

## Minutes of meeting 17/01/16

Present: Joan, Andrew, Tony, Bernie, Julia, Fr Michael, Susan

### Financial report

Balance after all donations approx £1077.69

### Donations

In last quarter we have donated £1000 in total to Medaille Trust, Wateraid, H&N Diocesan Destitute Asylum Seekers fund, and Save the Children refugee fund.

We usually make a Christmas appeal donation on behalf of the parish, but have not done this yet for Christmas 2015. Previous years we have contributed to a medical outreach team (CAFOD) and a water pump (Save the Children). All to think about who we could support this year, to do some research and bring suggestions next meeting.

People's Kitchen have requested a list of specific items that they need including items of clothing, clean underwear, towels and others. It was decided to have a collection for towels for a month and potentially to roll this out on the longer term. Julia to check and arrange logistics with Peter and Andrew/Julia to put notice in bulletin.

### Review of Prisoner of Conscience cards

Thanks to those who brought in cards, mince pies and mulled wine.  
50 cards sent. Donations covered post plus a couple of pounds (used towards mulled wine for next year)

### Speaker

Joan to arrange a speaker from Traidcraft for March, or when possible.

### May sale

Date set for 21/22 May.  
Same weekend as the St Stephen's First Holy Communion so slightly less space available.  
Therefore stalls: Plant, homebake, DVD and tombola only.  
Notices about planting seeds to start going in bulletin as of now.

### Summer concert

Suggestion to have the Newcastle Concert Band this year (<http://www.newcastleconcertband.org.uk/index.html>)  
Julia to arrange for end of June/beginning of July.

### Diocesan J&P Coordinating Council News

AGM set for 23 April at St Charles Gosforth, 9.30-3pm. Speakers Catherin McKinnell and Anna Rowlands.

The diocese has become a founding member of Tyne and Wear Citizens.  
Launch of organising hub in Newcastle on 16<sup>th</sup> Feb.

### Date of next meeting

April 17<sup>th</sup> 2016