles have been donated and need more. New bottles. Items to be placed in the box by the altar.

4 ply wool also needed for hot water bottle covers.

Toothpaste and toothbrushes also needed.

80 trips have been made to Ukraine.

The website to consult if you want to know more about how to help Ukrainian refugees:

<https://www.newforestforukraine.co.uk/>

Christians Together – Agenda for forthcoming meeting:

Safeguarding risk assessment.

Joint bible study group.

Unity week.

Coffee after Mass

Going well. People feel welcomed.

Plans for 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month.

Plans for 7/5 Coronation.

Draft Diocesan Strategy Plan – New Forest Pastoral Area

Awaiting final plan.

Ringwood and Fordingbridge might join New Forest.

Coordinating Pastor to be decided.

Magical Milford – Christmas trees looked absolutely beautiful.

Synodal PPC – Anthony to update.

When a big decision has to be made, then full Synodal decision.

5. Hymn Selector – Kate Boocock has announced her retirement, but has given us a pack of 3 years worth of hymn allocations to keep us going if needed.
Fr David to make a Thank You in the Newsletter and organise a Thank You present.

6. Joint Parish Events – Lymington, Brockenhurst and Milford.
The host Parish will organise the venue.
Activities suggested include a walk, a quiz and use of Milford Community Centre.
First one at Easter 2023.

7. Future Feast Days – Ash Wednesday 22 February.
Judith will order 100 cards for Easter. The Welcoming Team will hand out at Mass.

8. Sick List / Housebound / Any general concerns

MM has cancer.

ML– Eva took to the Spire for scan on knee and to see Consultant.

HS in our prayers.

DM improving but tired, now in her new home.

RF treatment on Thursdays.

9. Any Other Business

Rosalie will attend Lent Cafod meeting in Southampton.

Roger Maughan going to Africa in mid March.

Judith – James is going to Africa too, probably in August.

Date of next meeting: **Thursday 30 March 2023.**

Date of following meeting: **Thursday 8 June 2023.**