

## St. Joseph's Liturgy Group 3rd March 2025

### Meeting Notes

**Attendees:** Fr. Greg, Karen Morris, Jenny Gallagher, Alicia Tindal, Mary McGinley, Alan Morris, David Lonnen, Mary McKenzie, Clare Thomson

**Apologies:** Ann McKelvie

#### Preparations for Lent and Easter

- Stations of the Cross will take place on Fridays each week rather than Mondays.
- Palms ordered for Palm Sunday (arrived). Palms to be given to the sick and housebound along with a small Easter gift (funded by SVP).
- Helensburgh Walk of Witness will take place at midday on Good Friday.
- Service of witness at St Serf's church (ruins) Levensgrove Park – 12.00 on Good Friday.
- Holy Week and Easter Vigil – Rosneath parishioners have advised that they will arrange their own transport.
- Additional Good Friday service at 5.30pm in Rosneath, so no Friday evening service in St Joseph's.
- Readings and Readers for Holy Week and Easter – Clare to co-ordinate with Fr Greg on details and numbers.
- Music – Alicia and Mary to liaise with Fr Greg on plans and options.

#### Parish BBQ

It was agreed that we should revert to June for the parish barbeque, with a proposed date of 29<sup>th</sup> June (schools finish 1<sup>st</sup> July and the primary school fair will be on 31<sup>st</sup> May). Details to be discussed at next meeting.

#### Eucharistic Ministers

Invitation to existing ministers included in bulletin for last few weeks, eliciting some responses. We now need to establish rota – *Claire liaising with potential volunteer to co-ordinate this.*

#### Parish retreat/pilgrimage

Carfin explored, but not an option (hall and facilities closed).

A potential alternative is Schoenstatt Spiritual Retreat centre, near Balfron. The shrine is a designated place of pilgrimage for the Holy Year. Propose to do this later in the year as a way to mark Holy Year – potentially May? *Alan to explore dates.*

Prices for coaches obtained.

Could explore extending to other parishes in pastoral area.

#### New Psalm Settings / Missals

Clare to enquire about availability of music/psalm settings.

Alan to enquire about missalets for Holy Week and Easter to enable full participation.

Screens – AV supplier to provide a quote for installation of 2 screens. If viable, we need to consider who might manage the content – potentially a task for one of our younger people.

### **Altar servers – protocols**

Clarity has been requested for readers when accompanied by altar servers. It was agreed that the altar servers meet reader at sanctuary steps, both bow and then move to lectern. The same to be followed in reverse after the readings.

Need to check whether any altar servers will be available for Easter services and if so clarify roles.

### **Looking Ahead**

First Communion and Confirmation – Clare to liaise with Alicia and Mary re: choice of music.

Reception with the Archbishop after confirmation in the presbytery. Need to arrange catering. Numbers also to be confirmed (to include: Teachers, PPC, choir).

### **AOB**

Women's International Day of Prayer is celebrated on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> March - details and parish representation to be confirmed. *Mary McGinley to action.*

Different versions of the Stations of the Cross are available for use – e.g. SCIAF, SVP and Pope Francis versions. Copies shared.

Next meeting 12<sup>th</sup> May 7pm (tbc)