

Chaplaincy of Aquitaine

Action and information points from Chaplaincy Council on 25th September 2021

Covid Situation

It is recommended that existing seating arrangements be retained where possible except where numbers dictate otherwise. The Chaplain has purchased a number of metal shot glasses which may be used so that people can receive wine at communion in individual portions. Masks are still required to be worn except for those reading or leading intercessions. Choirs may sing without masks provided they are far away from the congregation. Health passes are not needed for acts of worship but would be required for a concert being held in a church.

AGM 2022

The Chaplain has suggested that the business part of the Chaplaincy AGM and the ChapAid AGA be held as zoom sessions probably on different days and then in early summer a parish day or weekend could be held for worship and shared meals.

Finance

August was a good month for the Chaplaincy with a surplus of €3,400 most of which came from Bertric Burée from social events and the summer fete. It is hoped that September will have proved to be a good month also.

Eco Church

The Diocese are holding a Creationtide service on 29th October and it will include input from the Chaplaincy in the form of a video explaining what is being done around the Chaplaincy.

Women's Retreat

This was held on 9th October and there are now plans to hold a face-to-face retreat in May or June next year.

CWL Training

There are currently four people in the Chaplaincy interested in becoming CWLs and training is being given by existing CWLs in a hands-on approach and this will be backed up by a number of zoom training sessions on more general topics.

Communications Team

Jill Little has left the team as she is returning to the UK and Carol Garfoot and Lindsay Mégraud will be joining the team.

Safeguarding

The Chaplaincy Safeguarding Officer now has a dedicated e-mail address safeguarding@churchinaquitaine.org and all contacts via the website will go to this address. Safeguarding training needs to be repeated every three years and the Chaplaincy safeguarding Officer is currently looking at how this can be organised in a prioritised sequence.

Next Council Meeting

The next Council meeting will be held on Tuesday 23rd November.

Maggie Lee October 2021