

Parish Youth Council Meeting 25th January 2018

in St Mary's meeting room 3.30-4.40pm

Members: Zac A, Aimee C, Lucy C, Isla D, Thomas G-I, Harrison H, Kennedy Hull, Tilena J, Ines M, Elisha N, Mia R, Niamh S, Norbert S, Eleanor T, Katelyn W, Lucy W, Natalia W.

Present: Zac A, Aimee C, Lucy C, Harrison H, Kennedy H, Tilena J, Thomas G-I and Mia R.

Apologies: Norbert S

Leader: Mia R

1. **Opening prayer.**

2. **Welcome game:** the members chose Wink Murder!

3. **Reports:**

- **The Event:** Tilena J reported to the members her response to the visit. It is good fun. There were loads of activities and prayers. She believed those who attended would recommend it.
Challenge cards from The Event were given out. The challenge is to do a random act of kindness to help someone in need.
'The Event' will take place in our Partnership Area during the Mission.
- **Youth Club:** The Youth Club on January 18th was cancelled, because of the weather.
- **More Than Music:** Those who took part said they enjoyed doing it as it was fun and they would like to do some more liturgical dances for the Family Masses. Others who were at the Family Masses and saw the dances said they too would like to be involved.
- **Mission:** Ann informed the members of the dates of the Mission in primary schools (week starting 26th February), in the Parishes (week starting 5th March) and then in St John's 14th – 22nd March.

Members described what happened when the Mission Cross, which was made by St John's staff, came to their school. Ann explained that the cross will have a plaque attached to it, for each Parish and school in our Partnership so all the names of the schools and parishes will be displayed on the cross by the time it reaches St.

John's. All Parishes will have a family Mass, following St. Mary's format, during the weekend after the Primary Schools' Mission Week.

All families are invited to Mission preparation day on Saturday 3rd February, from 10.00am until 3.00pm.

The date and time of the Family Night are still to be confirmed.

4. **Parish Youth Council T-Shirt's Competition:** There will be a winner from St. Wilfrid's entrees and a winner from St. Chad's entrees. An overall winner will be chosen from these two. They need to decide a colour for the T-shirts and a simple design. The members discussed possibly combining the badges from St. Wilfrid's, St. Chad's and St. John's to make a badge design for the t-shirt.
It was also suggested we could also have a motto on the t-shirt.
The GIVE Group will design an entry form.
Possible prizes might be a small cross, &/or sweets/Easter eggs. It was decided that the Competition will be launched after the half-term holiday and it will close one week before the Easter break, on 16th March 2018.
Fr. Dennis and the Parish Youth Leaders will decide the winners and the results will be announced after the Easter break. There will be a prize for the winner at St Chad's and the winner at St Wilfrid's schools and then an overall winner will be decided between the two school winners.

5. **Thank you:** Mia was thanked for leading the meeting.

6. **Next meeting:** provisionally 8th March 2018 – to be confirmed once the Mission timetable is published. Ann will email schools and the parents of the members if an alternative date or time is to be arranged.

Elisha is to lead the next meeting.