

Meeting held at Holy Cross Church, Llangollen at 7pm on 28th January 2016

Present: Fr Moses Amune, Geoff Bullen, Sue Barnett, Geraldine Gilbert, Muriel Silverstone, Hanora Bircham, Helen Wiesinger, David Connolly

1. Fr Moses opened the meeting with a prayer at 7pm and welcomed Helen as a new representative for Ruabon

2. Apologies: None

3. Minutes of the meeting of 25th September 2015 were approved.

4. Matters Arising:

4.1 (Item 8b) The 'hotpot supper' is likely to take place in May.

Some young people from our parish are hoping to take part in the World Youth Day in Poland with the Pope. The diocese is to provide one third of the costs. The young people are to be encouraged to help fund their own expenses. Proceeds from the supper will be used to support these local youths.

4.2 (Item 4b) Brian Eadon is close to having a final figure for the cost of supporting a refugee family, based on renting a house in Ruabon. The local authorities have been made aware of our likely help. We believe that there are no refugees currently residing in our area.

4.3 (Item 8c) Maria Pizzani came to talk to the meeting about the work being carried out in Anglesey to make the laity more active in the life of the Parish. Someone from Anglesey is to be invited to give a 2 hour presentation to the PAC on Tuesday 15th March at Chirk at 7pm.

5. Easter Celebrations:

As last year with the exception that the Good Friday celebration will start at 3pm (earlier than last year)

6. Events planned for the year:

Saturday 13th February: Deanery Reconciliation Service at 10am at the Cathedral

Fr M proposed a parish pilgrimage. The meeting agreed that this was a good idea, and discussed going to Holywell or Pantasaph, with the weekend of the 4th of June as a likely date. **GB and HW to follow it up,**

7. AOB:

MS raised some issues from parishioners:

7.1 The timing of heating in the Llangollen Church – **Gail Favell to be asked to check the time clock.**

7.2 Disabled parking outside Holy Cross for the Saturday evening service – **the parishioner to be asked to approach the local authority.**

7.3 Occupancy of the Llangollen church house – the Priest that is living in the house is currently a member of our Diocese.

Fr M asked us to support:

2nd Feb at 7pm : Candlemas service in Chirk

9th Feb (Pancake Tuesday) at 4pm : an inter-church event at St Collens, Llangollen

Fr M said that he hopes to have a Year of Mercy prayer card featuring a picture of a painting from the church in Ruabon

SB is to circulate her copy of the AGM minutes.

A folder to be provided in each of the 3 churches to hold the AGM Minutes.

8. Next Meeting

Thursday 14^h of April at 6:30pm in the Presbytery, Ruabon

9. Closing prayer

HB closed the meeting with a prayer at 8:40pm