

Peace of Christ Liturgy Committee Meeting Minutes

Feb. 7, 2017

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

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 by Chairperson Gloria Marlett.

Opening Prayer: Led by Sally Krowl

Review of January minutes: Approved with correction of spelling of Misiurewicz and correction of the name of Christ the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church.

Old Business/Review of events

No comments or additions regarding January celebrations. Discussion of Candlemas Day, Feb. 2, concluded that in future we should plan to have two staff participate in the blessing of throats (may be a layperson).

Faith Formation Report: There will be a blessing of children preparing for First Communion at Masses on Feb. 11, 12 and 19. Request for priests to be available for families at sessions on Mar. 15 and April 5 (5:30 -7:00 PM at StJ). RCIA dismissals will continue at the 9:45 Masses; Rite of Sending is Mar. 5 (First Sunday of Lent) at the 9:45 Mass and Rite of Election is Mar. 5, 2 PM at the Cathedral. Scrutinies are scheduled for Mar. 19, 26 and April 2. Melissa has noted that it is beneficial to have parishioners share in RCIA (discussions about readings after dismissals). Gloria asked Liturgy Committee members to consider volunteering.

Lenten Plans: Lenten environment will continue as in the past: subdued lighting, silent gathering, restrained music, spare décor and quiet dismissal for children's liturgy. The Lenten Retreat will be Sunday, Mar. 19 through Tuesday, Mar. 21. Guest speaker is Dr. Joseph Kelly. Plans were reviewed and Drew proposed that the Liturgy Committee take responsibility for planning the Lenten Retreat/Program every year rather than alternating the task with the Adult Faith Formation Committee. There was brief discussion, to be continued at a later time.

Coming Events

On Feb. 16, Liturgy of the Hours will be at SJE. Stations of the Cross will be held Fridays in Lent after the 12:15 Mass. A sign-up for ministers to help with Stations will be posted at Friday Masses as we draw closer to Lent. Mar. 22 there will be a Holy Week overview meeting for staff. Day of Penance is Mar. 28: confessions from 12:30 to 7:30 PM. The Passion Group will proclaim the Passion at each site on Palm Sunday (schedule TBA). Ecumenical Tenebrae will be Apr. 10 at StA. On Wednesday of Holy Week (Apr. 12) there will be rehearsal for Easter Vigil.

New business

Elaine raised the issue of funeral volunteer availability and expressed concern that at times additional help is needed. Is it possible to share volunteers between the sites? Discussion ensued, without a resolution at this time.

Closing Prayer led by Sally. **Adjournment** at 8:20. **Next meeting:** Mar. 7; Prayer—Grace

Respectfully submitted, Anne Ross

Future Meetings/Prayer: Apr. 4/Dave; May 2/Melissa