

Department for Christian Life and Worship Liturgy Committee — Annual Report 2009

Membership

Rt Revd Alan Hopes *Chairman*

Ms Ann Blackett Moynihan

Revd Dr Andrew Cameron-Mowat sj

Revd Philip Gillespie

Revd Tim Menezes

Revd Dr Peter McGrail

Revd John Meredith

Mgr Philip Moger

Revd Michael O'Boy

Mrs Gillian Ambrose *Church of England Observer*

Mr Martin Foster *Acting Secretary*

The Committee has met four times in the year: three times in London and once in Leeds.

Committee Projects

At the beginning of their term members of the Committee identified a number of areas of work for development.

- Formation for bishops and other clergy (initial and on-going)
 - Liturgical Spirituality — Mystagogy
 - Presiding — leading the assembly in worship
 - Preaching
- Sunday
 - Sunday's liturgy as Source and Summit, as 'fountain of grace' for the week

After some initial work the responsible Committee members recommended that the subject of presiding be remitted to the Formation Subcommittee.

Liturgical Texts

Roman Missal

The Committee has assisted Bishop Hopes with comments on the Supplement Green and Grey Book. It also reviewed the proposed adaptations to the Order of Mass and Proper of Seasons and the Music for the Roman Missal.

The Committee has also discussed the formation for the Roman Missal both in general and in response to the plans of the Department. Consideration has also been given to matters to do with publication.

National Proper for England

The Committee reviewed the text of the National Proper which had been prepared by the Department.

Installation of a Parish Priest

At the request of the Committee a model text for the installation of a parish priest has been prepared which will be presented to the Department.

Projects

Year for Priests

The Committee has prepared some prayer resources which will be available on the Liturgy Office website.

Directory of Texts for Singing

The Committee reviewed and made suggestions about the model texts and their category notes.. The Committee also commented on the Composers' Guide to the Missal.

Reports

The Committee has regular reports from Mrs Gillian Ambrose on the work of the Church of England Liturgical Commission. It has also received a report from the Churches Group on Funerals

Formation Subcommittee

Membership

Mrs Caroline Dollard

Mr Paul Inwood

Revd Martin Jakubas

Revd Peter McGrail

Chair

Mr Mike Stanley

Ms Nicky Stevens

Mr Martin Foster

Acting Secretary

The Subcommittee has met 4 times in the last year in Coleshill, Leeds and London.

Network Meeting

The 2009 meeting of diocesan liturgy contacts in Leeds in response to the Synod and the Year of St Paul looked at the Lectionary.

Projects

Formation for Lay Liturgical Ministers

Work on the Introductory module was completed drawing on the contents of the other modules. At the request of the bishops a pathway for 'lead' servers was added. The whole text was reviewed before being presented to the Department for approval. Work now continues on the provision of supporting material.

Video Material

The Subcommittee which has been considering how downloadable video might be used in liturgical formation took the practical step of making a video. It was based on the Syllabus to demonstrate how it might be used and was shown at the Network meeting. The Subcommittee is now considering how to develop what they have learnt.

Missal Formation

The Subcommittee met with Sr Ellen Flynn to look at processes that might assist dioceses introduce the new text. It also considered the Department's proposals for formation.

Working Groups

Christian Initiation of Children of Catechetical Age

The Working Group is chaired by Fr Martin Jakubas. The group has nearly finished its work drawing up guidelines and offering examples of best practice.

Other Work

The Subcommittee received an annual report on the work of the RCIA Network. It has supported the work of the Network in drawing up formation resources for parish teams.

Martin Foster

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