

Peace of Christ Liturgy Committee Meeting Minutes

Apr. 4, 2017

Attendance: J. Andrychuk-Tedesco, E. Becker, Fr. T. Brown, D. Desmarais, T. Keach, S. Krowl, G. Marlett, A. Misiurewicz, D. O'Keefe, W. O'Keefe, J. Picone, A. Ross, Fr. C. Sanchez, Fr. R. Schrader, Sr. M. Vigna, G. Zanche

Meeting called to order at 7:05 PM; opened with Prayer for the 5th Week of Lent led by Dave. Minutes for March accepted.

Review of events

Lenten Retreat (3/19-3/21)—Dr. Joseph Kelly was excellent, with much positive feedback and a very good turnout.

Scrutinies for RCIA—Discussion emphasized importance of catechumens attending Scrutinies and for more parishioners to be involved in the process and share their faith experiences. Members agreed a team should be formed. Fr. Schrader recommended that this issue be placed on a Liturgy Committee meeting agenda in the fall for further discussion.

Other—Choir rehearsal before Mass is sometimes at odds with Lenten request for “silence” during that time. Also, sung Universal Prayer sometimes difficult to understand, especially names. Janet noted that since these are new every week and that names often difficult to pronounce, with little time to rehearse properly.

Faith Formation report

There will be two baptisms, plus one candidate for confirmation at Vigil. Confirmation of 10 at Cathedral on Apr. 19. Fr. Schrader mentioned how well-prepared youth candidates are.

Updates

An altar server training refresher is scheduled for Apr. 8. New server robes should be available by Palm Sunday or Holy Thursday.

Coming events—Holy Week/Sacred Triduum/Easter

Palm Sunday—Palms will be blessed in Dailey Hall for 9:45 Mass; also palms will be at the entrances of StJ and SJE for parishioners to pick up as they enter the churches.

Tenebrae—Instruction will be in the program for the congregation to participate at closing with banging of hymnal books to create the sound of the earthquake.

Easter Vigil practice will be on Wednesday, Apr. 12 at 7 PM.

Sacred Triduum—All details of Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Vigil were discussed at the overview meeting on Mar. 22. On Holy Thursday, Night Prayer will be at 10:30 PM at StJ; more people are encouraged to attend this. Visitors from other parishes likely since this is later than others in the area.

Other April events

Apr. 20—Evening Prayer at StA, 7 PM

Sundays of Easter Season—Sprinkling Rite may replace Penitential Rite on all Sundays of Easter Season. Discussion noted an exception for Sundays when there is a Baptism and that presider makes the final decision.

May Events

May 7—Anointing of the Sick, 1 PM at StA.

May 9—No Anniversary Mass will be celebrated on May 9. Other planned activities, such as a “town meeting” and “State of the Parish” presentation may take place at annual dinner.

May 12—Crowning of Mary by SJN students at 1:30 PM.

May 13—First Communion, 10 AM at StA.

New Business

Ushers—Need for orientation of ushers discussed. Careful planning required before scheduling; should be done after next “Time/Talent/Treasure” forms are returned. Program should include safety and emergency procedures, input from current ushers.

Event planning—Generating ideas and themes for events, retreats, educational programs, etc. is a challenge. Proposed: form a Planning Committee with members from various committees to help with this. This should start in the fall for our next Lenten retreat.

Other

First Mass celebration of Fr. Juan Benitez is scheduled on June 4, 9:45 AM at StA (Pentecost). Participation of Combined Choir will mean piano and cantor only at other sites.

Announcements

NPM (National Pastoral Musicians) celebrating Easter Lessons and Carols on Apr. 30 at 2 PM at Sacred Heart, with POC Combined Choir participating.

Meeting closed with Lord’ Prayer at 8:00 PM.

Next Meeting: May 2; Prayer—Melissa