

September 2, 2014

Attendance: Janet Andrychuk-Tedesco, Father Tim Brown, Drew Desmarais, Terry Keach, Sally Krowl, Melissa Mang, Gloria Marlett, Augie Misiurewicz, Dave O'Keefe, Wendy O'Keefe, Jeanne Picone, Anne Ross, Father Bob Schrader,

Absent: Elaine Becker, Sister Marlene Vigna, Grace Zanche

We began the meeting with a prayer led by Sally.

Minutes from the May meeting were approved with the correction on page 2, changing *St. John* as the site for the recitation of the Acts of Apostles to *all sites*.

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State of the Church (in this diocese)

Sally noted that many questions have been posed to her regarding liturgical procedures since the inauguration of Bishop Matano. These questions had been provided to Father Bob who answered them according to information given at recent priests' councils.

▲ All speakers brought in to preach from outside our diocese, need to be approved on Buffalo Road.

▲ Any taking of the Eucharist to the tabernacle during a Liturgy should be done by the priest/deacon/instituted acolyte. Sacristans may do this outside the Mass setting.

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▲ Lay homilists are no longer acceptable.

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▲ Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion must make a Renewal of Faith, similar to the one made at Eastertime. This must be done prior to serving as an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion. Those currently serving will be grandfathered in. We'll need to create an official list of those currently actively serving. These need to be on file. We'll probably need to create a similar list of lectors. Sally noted that we should still continue our plans for the

refresher course for all Eucharistic ministers (not just those for communion) as discussed in the Spring.

Old/New Business

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

This liturgy will continue at St. Ambrose on the first Friday of every month as last year. Since turnout for the early watch was so sparse it has been suggested that we shorten the time and begin at 11:00 am rather than 9:00. Father Brown thought that we should still strive for the 3 hour watch. The practice of having signup sheets at each of the sites prior will be resumed. In addition pulpit announcements to this effect will be made. We're also going to try having Exposition at St. James on the third Wednesday of each month following the 7:45 am Mass. Father Brown will preside over Benediction at 11:30 on his way to the noon Mass at St. John.

Upcoming Events

September

▲ 7th – Parish Picnic. There will again be no outdoor liturgy

▲ Interviewers for ACTS will be commissioned at this weekend's liturgies.

▲ 20th/21st – Catechetical Sunday. There will be the usual blessing of catechists and parents at all liturgies, provided that there are any in attendance. Melissa will make sure that all catechists are aware and will attend their usual liturgy. Melissa reported that this year's theme is *Teaching About God's Forgiveness*. She provided the priests with a pre-prepared homily if they should wish to use it.

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▲ 11th – First School Mass at 9:15. Father Brown provided the schedule for the rest of the school year.

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▲ October 9

▲ November 20

▲ December 8 @ 12:10, holy day of obligation

▲ January 29 (Catholic Schools Week)

▲ February 26 (late due to Winter Recess)

▲ March 19

▲ April 30

▲ May 6 May Crowning

▲ May 14 @ 12:10, Ascension Thursday

▲ June 18

▲ 11th – Mass for Peace and Justice, scheduled for 7 pm at St. John. No additional information

regarding this Liturgy was available, except that Father Brown had been requested to preside.

▲ 27th/28th – Kickoff of the CMA with the usual diocesan video being shown at each liturgy.



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▲ 4th – Saturday, noon, Pet Blessing. Father Bob noted that the Protestant ministers have again been invited to participate. No responses have been received as of yet.



▲ 11th/12th – Crib of Life will take place as usual.



▲ 5th – 11:00 Mass will be the special 100th Anniversary Celebration at St. John. Priests who have previously served at St. John have been invited to attend.



▲ 12th – Anointing of the Sick at St. James at 2:00 pm



Other Business

Advent Lessons and Carols

Janet and Terry would like to again over this liturgy. A date of December 14 at 2:00 pm was decided upon. The service will be held at the St. Ambrose site. It was noted that Bishop Matano will be here on December 13 to celebrate the St. Lucy Italian Mass, also at St. Ambrose.

Youth Mass

Melissa asked about the possibility of offering an occasional Youth Mass at a Sunday 5:00 pm liturgy at St. Ambrose. This would work nicely because it would follow their bi-weekly meetings. This would entail training Youth to serve as ministers at the liturgy. It was agreed that this was an excellent idea and Melissa and Janet will get together to choose a few dates to begin planning.

New Chairperson?

Sally suggested that it might be time to elect a new chairperson as she's been performing this

role for quite a while now. Father Bob thought we should spend the next month considering other likely candidates for the October meeting. Do we have a covenant/guidelines for this office? The committee made a list of desirable qualities for this role. The individual should be:

- ^ organized
- ^ willing to liturgicize (learn about liturgy)
- ^ creative
- ^ partaker in ministry
- ^ flexible regarding different points of view
- ^ patient
- ^ acknowledging we're one parish
- ^ able to delegate
- ^ a good communicator
- ^ balanced Catholic
- ^ a parishioner
- ^ not a staff member
- ^ one who loves good liturgy

The meeting was ended with the Serenity Prayer led by Sally.

Next Meeting : October 7, 2014s

Prayer: Terry Keach

Future Meetings & Prayer

November 4, 2014	Janet Andrychuk-Tedesco
December 2, 2014	Wendy O'Keefe
January 6, 2015	Jeanne Picone
February 3, 2015	Anne Ross
March 3, 2015	Gloria Marlett
April 7,	Drew Desmarais
May 5, 2015	Dave O'Keefe