

PEACE OF CHRIST PARISH LITURGY COMMITTEE MINUTES DEC. 1, 2015

ATTENDANCE: Janet Andrychuk-Tedesco, Fr. Tim Brown, Drew Desmarais, Terry Keach, Sally Krowl, Gloria Marlett, Augie Misiurewicz, David O'Keefe, Jeanne Picone, Anne Ross, Fr. Carlos Sanchez, Fr. Bob Schrader, Sr. Marlene Vigna, Grace Zanche. ABSENT: Melissa Mang, Elaine Becker, Wendy O'Keefe.

The meeting began with a prayer led by Janet.

November minutes were approved with the following corrections: the Year of Mercy holy card was distributed on Nov. 21 & 22; the addition of several calendar dates that had been omitted (Mar. 20-Apr. 3).

REVIEW of Nov. Events:

Attendance at the **Mass of Remembrance** was estimated at about 60; we discussed various ways to encourage more people to come and celebrate—not only Parish family members—but others who have lost loved ones also should be invited to attend the Mass of Remembrance. We agreed a Saturday liturgy was the best time, and that we should start publicizing the liturgy earlier in October.

Thanksgiving Day Mass: The food baskets should be placed where they do not interfere with “traffic flow” at Communion. The baskets should be blessed after Communion and small baskets for money envelopes should be included.

The **Feast of Christ the King** went smoothly.

Server Training: Six servers from all 3 sites were trained. Drew commented on how well behaved are the youth who serve Mass. Fr. Tim would like an upgrade of our server wardrobe. He will speak to Mike Burgess and get a cost estimate.

UPDATES:

Dec. 5—**First Penance** celebration at St. Ambrose at 10 am.

Dec. 6—**Lessons and Carols** at St. Ambrose at 2 pm. We will need a presider, a cross bearer and thurifer. Terry has asked Dave O'Keefe to record the service. There will be a reception with punch and cookies following the service and a donation basket will be on the table to cover costs. Lessons and Carols can be done at Easter, Epiphany & Baptism of the Lord, but our music ministers prefer the Advent season.

Dec. 8 is the **Feast of the Immaculate Conception**; students from our parish school will attend, but it was noted that this is a Parish Mass for the holy day and not a “School Mass” and this should be worded correctly in the bulletin.

Dec. 12—**St. Lucy Feast Day Mass** will be celebrated at St. Ambrose by Fr. Rosica at 4 pm.

Dec. 19—**Penance Service** at St. Ambrose will begin at 11:30 am.

Dec. 24 and 25—**Christmas** Liturgies at all 3 sites at 4 pm; with a Christmas Nativity Pageant at St. James at 3:30 pm; 11:00 pm at St. Ambrose; Midnight Mass at St. John, and on Dec. 25—8:30 at St. James and 10:30 at St. Ambrose.

The Year of Mercy: The ladders displaying the Works of Mercy will be installed on Monday, Dec. 7 at each site. There will be changes to the ladders at the beginning of Lent, Feb. 10. The Year of Mercy is on our parish website with a link to the Sacred Heart Cathedral schedule of special Masses celebrating The Year of Mercy. During the year, Mass for each month's First Friday will be celebrated at 6:30pm by Bishop Matano, followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and individual Confessions until 8 pm.

A letter was received from the POC Social Ministry Committee requesting nominations of any parishioners to be honored as a "**Faith in Action**" Star at the annual dinner of the Greater Rochester Community of Churches (GRCC)/Faith in Action Network (FIAN). We will consider this at our next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

The Parish **Lenten Retreat**, Feb. 21-23—Bishop Clark will conduct the retreat. Sally will attend the Adult Faith Formation Committee meeting and report further details to our committee at the January meeting. Fr. Schrader was not sure if Bishop Clark plans to use one theme for the retreat or change the theme each night.

Gloria asked for volunteers for a **Lent/Easter Subcommittee**. Sally, Janet and Gloria will serve on the committee. Drew proposed a change to the Easter Vigil preparation: a pre-planning meeting will be held on Mar. 9 at 9 am. Lectors will rehearse at another time. Fr. Schrader suggested that a sheet with directions be given to each participant.

Announcements: Sally noted that Friday, Dec. 11 will be the last day for Helen Johnson to serve as sacristan at St. Ambrose. She will be honored at a coffee hour on Thursday morning, Dec. 10 at the Parish Office.

The meeting closed with prayer led by Janet.

Next meeting is Tuesday, Jan. 5, 2016 at 7pm. Prayer: Augie

Prayers for: February—Terry; March—Dave; April—Grace; May—Drew