



THE ARCHDIOCESE *of* BIRMINGHAM

Ethnic Chaplaincies

Newsletter: Weekend 12th/13th September

Dear All,

This week I took the opportunity to visit Fr Krzysztof, Parish Priest at St Michael's, Birmingham, and Chaplain to the Polish Community. We spoke about his work, and especially the themes of Catechesis and Youth Work, which I have floated for our next Conference. I have already spoken with Fr Terin, Parish Priest at Holy Rosary, Saltley, Birmingham, about these themes too.

Fr Krzysztof felt they were important matters for Catholic Ethnic Communities to consider together and share good practice and initiatives. He proposed I ask for your suggestions in advance of the Conference, so that these can "frame" the Conference input and discussion. It was interesting to hear from him how and when he gathers young people for Catechesis, and to learn about Youth Activity that has proved successful. He will be happy to play a part in the Conference Day.

We spoke about the Conference Day as a possibility in November, and he will look into the availability of the Polish Centre (it has not yet opened after lockdown).

Do please let me know about your proposals in the area of "Catechesis" and/or "Youth Work". I will be seeking good outside speakers as well as sharing experience.

All good wishes,

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