

DIOCESAN LITURGY COUNCIL

Meeting Report

February 2023

At their February 9 meeting the Diocesan Liturgy Council members:

- began their study of *Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy*, following the 'Documents Club' guide and focusing on the Introduction a. 1-4.
- congratulated council member Fiona Duque on her appointment as Officer Worship and Prayer within the diocesan Pastoral Ministries team.
- established an expanded executive working group to expedite the ministry of the Council between normal council meeting times.
- resumed the practice of council meeting reporting to the diocesan community.
- discussed attendance and workshop presentation for the September 2023 National Liturgy Council Conference.
- received an update on liturgy preparation for Bishop Elect Michael Kennedy's installation.
- discussed engagement opportunities to support parishes as they prepare to welcome the new bishop and celebrate with him.
- identified which members will prepare and deliver the 2023 Christian Formation Course Liturgy Unit.

The work of the Council extends beyond its meetings, particularly through its subgroups and currently includes:

- working the College of Assistant Masters of Ceremonies on the liturgy of the Installation of Bishop
- the work of the Christian Initiation Forum:
 - preparing for and celebrating the Rite of Election
 - Preparing resources ahead of meeting with those parishes wanting to reimagine the ministry of Christian Initiation
- the preparation of the Chrism Mass liturgy with an expanded membership of the College of Assistant Masters of Ceremonies
- Facilitating *Stepping Stones* formation for St Benedict's Inner Newcastle Parish who are in the process of establishing a parish bereavement team.

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The remaining DLC meetings scheduled for 2023 are: Thursdays 9 March, 13 April, 11 May, 8 June, 13 July, 10 August, 14 September, 12 October, 9 Nov, 14 December. Meetings are at Newcastle West, 4.30 - 6.30pm.

If you have anything you would like the Council to discuss please email worshipandprayer@mn.catholic.org.au.