

Reports for Parish Pastoral Council Meeting 7/11/2016

Area of Activity	
Our Lady's Bereavement Team (Antonietta Tinney)	
Activity since last PPC meeting	
<p>A meeting on 28 September was attended by almost all the members of the Bereavement Team and Fr. Tom.</p> <p>The team is now stronger with two new members.</p> <p>A programme has been decided for the various activities we wish to carry on for next year.</p> <p>Our coffee morning has been booked for 4 December</p>	
Suggestions for change/improvement/issues to be addressed	
It is important to have regular meetings (the next is on 16 November). Our aim is to have a strong team for supporting parishioners in need of our "ministry".	
Objectives set	Who
To make our team more known within the parish. Continue to send sympathy cards to the newly bereaved families. Also to send cards on the first anniversary.	All

Area of Activity Report on Ecumenism for Parish Council CTH meeting held on 21/09/2016 At Holy Saviour Church	
Activity since last PPC meeting	
<p>Greetings and congratulations were extended to Dan Drew on his Ordination as a Deacon in the C of E and Nigel Williams on his Induction as New Testament Church of God Luton District Overseer.</p> <p>Matters arising from the last meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - It was noted that TTIP The Transatlantic Trade and Investment Program is probably dead according to all the Churches and to President Hollande of France. - 	
Report from the Executive on 16th September 2016 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - There has been a meeting between CTH representatives on their Healing Ministries to see what can be learned from each other's experiences. - The need for a rota of Hospital Visitors was acknowledged - It was requested that all CTH churches be brief when sending in their notices 	
Christian Aid <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Report on the House to House collection, 15-21 May – The total was £17,950 of which £7,798 was gift aided - Week of Action on Climate Change, 8-16 October – there was a suggestion of a letter and email writing session might be held at Christchurch 	
Other Items from Members <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Extra Smile Project is lacking sufficient volunteers - Follow up to North Herts Ethnic Minority Forum meeting on Syrian refugees, John White reported that lots of people attended, 2 Syrian families have arrived in Letchworth, The Police have appointed a new Hate Crime Officer to deal with problems some locals might have with refugees. It was suggested that letters might be written to P. Lilley on the resettlement of refugees, Soft toys could be collected for the children and some people could offer to house them in their own home, help could be offered to teach them English and a web site could be set up. - Seminar on Male Suicide Awareness, 1 October, Half day on Male Suicide in the morning of 1st Oct at Strathmore School 	

- Conference on Domestic Abuse and Child Exploitation on 15 October at 9.30 at Letchworth Garden City Church
- Update from the Foodbank, Trish Bonnett said she will produce posters for each church on what is needed for the Foodbank, also there was a conference on Laudate Si – Care for Creation on Sat am

Forthcoming Events

- Music Praise is at Our Lady's on 16th October at 6.30
- Carols in the Market Place on 11th December at 4 pm
- Request for a Church to organise a Prayer Tree at Holy Saviour Christmas Tree Festival on 9-11 December
- There will be a Bike and Hike day in 2017

Other Items

- There was a session led by Mission Direct, the International Christian Voluntary organisation now based in Hitchin in Bury Mead Road. This is 12 years old. It is an ecumenical group and it has adopted a Mission to go out the poor in other countries building schools or whatever is needed. Volunteers go out to projects for 2 weeks at a time.

Next meeting – The Annual General Meeting – Thursday 17 November 2016 8 pm at St Mark's. This will include a session on the work of Hope UK in local Schools.

Suggestions for change/improvement/issues to be addressed

Objectives set	Who

Music Praise – This annual CTH event was held at our church this year on Sunday 16th October. It was well attended and choirs from several churches sang beautifully. These churches included Walsworth Road Baptist, Hitchin Christian Centre, St Mary's, Our Lady's, Built on Faith Bibleway and St Mark's.

It was an uplifting occasion and it would be good if more of our parishioners could take part in future.

North Herts Inter-Faith Forum AGM – This was held on Thursday 20th October at Walsworth Road Baptist church. DC Becky Driscoll who is the Hate Crime Officer for Stevenage and North Herts gave a talk on her work.

I went along because there was a talk on the Sunni/Shia division in Islam. This was given by a Shia man and a woman Anglican minister who had lived and studied in Iran. They concentrated on the historical disputes in the early days after Mohammad died about 1350 to 1250 years ago. It was about who should lead the new Faith. Since about 1100 years ago neither side has had a leader type figure analogous to the Pope and so many years later it is a puzzle for non-moslems as to why there is so much enmity between the two major branches of Islam today.

I was disappointed in the talk as the divisions were rather glossed over suggesting that there were many mosques in the world where both sides happily used the same facilities for their services. No doubt this is true but it seemed that everything was rather sweetness and light and I felt as the Americans say that they were rather in denial as to the problems.

With most problems in life we cannot begin to address them if we do not start from trying to honestly understand what is behind them.

We Christians have had to acknowledge our history of schisms especially around that between Eastern and Western Christendom in the 11th century and the Protestant Reformation in the 16th. We have no moral high ground here to stand on but the whole world needs to understand better what is going on in the Islamic world.

Area of Activity – Finance Report

Activity since last PPC meeting

Diocese Accounts

The Diocese Accounts for 2015 (which include the Parish Accounts) have now been signed-off by the External Auditors and so the Hitchin Parish Accounts for 2015 will now be published.

Parish Finances

The Parish Accounts for the 9 months through to the end of September 2016 show an operational surplus of £18,007, which includes a legacy of £10,000 and is broadly in line with the budget forecast for the year.

A number of unavoidable property repair and maintenance expenses are in the pipeline but we continue to benefit greatly from the efforts of volunteers particularly those in the Maintenance and Gardening teams.

Parish Audit

The Parish Audit will now take place on 29/30 November 2016.

Financial Challenges

The paper presented at this year's Financial Conference, which describes the challenges facing the Diocese, has now been published on the Parish website. Amongst other things, it explains the compliance and control environment within which Parishes must operate consequent upon increasing regulatory and financial control demands emanating from the Charity Commission and the External Auditors. At Parish level, this impacts upon all areas of management but particularly cash handling and cash security arrangements, authorisation for and approval of expenditure and extends into oversight of Parish Group activities, control over use of Parish facilities and compliance with insurance cover provisions.

Property Working Group and Grove Road House Project Team

The Finance Committee continue to participate in and support the work of the Property Working Group and the Grove Road House Project Team.

Suggestions for change/improvement/issues to be addressed

Objectives set

Who

Area of Activity Health and Safety

Activity since last PPC meeting

Smoke and heat detectors / alarms have been sourced and fitted in various locations including: Upper & Lower Committee Rooms, the Hall Kitchen and the Vestibule area, outside of the Toilets. The kitchen alarm is a heat alarm, the other three are smoke alarms. They are linked so that if one alarm goes off, they all go off. For example if there's a fire in the kitchen - the committee room alarms will sound.

Three emergency evacuation stretched are now on site and fitted in location. One to exit the Scout Hut, one to exit from the hall back up through the link and one to exit the church up by the Sacristy. A drill was carried out last Saturday 5th November to confirm their suitability for purpose which was successful. Some simple instructions are to be made and placed next to the stretchers and the various user guides (e.g. for the hall) are to be updated and users made aware.

Preparation has started ahead of the annual Precision H&S inspection and the upcoming internal Diocesan Audit.

Internal Diocesan Audit - 29th/ 30th Nov 16
 Precision Annual H&S Inspection – 7th December 16
 Precision Annual PAT testing – 9th January 17

Suggestions for change/improvement/issues to be addressed

Objectives set

Update folders / action reports ahead of upcoming inspections / audits

Review last year's action plan for any actions that can be resolved ahead of the upcoming inspections

Update policies for stretchers and fire / smoke alarms

Who

Richard

Richard / Trish

Richard

Area of Activity Inter-Faith Relations

Activity since last PPC meeting

Declaration of Human Rights by the World's Religions:

Leading religious scholars representing the major world religions have issued a declaration saying it is imperative that religions be a "positive resource for human rights". The Declaration of Human Rights by the World's Religions was released 15 September in Montreal, Canada at the 3rd Global Conference on World's Religions after September 11. See communication from the World Council of Churches:

<http://www.oikoumene.org/en/press-centre/news/declaration-of-human-rights-by-the-world2019s-religions-issued-at-global-conference>

The AGM of NHIFF was on 20th October, we had as guest speakers: DC Driscoll from the North Herts Police, that came to talk to us about the increase in hate crimes of many forms (race, religion, disability, homophobia, gender, ethnic, etc) and what they are doing about it. She re-iterated the invitation to faith communities becoming "Hate related crimes reporting hubs" and receive their training on offer. Later Revd Bonnie Evans-Hill and Ali Sheriff spoke on the theme of Islamic Sunni/ Shi'i divisions from both Christian and Muslim perspectives.

Fr. Tom joined the committee and accepted the nomination as its vice-chair for the next 3 years.

On October the 22nd, a small group from the current committee paid an introductory visit to the nearest Hindu temple, the Hindu Mandir and Community Centre in Lewsey Farm. From that visit a current member of that community and Hitchin resident has joined the committee.

On Wednesday 2nd November, at St. Peter's in St. Albans, I attended "*Scientists of Faith: Personal Perspectives*" with contributions from a Christian, Jewish and Hindu speaker on they relate their faith and their science.

44th International Conference for dialogue amongst Jews, Christians and Muslims in Europe - February 20th-26th 2017 in Vallendar, Germany, on the theme "Migration - a new normal". Michael and I don't know if we will be able to attend it yet, but will see...

"Understanding Islam" residential course for Catholics living and working with Muslims, which will be led by Father Damian Howard SJ a current lecturer at Heythrop College, and will be held at Focolare Centre for Unity in February 13 – 16th, 2017. Poster on display.

Suggestions for change/improvement/issues to be addressed

I continue to offer my services and support for the organisation, and look forward to sharing this role with Fr. Tom.

Objectives set

Who

DME/

Area of Activity Justice & Peace

Activity since last PPC meeting

Pope Francis' "Show Mercy to Our Common Home" message for the World Day of Prayer for Creation included adding **"care for our common home" to the list of the works of mercy**. May all our parish financial and development decisions be evaluated by this latest yard-stick.

In our parish, the 34th One World Group AGM will be on Monday 7th November at 7.30pm in the Lower Committee room. This year our speaker will be a woman who has been helping to welcome and settle refugees from Syria in North Herts. Her talk will include suggestions of how we can help in this essential work. All are welcome.

I will not be able to attend the **Proclaiming the Mercy of God: A CAFOD retreat**, on Saturday 12 November, 10am-4pm Amigo Hall, St George's Cathedral, Sothwark. When supporters will be gathering together to reflect on the Year of Mercy as it draws to a close.

Sat 19th Nov, the NJPN Open Networking Day 10.30 - 16.00 at CAFOD, Romero House, London SE1 7JB. With report on the Rome Conference on *Nonviolence and Just Peace* by Pat Gaffney, General Secretary, Pax Christi.

Also: Sat, 19 Nov, 10.30am-4.00pm **Church divestment and investment skill-up day** a free event organised by Operation Noah, at Friends House, 173 Euston Road, London NW1 2BJ. A skill-up day for climate campaigners, local church treasurers and finance officers, members of religious communities and anyone interested in how church investments can work for a brighter, cleaner future. Anyone interested???

Sun 15 January 2017 the date for Peace Sunday which is on the theme "Nonviolence: a style of politics for peace". Promotion leaflet and prayer card are ready. It would be just and right for our parish to use that weekend to raise funds for the work of Pax Christi and use as it may be possible the material prepared: <http://paxchristi.org.uk/news-and-events/peace-sunday/>

Finally from **Progressio's** Martin McEnery Chair of Trustees: *I am writing to you to let you know that at a meeting on 14 September 2016 to discuss the conclusions of the recent consultation on Progressio's future, the charity's trustees and myself as chair took the decision to begin proceedings to close Progressio.* (Part of Caritas – UK)

This decision has been taken with deep regret, on the basis that we have not been able to secure sufficient levels of income to ensure a viable future post March 2017. It is our intention to as far as possible complete all project and partner commitments through to the end of March 2017 alongside our Global South partners.

I would like to record that it is a pity that this organisation has had to resign itself to being closed down, it was doing a lot of good around the world among very needy peoples.

Suggestions for change/improvement/issues to be addressed

Take part and involve the parish in the “Good vs Bad Climate Change Investments” campaign gaining momentum at present and into next year – Can the parish host such an event at an ecumenical level, possibly during Lent???

Objectives set

Who

PCC/
DME

Liturgy Report for Parish Council 14 11 2016

End of Jubilee of Mercy –will merge to this year’s theme ‘**The Joy of the Family**’ which will be reflected in sermons and liturgies during the liturgical year.

Advent & Christmas

Christ the King (20th Nov) – End of the Year of Mercy and closing of the Holy Doors. Also National Youth Day.

10.30 Mass – will include parish Uniform.

5.00pm Mass – will involve Confirmation group. Mass will have a Youth Theme.

1st Sunday of Advent – Children’s Mass - Mass will focus on Mercy and ‘The Joy of the Family’.

November is the month of the Holy Souls

Remembrance Sunday – 13th Nov - In Memoriam service 6.15 pm.

Carol Service – 18th Dec – with the parish choir

Christmas Eve Nativity Service – 4.00 pm. Nativity gifts will be for Homestart and Food Bank.

Christmas Vigil Mass – 9.00 pm –

Christmas Morning – (Sunday) **8.30** will be organ mass. **10.30 Mass** -

St Stephen’s Day – 10.00 Mass with St Stephen’s Guild of Altar servers.

Fun Sunday 8th January - with Epiphany Party. – Choir to lead 10.30 Mass

End of Jubilee Year of Mercy – on feast of Christ the King. The new Liturgical theme is ‘**The Joy of the Family**’

Youth Ministry – Maeve – the first Fun Sunday attracted 52 youngsters which was a good start and was enjoyable. Preparation for communion to be part of Fun Sunday with Our Father and handshake of Peace before entering the church.

Parish Prayer – this is being rewritten by the Pastoral committee and will be included at the foot of the Intercessions sheet. To be introduced on 1st Sunday of Advent.

Live Simply – Mike will inform the committee of any emerging themes for 2017 which could be then be incorporated into the liturgies. The embracing of the theme of Creation within sermons is appreciated. 8-16th October is Climate Change week.- Cafod Inspired.

11th October – Eucharistic Service will have Creation as its theme.

Ministries: Many are in need of help

Choir – more male voices are need for the choir.

Music Group – looking to encourage musicians from school alongside others within the parish. Still going strong.

Technical Support – Mike share different type sets to assist readers which the committee will look at and feedback. Plea for young people / confirmation group to help with technical / sound system.

Eucharistic Ministers –MC will give tabernacle key to EM to bring ciborium/Reserve to the altar. At weekday Mass – Ciborium will be brought down by server.

After Communion – EM's to consume the wine before washing the chalice with water. Teresa to highlight this in the EM guidance / training booklet.

Readers – Annual readers meeting and reflection to take place on 27 February 2017.

Pairing of Adults with young readers seems to be going well.

Readers to be alerted beforehand about special occasions (baptism) which may affect readings /prayers.

Altar Servers – need to recruit MC's as there is likely to be a struggle in 2017.

Guild of St Stephen – William would like to pass on this administration.

Sacristy – Vanda-. Great job in clearing the sacristy of unwanted items. Fr Tom to commission Vanda as parish sacristan. Altar-linen, help needed to sort and clean; Candlesticks need to be cleaned.

Children's Liturgy – a well-established team; a few volunteers have left; need to recruit some more; to consider Confirmation candidates as helpers or from Youth Ministry? Some of the Team are happy to increase their number of sessions.

Our Lady School - Fr Tom to check with Ciara Nicholson (Head) their preferred dates and level of involvement in those liturgies.

Parish Diary Dates – 13th Nov – Memoriam Service – 6.15

4th Jun 2017 – Pentecost – 40th Anniversary of move to new church

11/12th March 2017 – Bishop Paul's pastoral visit.

Area of Activity LiveSimply	
Activity since last PPC meeting	
<p>.No formal meeting has taken place since the last PPC meeting. Coffee Mornings have been booked for 2017</p> <p>Parish Wild Flower Garden has now been extended thanks for help from volunteers who were involved with the Community Garden project. The Gardening Team managed to dig over the new area and plant more wild flower seeds. In addition spring flowering bulbs have been planted to add colour before the wild flowers bloom.</p> <p>Parish Community Garden successfully implemented with help from Glaxo volunteers.</p> <p>Laudato Si: Very successful Laudato Si Care for Creation Event took place on 24th September with representatives from CAFOD, Westminster Justice & Peace giving interesting talks. Various groups such as Friends of the Earth and Christian Climate Action had display stalls.</p> <p>International seminar via internet and Laudato Si Reflection workshop in London attended by one of the Laudato Si animators.</p> <p>Creation Rosary in the week running up to St. Francis feast day was cancelled as no-one turned up.</p>	
Suggestions for change/improvement/issues to be addressed	
<p>Reaching Out to local 'Eco' Groups: Some contact made during the Laudato Si Event on 24th September but further contact needed.</p> <p>100 livesimply Ideas Review: to be continued at next meeting due 3rd December</p> <p>Parish Wild Flower Garden: Small wooden fence to be erected around the area, being funded by livesimply group</p>	
Objectives set	Who
Keep monitoring the energy usage of the parish over the next year.	DME
Discuss the marking of UN World Environment Day (5h June 2017) at Eucharistic Service with Trish	AMM
Plan a series of Climate Justice & Social Justice events starting February 2017	DME/ AMM
Identify when local litter pick events will take place	PJ
Research office equipment timers	JS
Design & produce plaque for Wild Flower Garden	AMM/DW
Make contact with other local 'Eco' groups to share ideas etc.	AMM
Investigate feasibility of encouraging participation in Woodland Trust scheme	AMM
Continue review of 100 livesimply Ideas	LS Team
Find sustainable (preferably local) source for small wooden fence for Wild Flower Garden and arrange purchase.	AMM

Area of Activity Maintenance	
Activity since last PPC meeting	
<u>Summary</u> Please note the number of jobs done by many parishioners - esp, but not limited to John Chamberlain, Philippe James , Mike Eltringham and Tony Brennan.	
<u>Activity since report of September 2016</u> 0411_1/ car-park-patches (with Tony Brennan and Brian The Bulldozer) 0311_1/ rat bait stations round scout hut for foodbank 0311_2/ fixup flower-arrangers' Advent stand (JC) 0311_3/ troubleshoot - and fix dodgy heater in ScoutHut (JC) 3010_1/ replace accoustic foam in lectern and altar microphones (MikeE) 3010_2/ repair and refurb AV projector/audio cabinet (MikeE) 2910_1/ replace scout hut window glass...from Charmaine-List 2910_2/ refer remainder of List to Oliver / BuildingServices team. 2810_1/ excellent safe&secure racking- gardening tools Hermitage (JVC & D.Whit) 2210_1/ remove busted carpet from Fr.Euloge's room (w' Philippe) 2010_1/ source and install evacuation stretchers (JVC) 1910_1/ attend and check cleaner's false-alarm dripping tap in hall kitchen 1210_1/ add more magazine/large book shelving in library corner (JVC) 1110_1/ fail to fix hall-kitchen urn-waterheater ... GSI 0610_3/ Dyson vacuum drive belt 0610_2/ downstairs loo seat busted ParishHo. - something in the water? 0610_1/ repaint Fr.Tom's room (w' Philippe and David Wilson) 0110_1/ downstairs loo seat busted in GRH 0110_2/ Hall Thermostat rigmarole for Bethany & Bridge Clubs 3009_1/ ThoelkeFamily pew-splinter 3009_2/ Sacristy fetch,mend,carry,bracket fixes (JVC) 3009_3/ bigsize broom fix (JVC) 3009_4/ bigsize VAX fix (JVC) 2709_2/ work with GSK Volunteers (w' David Whittaker & Helen Bailey) 2709_1/ scout hut door hook and wall damage (David Whittaker) 2609_1/ cable loose in sacristy corridor 2109_1/ superior shelves & picture in library corner (JVC) 2009_1/ mic-stand rack in server sacristy (JVC) 2009_2/ source padlock for new shed (JVC) 1209_1/ pre-paint scout hut walls - before GSK volunteers 1209_2/ big cross hooks onto parish house (w' JohnC) 1109_1/ source new lawnmower (JVC)	
Suggestions for change/improvement/issues to be addressed	
<u>Outstanding Maintenance Snags</u> 0/ wheelbarrow/lawnmower store for Fr.Tom < jc - in process > 0/ non-slip test has failed - GRP panels will be ~£150. 0/ finish painting Fr.Euloge's rooms	
Objectives set	Who

Area of Activity Outreach

Activity since last PPC meeting

Outreach to Community

Mass at Gosmore still delayed until after the recovery of Roger Hyde when Teresa will be available. There has been insufficient time to prepare for this due to current work load.

Proclaim 15

Youth ministry team have held 4 events very successfully. Next phase of the project will be focused on after the work is completed for the Diocesan audit and Health and Safety inspection.

Other tasks

Liturgy

A range of issues which need to be addressed. There is a need for volunteers in many aspects of ministries in the church to sustain them. It is intended to have a drive for volunteers in the new year.

The year of Mercy finishes and we will focus on the Joy of Love for a theme for next year. The new parish prayer will be introduced for Christ the King weekend.

We have hosted a number of prayer events praying for victims of disasters which have been attended by members of other churches.

CTH Music Praise

We hosted this event at our church.

Justice & Peace

We hosted the Justice and Peace conference on 24 September and I chaired the meeting. We made commitments to look at measures for energy saving in the home.

Health and Safety

The Health and safety work is still underway but will be complete in time for the inspection in December.

Safeguarding

This work is still ongoing also. We have been informed that we now have to pay for all volunteer DBS checks.

Michaelmas Fair

Successful fair and jumble sale yielding over £5,200. It was a great occasion bringing many parishioners together and a very effective fundraising event. The jumble sale was most successful and brought in money from outside the parish.

Links with Our Lady's school

First session of Pilgrims took place on 31 October. 18 youngsters attended. Will see if those numbers continue.

Move

Quite a lot of time has been spent packing up the house and supporting the move of Fr Tom to new rooms. Many thanks to John Scott and Phillip James in their work to prepare these rooms.

Suggestions for change/improvement/issues to be addressed	
Need to continue with the Proclaim 15 projects.	
Objectives completed from last report	Who
Youth project launched this Sunday coming.	HB
Objectives set	Who
1. Health and Safety documents completed by end of November	TB
2. Safeguarding DBS checks completed by end of November	TB

Area of Activity Sacramental Preparation	
Activity since last PPC meeting	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Baptism course imminent – healthy numbers have signed up• The Reconciliation and First Holy Communion course is now under way and seems to be going well• The Confirmation course has also begun; many thanks to Maeve and the catechists for organising and taking the candidates to Laserplanet as an ice breaker. The first session went well.• RCIA – the pre-catechumenate is almost over and the lectionary based sessions will follow. We have got two enquirers and a candidate for adult Confirmation. It is good to be stably housed in the Lower Committee Room (I feel there's a Jesus based joke in there but it's not quite close enough to Christmas).• Marriage preparation is also imminent. The diocese is running courses for catechists for this sacrament, to reflect Amoris Laetitia. Jon and Lucy Bonnett (our catechists) have both attended one and I am due to go later this month. <p>The number of people applying for marriage preparation is growing rapidly. Currently, we host two days per year; it seems likely that we will host a third one in future and I am in dialogue with Jon and Lucy about this. The number of parishes in the diocese offering catechesis for marriage appears to be dwindling. We could do quite well out of this!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• A good proportion of time has been spent in working towards moving out of the office we presently occupy. Trish and I have filled the garage with rubbish. It's not over yet. Anne Collins has been liaising with us about the new premises, for which we are both grateful.	
Suggestions for change/improvement/issues to be addressed	
I have learned some valuable lessons about the administration of the First Holy Communion programme; these will be implemented next year.	
Objectives set	Who

Area of Activity Website
Activity since last PPC meeting
Nothing new to report

Area of Activity YOUTH	
Activity since last PPC meeting	
<p>Youth Ministry team has organised 4 events for children in our parish and so far all of them proved to be very successful.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The first was a Sunday Funday on the 18th of September – 52 to children attended in age from 16 to 11 months. It was a fantastic start and the team received a good and encouraging feedback. 2. The second event was a Children's Mass on Sunday 23rd of October at 10:30 where children played a very active role in planning the mass and contributing throughout. 3. The third event was the All Hallows Eve Party held in the parish hall – huge success – 59 children attended. 4. The forth one was a Sunday Funday on the 6th of November – again a great success with 39 children attending. <p>We now have 107 children registered in our parish Youth Ministry database.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. The next Children's mass is on 27th of November. <p>Westminster Youth Ministry upcoming events:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Summit – GET-TOGETHER – 11 November 16' WYM is hosting a youth event aimed at those aged 14-18 – chance for young people to socialise, share meal together, learn more about their faith and be introduce to deeper level of prayer and adoration. 2. Attentiveness of the Heart – SEMINAR – 12 November 16' The day is a forum for young people seeking to integrate mental health and spiritual issues and those who care for them: chaplains, ministers, counsellors, and mental health professionals 3. Ruislip Youth Mass – MASS – 24 November 16' Thursday 7-9pm Bishop John Wilson is celebrating the mass; there will be a social in the hall afterwards with food, drinks, games etc. 4. Life in the Spirit (LSS) – SEMINAR – 26 November Shalom Catholic Community is hosting an event known as LSS 5. Youth Mass – MASS – 9 December 16' – <u>All parishes are asked to encourage representative of their youth and young adult constituencies to attend.</u> 	
Suggestions for change/improvement/issues to be addressed	
<p>With regards to Youth Mass on 9th of December in London, our Youth Ministry team decided that they are not in position to take a group of young people to the Youth Mass, but would like to promote and organise a trip to Flame 17' event in March 2017.</p> <p>Decision was made to we should advertise and make everyone aware that Youth Mass is going ahead, where and when.</p> <p>The Youth Mass has already been advertised in the parish newsletters few times and a poster of the event displayed on the notice board for some time.</p>	
Objectives set	Who
1. Reinforce spreading the word and encouraging young people in our parish to join WYM at Youth Mass in December – annual celebration of	TP/TB

youth – by weekly advertisement in the parish newsletter and in announcement on masses.	
2. Find out from our Youth Ministry team what support and help they need in organising a trip to Flame 17' in March next year.	