

**Present**

Lena Cole, Oonagh Fowler, Tricia Devlin, Charles McNerney, Eileen Devane, Kathy Clayton, Rosaleen Burke, Marva Desir, James McPherson, Janepher Frazee, Marysia Petty, Magdalena and Mary Brennan

**Apologies**

Urszula Pastucha, Margaret Templeman, Vivian Jackson and Gwyneth Lowrie

**Minutes from the last meeting**

Charles congratulated those who prepared the food for Fr. Kevin's birthday party on a job well done. He also told the committee that Deborah Purfield from CAFOD would be visiting the Confirmation group to speak to them about fundraising. It had been hoped that a group who wanted to raise funds for CAFOD might be able to join the rota for Sunday refreshments, but this has not yet happened.

**Multicultural evening - Saturday 28th January 2017**

Lena has been marketing the event on Facebook and Twitter and has designed flyers to be made available in church to let people know about the three events planned this year. Tickets have been printed and will be in the shop from Sunday; several people volunteered to sell them after each Mass. Eileen and Kathy told the committee that plates, glasses and bin liners would be available on the evening for all groups to use. Each group will decorate their stall on the morning of the event. Lena will look for the church's flags to contribute to the decoration of the hall. Magdalena asked if alcohol could be provided; yes, but it cannot be sold. It was decided that tea and coffee would not be served at the event. Each group will bring some lively music (or preferably let Lena have it in advance) to play at the event. All groups should be at the hall at 9am on the morning of the 28<sup>th</sup> and any donations of raffle prizes can be brought then.

**A.O.B. from after the meeting**

After the meeting, several people asked about the age range for the children's tickets and about whether a previously mentioned monetary advance would be available. An email/text ballot of committee members concluded that the age range for a child's ticket should be 2 – 12 year olds (with under 2s getting in to the event free of charge) and that an advance of £25 should be made available to any group who would like it. Lena suggested that this could be increased if ticket sales were high enough. Thank you to all who were able to respond.

**Next meeting: Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2017 at 8pm**