

NETWORK OF IRISH CATHOLIC CHURCH REFORM GROUPS

GENERAL PRINCIPLES AND PROCEDURES

PREAMBLE

The Network of Irish Catholic Church Reform Groups (NICCRG) is a Network of reform groups within the Catholic Church committed to pray and work for the continual renewal and transformation of the Catholic Church based on the spirit of Vatican II. We believe that the Spirit speaks through the voices of all the lay, religious and ordained.

1. Introduction

1.1. The name of the Network is the Network of Irish Catholic Church Reform Groups (NICCRG).

2. Aims

2.1. NICCRG aims to provide a forum for all Catholic Reform Groups in Ireland who agree with the preamble above. NICCRG does not replace or subsume any of the Catholic Reform Groups who are its members.

All Catholic Reform Groups will continue to act independently. But through meeting in NICCRG its members will:

2.1.1. Meet to facilitate communication and mutual understanding and to share how each group is progressing and future plans

2.1.2. Consider if there are any projects which members of NICCRG could work together on and provide mutual support.

3. Membership

3.1. Membership is open to all Catholic Reform Groups in Ireland who agree with these General Principles and Procedures and who pay the annual subscription by June 30th.

3.2. Membership is for Groups only and not for individual memberships.

3.3. From **the 1st January 2015** the membership annual subscription will be €20 per annum for each Catholic Reform Group.

4. Organisation & Procedures

4.1. NICCRG is a democratic organisation, with its members determining how it shall be organised and structured by a simple majority vote. Each member is entitled to one vote.

4.2. NICCRG strives to reach consensual decisions.

4.3. NICCRG shall meet regularly, a minimum of twice a year. At least 14 days notice is required for each meeting unless all members agree to short notice.

4.4. The quorum for a meeting shall be three (3) or half of all the members, whichever is the greater, present either in person or by phone/online.

4.5. At each NICCRG meeting a Chair and Secretary for the meeting will be elected.

4.6. The Secretary will circulate minutes of the meeting to all members within 14 days of the meeting.

APPLICATION FORM

FOR THE NETWORK OF IRISH CATHOLIC CHURCH REFORM GROUPS (NICCRG)

Name of Group: _____

We confirm our agreement with the General Principles and procedures of NICCRG and hereby apply for membership of the NICCRG.

Our two delegates for the NICCRG are:

DELEGATE 1

DELEGATE 2

Surname: _____

First Name: _____

Address: _____

E-mail: _____

Phone: _____

Mobile: _____

Annual Subscription €20

Signed: _____

Date: _____

Please send your completed form to NICCRG, Saint Francois, 26 Avoca Avenue, Blackrock, Co. Dublin.