

## **Chaplaincy meeting: Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2017**

**Present:** Fr Neil, Sr Rachel, James Moroney, Rob Stuart, Maria Corey, Hana Kubkova, Ilaria Dallan

**Apologies** received from : Dominic Cain; Eadaoin Quinn

We reviewed the timetable for the term ahead.

It was agreed that the Postgrad and Staff group should start on the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of term (10<sup>th</sup> Jan), and the 1<sup>st</sup> House Prayer & Fellowship on the second week ( 16<sup>th</sup> Jan); this allows both students and staff/post grads to attend the Taize evening at St Margaret's Church on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> January at 6pm, which will mark the start of the week of prayer for Christian unity.

The 'True' event will take place at Leaf on Bold St on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January

The LJMU **refreshers fair** on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> Jan is an opportunity for the newly LJMU registered CathSoc to have a stand.

There is a similar event at the UoL Guild on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> Jan, it was agreed that the CathSoc committee should decide whether it is worth CathSoc being represented.

Fr N said that last year Dom and Breige had spoken at the end of 7pm Mass in the Cathedral Crypt (which a number of students attend) about the chaplaincy, after Mass they spoke to number of people and it had been a worthwhile exercise, and one worth repeating.

Shrove Tuesday is on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> Feb; a pancake night social event should be repeated.

The retreat at Sandymount is from Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb – Sunday 25<sup>th</sup>

### Faith Development

Alpha seems to have gone very well, with consistently 14-18 participants. A number of people have expressed interest in the Beta course; Fr N has deliberately not finalised the format yet, since he has been waiting to see who wishes to take part and what their needs are.

Visiting speakers: Only small numbers came to hear the 2 speakers we have welcomed this term, we discussed how this might be addressed, it was suggested that social media might be used more to promote these and a variety of suggestions were made.

### Liturgy

Fr Neil suggested that it would be good to have a 'liturgy meeting' to talk about Mass; particularly music, but also things like how to develop ways of allowing people to have their prayer intentions represented at Mass. Discussion ensued, which it was agreed could be followed up in the liturgy meeting.

We discussed whether it might be worth holding a Lent Service of Reconciliation; but this may be redundant since there is usually one in the course of the Sandymount Retreat, which falls this year during Lent.

### A.O.B.

SPUC have made us aware of their Pro-Life Youth conference in March; Fr Neil has said he would be happy to promote this by poster and leaflet.

Faith Express: Fr Neil updated participants briefly on the ongoing discussion about how best to use the F.E. facility. It might be good if a few students could come over to F.E. sometime next term to see it, since most students have not actually been there.