Projektstelle "Assistent für Pastoralplanung im Bistum Reykjavik, Island" – Ivan Sovic



## Bericht von April 2018:

## Summary of activities from January to March 2018

- Developing of pastoral plan and program for the Diocese of Reykjavik is going according to our plan. After doing most of a research I made the structure of Pastoral plan. Now I am going through the chapters and writing them, and the next step is to review it with the Bishop and Vicar General to develop the last version.
- Administrative tasks: assisting our Vicar general, Fr Patrick Breen on administrative tasks, writing projects, editing social media and the other irregular duties.



Volunteers from Bonifatiuswerk involved in organization of the Youth Day (Photo: Norvell Joseph Salinas)

 Volunteer coordinator: continuing with the correspondence between Ms. Jesse and Ms. Nick and two volunteers from Bonifatiuswerk which are now in Akureyri. Preparing activities for Miriam, who will move to Reykjavik in the end of April 2018 and trying to find solution for Judith to move here as well since we don't have facilities to accommodate her here in our building. Also, trying to activate more our local volunteers in our activities.





The Youth day of the Diocese of Reykjavik (Photo: Norvell Joseph Salinas)

• Organizing of World Youth of the Diocese of Reykjavik. 120 participants, including our volunteers and the team, spend two days in Landakot school in the Parish of Christ the King in Reykjavik. Through educational, spiritual content and play we were growing in our faith and mutual relations. This was also a promotional event for the World Youth Day in Panama in January 2019. On the following link is the video report from the event:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Twd rnUSiPl&feature=y outu.be&app=desktop

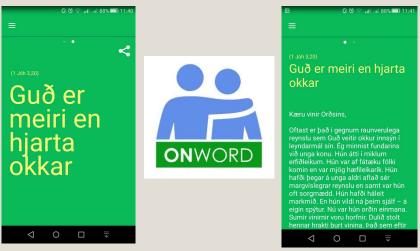
• World Youth Day in Panama 2019 – organizing promotion, applications and the trip to Panama.



Closing ceremony of the Youth Day. The Bishop thanks volunteers for their contribution. (Photo: Unnur Gunnarsdóttir)

 ONE WORD – Due to language differences and barriers, which is one of the most important challenge in our pastoral work, we try to use as much Icelandic as it is possible, especially in our work with the youth to overcome this problem. ON WORD is a mobile application developed in Germany. Through cooperation with the application developers we made it available in Icelandic language. Now all the Icelandic users get a letter on the 1st day each month. This letter encourages them to live for a vivid togetherness between mankind, inspired by words from the Bible.





ON WORD application in Icelandic language

- Promotion of local vocations: together with the Bishop working on promotion of local vocation through meetings, publishing video and other materials among our parishioners.
- Organizing pilgrimage to Mariulind advertising, registration of pilgrims, arranging a bus and participation fees.
- Assisting in the work with confirmation youth.
- Assisting on preparations of materials for Kirkjublaðið newspapers.
- Participation in monthly meetings of Diocese's priests.
- Involvement in organization of diverse events in the Diocese.