

## Chaplaincy of Aquitaine

### Action and information points from Chaplaincy Council on 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2022

#### Finance

The Chaplaincy Treasurer was pleased to announce that the Chaplaincy finances recorded a surplus of nearly €6,000 at the end of October and he is hoping for a surplus approaching €10,000 by the end of the year.

In addition, the Chaplaincy budget for 2023 was approved by Council members.



#### Change in Travel Reimbursement Rate

The Chaplaincy policy has been amended so that there is one standard rate for all travel claimants as from now will be €0.45 per kilometre.



#### Borehole Project in Malawi



The ChapAid trustees have agreed that monies being donated to the project can be sent through ChapAid rather than the current Just Giving page. In addition, a HelloAsso page is being set up for donations.

The new pump stand installed has had a plaque placed on it saying that it was funded with aid from the people of the Chaplaincy of Aquitaine and others. So far, £5058 has been raised of the £6000 required for this phase of the project.

#### New ChapAid trustees required



The Chaplain has asked for people to come forward to become ChapAid trustees. There are 3-4 meetings per year and most of these are via Zoom. If anyone is interested or would like further information, please contact the Chaplain.

#### Communications Team

The Communications team have sourced some tea light candle holders for sale at Christmas Fairs and Carol services around the Chaplaincy. They are printed with a Chaplaincy website graphic and cost €3 each. In addition, Chaplaincy car stickers are still available at a cost of €5 and can be obtained from the Chaplaincy Administrator.

The Chaplaincy Connect dashboard has also changed both in looks and in the information available enabling faster access to key functions and information. The Communications team are happy to receive any feedback on the new dashboard.



## Environmental Update



The Chaplaincy Environmental Advocates will be meeting on 24<sup>th</sup> November and sectors are asked to find someone to act as an advocate if they do not already have one.

## Mission & Outreach



An advent course entitled Ready – Steady – Pray. Has been developed by Revd. David Marshall as is being held via Zoom on 29<sup>th</sup> November and the 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, and 20<sup>th</sup> December at 19.30 with a different leader each week. The Zoom link will be available from the weekly bulletin and there is no need to register to take part.

## Lost – One Church!

It has been announced that the church at Bertric Burée is closed until further notice due to cracks in the roof and stonework. An alternative church is urgently being searched for and until one is found, services will take place in the Upper Room. People are asked to pray for a suitable church to be found quickly.



## Parish Day 2023

The Mission and Outreach team have agreed to front the organisation of a Parish Day of worship, music and fellowship to be held next summer. Further details will be available at a later date.

## Limeuil Choral Work



A performance from scratch of Stainer's Crucifixion is being planned for Good Friday 2023 aiming to put the Limeuil church back on the map. Male singers are needed for this work and if anyone (male or female) would like to volunteer, please contact Anne Penfold for more information ([anne@nineyrol.com](mailto:anne@nineyrol.com)).

## Next Council Meetings

The Council meetings for 2023 will be held as follows:

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> June

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> September

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> November

*Maggie Lee, Secretary to Chaplaincy Council. November 2022*