

## **Minutes of the Meeting of the Dunkeld Youth Association (DYA)**

**Date:** 08/05/2025

**Venue:** St Andrew's Cathedral, Dundee

**Time:** 7:00 PM

### **Present:**

Fr. Michael, Aimee, Charis

### **1. Opening**

Fr. Michael led the opening prayer, officially beginning the meeting. The meeting was then handed over to Charis.

### **2. Review of Previous Meeting**

The decisions made at the previous meeting were confirmed by those present.

### **3. Quiz Format**

It was agreed that the quiz will have 2 parts lasting around 30 minutes each, with an interval for refreshments in the middle. Each part should have 2 rounds of 10 questions → This gives us 40 questions in total, over 4 different categories (rounds).

It was also agreed that there would be no additional equipment involved to keep things simple, and so one person will call the questions at the event, with a 'catch it or miss it' format (questions said twice, with short pause for answers, then move on).

Teams should be 6 people due to the capacity of the tables in the hall, but this will remain flexible depending on the number of attendees → Names will be pulled from a hat/bowl/box to assign people randomly to teams. A prize will be available for the winning team, provided by Fr. Michael and the diocese (TBD).

#### **4. Refreshments**

It was agreed that we would keep things simple and just offer soft drinks, crisps, biscuits and cakes as refreshments. An idea of numbers should be available via the online form from the week of 19th May → Charis will pass this along. Fr. Michael will provide the refreshments using diocesan funds, and will consult with Fr. Malcolm if required.

#### **5. Advertising**

Posters and media have been created and sent out to parishes and social media channels. Fr. Michael will print out 120 flyers to be available at the back of the Cathedral, and Aimee will contact young people in online groups to collect some of these to hand out in parishes across Dundee in the coming weeks. Charis has also been in touch with the diocesan media officer to spread the word further.

#### **6. Photographer**

The diocesan photographer, Eddie Mahoney, has been in contact to ask if we want him to attend and take photos - this has been agreed, and we will take some on our own devices as well to have plenty of media to post after the event.

#### **7. Mass**

Fr. Michael will be in touch with the Bishop to confirm if he is celebrating the Mass at 6pm. It was suggested that young people could take part in the liturgy by doing the readings, offertory etc. → Fr. Michael will also speak with Canon Kevin regarding this, and roles can be appointed at the next meeting.

#### **8. Action Points**

The following action points were agreed, to be confirmed with the group:

- Quiz rounds to be written → One person per round:
  - Shane, Jake, Niamh and James provisionally nominated (TBC)
  - Current theme suggestions include Catholic Trivia, Sports...

- Nominate a caller for the quiz on the night
- Determine a prize for the winners → Suggestions and poll in the WhatsApp chat
- Advertise as far as possible:
  - Hand out flyers
  - Speak at Masses
  - Invite friends → Anyone with access to other groups e.g. Dunkeld Lourdes, Cathedral Dinners, CathSoc etc. to please post and invite people
  - Can flyers be available and announced at the CathSoc ball on the 17th May?
- Decide date and concept for next DYA event that we can signpost to keep momentum going:
  - 5th June already in the diary → Just an AGM meeting to propose a structure/nominate an official committee and plan the next event?
  - Is something over the summer feasible, or is this an opportunity to just have some meetings and plan out a programme for the year ahead from September?

## **9. Next Meeting**

The next meeting was provisionally agreed for Thursday 15th May at 7pm in St Andrew's Cathedral, Dundee. This will be confirmed via the WhatsApp group chat.

## **Closing**

The meeting came to a close about 8:00 PM with the closing prayer led by Charis, and blessing by Fr. Michael.