

Minutes of Pastoral Team Meeting held on Thursday 7th April 2022

- **Funeral and Covid Regulations**

Covid is out there in bigger numbers. At funeral the ushers are having to give out a lot of masks – nobody refused to wear them. It may be that they weren't locals. We must keep the message up, keep it going. Sundays are 100% adherence. As time goes on, there is greater relaxation in neighbouring parishes. We will announce at Masses that we are keeping our Covid policy as it is, but we will keep it under review. It is too soon to drop our guard now.

- **Parish Mission**

Signage has been organised to promote the Mission

- 3 stages over 3 months
- First sign: "Reconnecting"
- Second sign: "Aghalurcher Parish Mission 11th to 16th September"
- Third sign: "All Welcome"

St. Kevin's have designed a poster for social media. They will also put up a short bio on each speaker in the last weeks of August. This design will be used for details and flyers.

Invites have been sent to the 3 schools to design the cover for the Mission Booklet

The Mission schedule will be as follows:

7am Mass	St. Mary's
10am Mass	Holy Cross*
7pm	Holy Cross

Our 2 primary schools will have a school Mass at one of the 10am morning Masses
One in St. Mary's and one in Holy Cross

The primary school children have been invited to compose a children's Mission prayer for the booklet. Each prayer that is written will be displayed in the Church. A number of the prayers will be randomly selected to be written into the booklet

The Mission Prayer is being written by members of the Parish Mission team
Faith and Light will be invited to join the last night of the Mission – Friday night
Hymns will be included in the Mission booklet

- **Net Ministries**

The team took part in Confirmation ceremony and in First Penance for all schools

All P7 pupils completed a survey and they were most positive towards the team

9th May is the last visit for this team from Net Ministries

Decision taken to hold a going away party / acknowledgement for the Net Ministries Team on Sunday 15th May after Mass in the grounds of Holy Cross. This will also be for P4 and P7 children. All children will be invited, especially P4 and P7 children

A face painter, burger van and an ice cream van will be made available.

- **Lent: Stations of the Cross and Monday night guest speakers**

Monday night guest speakers

Positive comments received regarding the Monday night guest speakers
Poor turnout in Church, 250 watching online. Worth doing again

Stations of the Cross

24-27 in attendance every night in St. Mary's
4-5 in attendance every night in Holy Cross
Poor numbers watching online – average 20
A lot of work goes into these nights
Prayerfully done

- **Easter**

All times and liturgies were discussed.

Date of Next Meeting:

Thursday 5th May 2022 at 7.00pm in the Parish Centre