

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

Meeting was called to order at 7:50 PM with prayer led by Gloria.

Minutes of Feb. 8 meeting were accepted as submitted.

Review of events

Retreat: A few people complained that they were unable to hear Bishop Clark well. There are some defective speakers that need to be replaced. Although people were asked to move if they could not hear well, few did. The Retreat was well attended and there were many positive comments about the Bishop's presentation.

Lent, 3rd Sunday, Feb. 28: First Scrutinies for RCIA participants at 9:45; monthly Mass with youth serving in liturgical ministries at 5 PM, both went well.

New business

An evaluation sheet was distributed by Gloria, listing Holy Week Services so members may note any comments to be reviewed at the April meeting.

Gloria suggested we offer training to anyone interested in becoming an Extraordinary Minister of Communion; there are some who have expressed a desire to serve as extraordinary ministers, sacristans and servers. Sign-up sheets could be posted at each site and announcements placed in the bulletin. This will be discussed at a staff meeting.

March calendar

Wednesday, Mar. 9-- There is a 9 AM meeting of the staff for overview of Holy Week and to plan rehearsals for the Easter Vigil.

Monday, Mar. 14-- Women of the Passion at StA, 7 PM: sponsored by GRCC to benefit refugees.

Palm Sunday, Mar. 19-20-- Palms will be blessed at each Mass: at SJE at the front door; at StJ in the school hallway and at StA in Dailey Hall for the 9:45 Mass; and in the narthex for the 5 PM. Distribution of the blessed palms will depend on the site. Fr. Schrader suggested the ushers should pass out palms after they are blessed to the people in Church who were not present at the blessing site. The Passion proclaimed by the memorization group will be at the 4:30 PM, 9 and 11 AM and 5 PM Masses.

Monday, Mar. 21-- Ecumenical Tenebrae at 7 PM, StA: Sister Marlene will contact the N.E. Cluster participants to remind them of the service. Drew will arrange the readers and Sally and Gloria will operate the church lights.

Tuesday, Mar. 22-- Chrism Mass at the Cathedral: Terry will attend and pick up the Holy Oils for our parish.

Wednesday, Mar. 23-- Practice for Easter Vigil at 7 PM.

Holy Thursday, Mar. 24-- Details for presentation of the Holy Oils to be determined. Terry will reserve the first 3 pews in SJE for the choir, musicians will be seated in the space usually used by the choir and the handbell choir will be in the loft. There will be 4 chairs for the Washing of the Feet, anyone can participate. Transport for the transfer of the Eucharist is arranged; Knights of Columbus will meet Fr. Carlos when he arrives at StJ. Four members of the choir and Janet will provide the music. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be followed by Night Prayer at 10:30 PM.

Good Friday, Mar. 25-- There will be Stations of the Cross at noon; six readings with prayers for the Year of Mercy at 1 PM; Solemn Liturgy at 2 PM.

Easter Vigil, Mar. 26-- Greg Smith is the Fire Marshall who will supervise the lighting of the fire. During the service the church lights will go from dim to fully on by the Gloria. During the Rite of Baptism, 10 catechumens will be baptized; seven will be confirmed and receive First Communion. There will be a reception in the narthex after the Mass.

Easter Sunday, Mar. 27-- Included are Renewal of Baptismal Promises with the Sprinkling Rite and the Easter Sequence will be sung at all Masses. The newly baptized and confirmed persons should be mentioned in the Universal Prayer at all Masses.

April calendar

Apr. 1-- First Friday.

Divine Mercy Sunday, Apr. 3-- Anointing of the Sick at StJ at 1 PM; Monday, Apr. 4— Solemnity of the Annunciation; First Eucharist rehearsal; Tuesday, Apr. 5-- Liturgy Committee meeting; Apr. 9-- Lector workshop, 9-12 at SJE Hall; a letter to all on active lector lists will be written and signed by Fr. Schrader.

Monday, Apr. 11-- Another Look at Mary Magdalene, 7 PM at SJE, sponsored by GRCC. Apr. 11-13-- Priest Convocation, no Masses, but Communion services.

Apr. 16-17-- First Eucharist celebrated at 4:30 PM and 9:45 AM Masses.

Apr. 24-- First Eucharist at 9 AM Mass; youth participation at 5 PM.

Updates

There will be a prayer service for peace before Mass on Ascension Thursday sponsored by the Peace and Justice Committee. The House of Mercy proposed visit has not been decided; Janet will confer with Fr. Tim. On Palm Sunday, the Bethlehem Wood Carvers will be at POC to sell their handmade items after the Masses.

The meeting was closed with a prayer.

Next meeting is Tuesday, April 5.

Scribe—Anne; prayer—Grace.