

Justice and Peace Meeting

21st June, 2006

Present: Cathie, Tom, Kirsty, Angie, Julie S.

Apologies: John, Julie K, Liam,

Chair: Cathie

Meditation: Julie

Minutes: Julie

Minutes of Last Meeting:

Discussion of an alternative event to the **multicultural evening** was deferred until next month when Liam can report.

Cafod box: Tom is happy to see any poster above the box. It was agreed that the donations chart be placed above the box and from the end of June Tom will write up the totals collected, including the Canon's donation, every two months.

Action: Tom, Kirsty

Project Peru: Kirsty will confirm the date with Carol Hudson and advise Julie.

Recruitment of New Members

We were delighted to welcome Angie to the group. Julie's draft article was amended and is attached (still in draft form), to be finalised at the next meeting. David Honour will then set it out attractively for submission to the Editor of Talkabout. It was agreed that when advertising our meetings in the Fisherman's Herald, the Chair should include a welcome to new members and a name and phone no. for people to contact before coming. At the next Council of Churches meeting Tom will ask if anyone from other churches might like to join us.

Racial Justice Sunday is on 10 September. As Tom will be preaching at all Masses that Sunday, he will preach on the subject. He will also submit a Bidding Prayer. There will be the usual collection after Mass.

One World Week (and Week of Prayer for World Peace) 22 – 29 October

This should be discussed at the next meeting. It was suggested that rather than adding bidding prayers, all the bidding prayers could be translated and read twice, in English and another language. Cathie has a World Map, it was hoped John could set this up and we could again invite parishioners to identify their country of origin. This was very successful a number of years ago.

Peace Vigil 31 December It was agreed that we would hold this again. Last year was particularly successful. The format of the service to be discussed at the next meeting.

Informing Ourselves

Cathie brought a copy of the Church of England report "Faithful Cities". This can be found at: www.catholic-ew.org.uk/cn/06/060524c.htm All members to read this for discussion at the next meeting.

Action: All

She also circulated two publications from the Columbans, The Way of Peace, a newsletter from the New Zealand Columbans which can be found at <http://www.columban.org.au/?MID=200510192816> and a very informative publication Vocation for Justice published by the UK Columbans and available on subscription. Information at <http://www.columbans.co.uk/page7.html>

Noticeboard

It was agreed that whoever is Chair each month should be responsible for the noticeboard that month. Furthermore, anyone posting a notice on the noticeboard should at the same time remove the oldest notice to avoid overcrowding.

Next Meeting: Thursday 20 July at Cathie's, 75 Leamington Avenue

Chair: Liam

Meditation: Kirsty

Notes: John

The meeting ended with a prayer