

Pastoral Committee Report - April 2024

The Pastoral Committee meets every two months and is now chaired by Helen Giles. We thanked Margaret Andre for all the years she chaired the Committee and the hard work she put into it. Margaret was given a present for her work during one of our services in the summer 2023.

We have a confidential list of people who need our help and support, each member of the committee is assigned a person who they keep in touch with and up-date us on their progress. Home Communion is available to those who feel unable to come to church on a regular basis. If you know anyone who would like Home Communion, please let us know.

The Committee also oversees the running of 'Norton Coffee Shop'. We welcomed 'The Garden House Hospice' to speak to us about their work with the new 'Frailty Unit' in March. Several people attended this session. Due to lack of support 'Friday Lunches' and 'Warm Spaces' were closed in February. As a committee we were sad to do this, but if the need arises, we will think about opening them once more. Flowers were given to Jacquie Croot for running Friday lunches and Susan Taylor for her work with Warm Spaces during one of our church services in March. Any money raised by these ventures is now going to the PCC for charitable giving.

Susan Taylor keeps us up-dated on the needs of 'Food Bank'. As, we are no longer giving out vouchers for Food Bank through our church, as we are in vacancy, Susan asked Food Bank for a list of places where vouchers are available from. This notice is now displayed at the back of the church and in St George's Parish Centre on the board outside the Clulow Room.

If you feel anyone needs our help or a home visit please do not hesitate to contact me.

Helen Giles