

## St. Bede's Parish Council Liturgy Committee 20<sup>th</sup> February 2018

**Present:** - Father John, Gabrielle, Andrew, Veronica, Patrick, Paul, Rosa, Monica, Amanda, Gail Michelle and Colette.

**Apologies:** - Siobhan, Angela, Alex, John, Kath, and Anne.

The Covenant of the Poor will be discussed at the next meeting.

**Lenten Day with the Lord:** - The flyer needs to be on the web site. Amanda is looking into ordering lanyards for stewards to assist on the day.

A cross is required and everyone to be asked to bring a penny to fill the cross. After going to confession [there may be some children making their first confession] the act of penance would be taking their penny to add to the cross. This signifies 'paying the price' the widow's mite- it is an act of giving – the coins are round to show we give and receive back. At the Mass stones will go around the cross.

During the Way of the Cross there will be 2 readings [Monica and Christine] and reflections on various Stations. Two youth could carry the cross which Austin Senior is making.

Joan, Gail, Michelle and Father will make soups. Christine and Eileen will serve drinks.

Amanda has purchased two flasks for self service refreshments throughout the day as helpers did not wish to miss events in church.

The choir will sing at 4.45 before the Mass. Gabrielle will assist with the school choirs as Amanda and Jenny are away. Laura hopes to bring some students from St. Bernard's who will play their musical instruments.

Depending on numbers perhaps only the students will bring up candles.

There will be booklets about Lent to read on the day.

**The Gospel of Mark: - 23<sup>rd</sup> March.** Refreshments will be served at various points in the church during the interval. We discussed the need for tickets but decided it was not viable. Amanda will advertise on the school bulletin. We may borrow the school staging and need to ask Jeremy to collect it and Jason Swan to stage it. **The microphones need to be checked to be compatible with ours.**

**Palm Sunday:** - the car park to be free to allow the children to process from outside with their greenery.

**Triduum:** - only a rota for Washing of the feet on Maundy Thursday will be required as the various co-ordinators will approach people personally for reading and ministering. The 'pyramids' will be brought forward at this Mass.

**Good Friday-** Office of readings at 9.30a.m.

Commemoration at noon - how can we involve the children – should they venerate the Cross? Could helpers from the children's liturgy be involved with the children as the early part of the service

is not child friendly-key stage 2 – aged 7 should be able to stay in the church. Helpers do not like to miss all the service. Andrew will select parishioners for the dramatization. Church will remain open until 3p.m.

**Holy Saturday:** There is a beauty in the starkness of the church on this day - there will be readings at 9.30a.m.

**Vigil:** - this really looks after itself. There will be 3 readings; there are no receptions or baptisms.

Christine will ask Eileen to cater.

**Easter Sunday:** - there will be one Mass at 9.30 and Lily Hopper will celebrate the Sacrament of her First Holy Communion.

During Eastertide other children will celebrate this Sacrament. The 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter a Tamil child will receive the Sacrament.

The next meeting will be on Tuesday 24th April at 7.15