

Mothers' Union Report 2021/22

We started this year with six members: Daphne, Ann, Fran, Irene, Valerie and Margaret. During the year Ann Rust reached 50 years as a member of the Mother's Union, a memorable achievement. Unfortunately we lost her in January 2022 and she is sadly missed by us all. I am glad to say that we are still 6 members at the end of the year as we welcomed Sara Dray as a new member.

Despite all the difficulties experienced this year a dedicated few members of the Mothers' Union led by Daphne have had several meetings. After many attempts the arranged talk by Elizabeth Bryson on the Anna Chaplaincy followed by refreshments took place in the Vestry hall in November attended by various members from the surrounding areas. This was a very enlightening talk and enjoyed by all.

We have been keeping an eye on the Children's Corner adding the Wooden Noah's Ark and hopefully as things return to more like normal we can spend some time on reorganising it. It is reassuring that you can hear the children using it during Mass. We also collected and delivered to Priority House a bag of Christmas presents for the patients, contributed by members of the congregation.

Privately several of us have been using our talents of knitting and crochet making Twiddlemuffs (40-50 approx) which have been distributed to various Care homes in the parish by Elizabeth and Eleanor when visiting. We also made around 100 handheld woollen crosses which were given to Care home residents in the town along with some messages of prayers, a video and other bits at Christmas.

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