

Peace of Christ LITURGY COMMITTEE Minutes

May 2, 2017

ATTENDANCE: J. Andrychuk-Tedesco, D. Desmarais, T. Keach, S. Krowl, M. Mang, G. Marlett, A. Misiurewicz, D. O'Keefe, W. O'Keefe, J. Picone, A. Ross, Fr. R. Schrader, Sr. M. Vigna, G. Zanche.

Meeting opened at 7:12 PM with prayer led by Melissa.
Minutes of April meeting accepted as written.

Review of events

Server training: Apr. 8—Melissa said turnout was good; 6 new servers added. Need to keep recruiting and have more servers trained.

HOLY WEEK: Palm Sunday—There were not enough palms to go around for those at the 5 PM Mass; should slightly increase order for palms. Announce that people stand with palms for procession. Tenebrae—Followers are needed for candles; the large candelabra was covered with wax. It was noted that beeswax candles would be better for this use.

TRIDUUM- Holy Thursday—Those presenting the holy oils should remain at the altar while cantor sings. Good turnout for Morning (SJE) and Night Prayer (StJ). Good Friday: Stations of the Cross and Women of the Well presentation of Corrie Ten Boom story preceded Solemn Liturgy. Impressive service of Seven Last Words was held in the evening. Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday—Solemn Liturgy long but beautiful. Lighting of fire was delayed. Also, there was the usual “traffic jam” at entrances with lighting of candles. Question: should ushers attend a Vigil practice? Extra 11 AM Mass (StJ) not well-attended; is it necessary?

Evening Prayer: Apr. 20 at StA; about 15 attended despite rain.

Divine Mercy: presentation Apr. 23 in StA chapel was well attended by about 30 persons.

Faith Formation report

First Eucharist on May 13 at StA, dedicated to Our Lady of Fatima, with crowning of Mary after Communion. Families have been asked to take no pictures during the service.

Overview of liturgies for 2017-18 (Sep.-June) was distributed.

Coming events

MAY: Anointing of the Sick—May 7, 1 PM at StA. Ascension on May 25. Memorial Day—May 29, Mass in the SJE Peace Garden, 9 AM.

Ordinations—May 27 and June 3 at Cathedral. Deacon Jeff Chichester will serve at POC this summer; Fr. Juan Benitez will celebrate First Mass at POC (see below).

JUNE: Pentecost—June 4; Fr. Benitez' First Mass at 9:45. Liturgy Committee—June 6; last meeting before summer break after Evening Prayer (see below). Picnic will consist of appetizers, finger food, etc. rather than usual cookout fare. Trinity Sunday—June 11. Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ—June 18.

Updates

Summer Evening Prayer: Tuesday, June 6, 7 PM, StA; Tuesday, July 25—StJ (Feast of St. James), 7 PM; Thursday, August 17—SJE, 7 PM.

New business/announcements

Looking ahead: Proposed training for ushers and greeters; maybe create a guide for ushers. Retreat planning can be done by working with other committees. Ongoing recruitment for all ministries is needed. Diocese is sponsoring workshop on evangelization (Christ Life), to be attended by staff and volunteers.

Meeting closed with prayer at 8:15 PM.