

**Saint John Fisher Justice and Peace Group**

<http://www.sjf-justiceandpeace.org.uk/>

**Minutes of meeting: 11<sup>th</sup> April 2017 at 8:00pm**

**Venue:** 30 Eastway  
**Present:** Mike Carolan, Sandra Carolan, Viera Hamid, Peter Nash, Teresa Pollard, Julie Sheahan,  
**Apologies:** Fr. Matthias, Barbara Harnett, Liam Harnett, Gloria Paszek, Hazel Pucino, Beryl Shannon,

We noted with regret that Beryl is no longer able to attend meetings but will continue to support us. We thank her for all she has done for Justice and Peace. Gloria has also resigned from the group. We wish them both well.

**Meditation:** Teresa read an extract from St Luke's passion, focussing on the forgiveness and mercy shown by Christ.

**Food Collection:** Teresa took the collection to Faith in Action who were profoundly grateful for the food and the cash. Julie will put a notice on the board and send to the newsletter passing on these thanks. The Flying Penguins are looking for a charity to support; we will recommend Faith in Action.

**Ethical Actions:**

**May:** Turn down the thermostat

**June:** Avoid products containing palm oil or buy products labelled "sustainable" palm oil

**July:** Use your own cup for coffee, avoid disposable cups (Sandra will check the wording of this campaign)

**Merton Priory Peace Centre:** No progress within Parish. Merton Priory Trust now has the finance for Stage 1 of their project and will put glass on the frontage of the site. The Garden is part of phase 2. If this is to be a Marian Garden, contact needs to be made with Merton Priory Trust.

**Refugees / MyRaynesPark Festival**

There is a free concert in Morden Park on Good Friday at 7 pm, of music written by and performed by Refugees. Poster attached. Julie will put poster on noticeboard.

Peter has received from Tom Underwood of Raynes Park Community Church the programme for My Raynes Park Festival, this is available: [here](#)

[Refugee Week events.docx](#)

They are looking for volunteers for:

- Distribution of programmes to houses in Raynes Park
- Helping with refreshments on Sun 25th June or Sat 1st July.
- Helping at the community fun day 'Raynes Lark in the Park'. Anybody who helps at this event will need to already have a DBS check

Anyone able to help should let Peter or Julie know.

Julie will send the programme to Talkabout.

The Salvation Army are also hosting a Syrian refugee family in Merton.

**Treasurer's report:** We have £129.60

**Any Other Business:** Viera mentioned that she is now involved with the Beaver Group. This is a very useful contact with the parish Scout group who have always supported us.

**Next meeting:** Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2017 at 8.00 pm

Venue: 30 Eastway

Meditation: Peter

We thanked Sandra and Mike for their warm hospitality, despite building work.