

Peace of Christ Parish Liturgy Committee Meeting Minutes Nov. 1, 2016

Attendance: J. Andrychuk-Tedesco, E. Becker, D. Desmarais, S. Krowl, M. Mang, G. Marlett, D. O'Keefe, W. O'Keefe, J. Picone, A. Ross, Fr. Sanchez, Fr. Schrader, Sr. M. Vigna, G. Zanche

Call to order: 7:05 PM

Opening Prayer: Wendy

Review of October minutes: Approved with correction: "Mayor" changed to "County Executive" as recipient of letters collected on Children's Sabbath, celebrated on October 23.

Old Business: Choir location change at SJE will be completed for Advent. The Bell Choir will play the 3rd Sunday of the month at 5 PM Masses.

Review of events

Anointing of the Sick: well attended. It was suggested that an overview of the Sacrament of the Sick be covered in "Liturgy Corner."

All Saints' Day: the school children did not come forward to read the Prayers of the Faithful. Students in costumes did present profiles of several saints following the Mass.

Practice of youth serving in liturgical ministries at 5 PM Mass once a month discontinued for now.

Evening Prayer: on Thursday, Oct. 20 attended by about 20 persons in spite of very rainy weather.

Coming events

Nov. 5: Mass of Remembrance at 10 AM, SJE.

Nov. 20: Solemnity of Christ the King ends the Year of Mercy. "Feed the hungry" will be featured on this day; appropriately, this is the start of food collection and preparation for the Christmas Baskets project.

Nov. 22: Annual Thanksgiving Ecumenical Service held at Laurelton Presbyterian Church. It will be advertised in the City, Post and D&C papers. There will also be a notice on the Community Calendar.

Thanksgiving Day (Nov. 24): Mass at 9 AM at StJ. At the time of the offertory, there will be a collection of non-perishable food and donations of money for the Christmas baskets that will be distributed by the parish.

Nov. 27: Advent begins. Cycle A for Sunday Lectionary; Advent Wreath will be lit after the Universal Prayer (in place of closing prayer). Wreath candles will be lit before Mass for other Sundays of Advent.

Dec. 8: Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception. Bishop Matano will preside at 12:10 Mass at StA.

Reports

Faith Formation: First Penance: Dec. 10, 11 AM at StA. RCIA Rite of Acceptance will be Dec. 11 at 9:45 AM Mass. At this time, there are 2 candidates. Nativity Pageant: discussion ensued about the amount of work to prepare, and the need to solicit parental cooperation about behavior of children attending and participating. It was determined that the pageant will be held at 3:30 PM Christmas Eve at StJ. A children's Bible Study will begin Sunday, Nov. 20 after 9:45 AM Mass, which is planned in response to requests for such.

Altar Servers: Sally reported that there were 5 new servers trained recently at StA, who are 3rd and 4th grade age. Grace reported that the new server robes are planned to be ready for the Dec. 8 Mass when the bishop comes.

New Business/Dec. Preview

Dec. 10: St. Lucy Mass, 4 PM at StA

Dec. 15: Evening Prayer, 7 PM at StJ

Dec. 17: Advent Penance Service at 11:30 AM at StA

Dec. 18: Lessons and Carols at 2 PM at StA. Readers and greeters needed.

Based on a parishioner's comment, a review of the process for Communion for the handicapped persons attending at StA was discussed. The understanding was that the usher needs to notify the Communion ministers when there is a handicapped person in attendance. Most often they will sit at the back of the nave where there is a designated area for wheel chairs.

Closing Prayer: Wendy

Next meeting: Dec. 6; prayer by Terry.

Future Meetings/Prayer: Jan. 3/Janet; Feb. 7/Sally; Mar. 7/Grace; Apr. 4/Dave; May 2/Melissa.
