

St Francis of Assisi Ohariu Parish

Meeting Notes & Decisions

Leadership Formation Team

18 March 2019, 7pm Johnsonville Presbytery

Present: John L, Marushka C, Paul B, Thomas D, Judith M, Paul W, Anna MH, Pete R
Apologies: Paul A, Kitty M, John K, Shane D

- Opening Prayer: Pete Roe
 - Action Log Update
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1. Parish Communications

Conversations synthesis completed by Mike Fitzsimons. On review, comments from Mike himself and material from Synod 17 would be removed to allow the document to focus on the conversations solely.

Gain bio details from Mike to include with synthesis (PA)

Parish story/narrative approved for publication.

First series of Q&As to be drafted this week.

LFT agreed to make widely available both the parish story/narrative so far and subject to changes noted above, the parish conversations synthesis.

Work on initial Q&As drafting to begin

2. Parish Mass on 17 March

Discussed and recognised as a wonderful Parish event

The LFT wants to acknowledge the fantastic Parish Mass on 17 March and the commitment of many people who made it the success it was.

Special thanks due to St Andrews Choir and Liturgy people - and to Challenge 2000

3. ADW Formation Day 12 March

Attended by 6 LFT members

Opportunity given to present briefly on progress so far.

Interest expressed in the model going forward and recognition of work being undertaken.

4. Finance & Building Update

Recommendation received on insurance cover for parish. Anticipated increase in premiums expected via ADW but no date set.

Confirmed short term tenancy has started at Khandallah Presbytery.

The LFT approved existing insurance cover for the parish is retained for the 12 months from 1 July 2019.

5. Procedures for Baptisms and Funerals

Draft procedures received from Kitty. Thanks provided to Kitty for the work these documents would have taken.

The LFT approved the draft procedures as working documents.

6. Parish 'Transition Manager'

Position description being drafted (PA)

7. Use of St Andrews for interdenominational liturgy on Sunday 24 March discussed. Agreed that can be made available subject to compliance with conditions. A M-H to liaise with organizers.

8. Proposal for lay reflections every third Sunday discussed and declined in meantime. Agreed that too early for this and formation of those giving reflections AND parishioners needed first.

9. 6th April Leadership Formation Morning - if to be effective we need clear agenda and precise facilitator

10. Young Adults - agreement that a "Youth Forum" or "Young Church" entity needs to be established with real say in parish affairs

11. Finances - as matter of urgency PA, Fr Tim D and SD need to meet with ADW to clarify and resolve financial affairs of parish.

Also:

Brief update on RCIA from Pete Roe.

Agreed that this ministry needs attention before it starts in September 2019 - trained catechists needed.

Email from Kevin McCormack and Young Adults meeting deferred to next LFT meeting.

Next meeting: Monday 25 March, 7pm at Johnsonville Presbytery.