

Attendance: Fr. T. Brown, D. Desmarais, T. Keach, S. Krowl, R. Layer, G. Marlett, 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; opening prayer prepared by Anne.

Oct. meeting minutes: accepted as read.

Review of events: Pet Blessing, Children's Sabbath, Anointing Service, All Saints' Day—no recommendations.

First Friday exposition of the Blessed Sacrament—few attended during the first hour in Oct. and Nov. After discussion about the possibility of starting at a later time, it was agreed to continue to start at 9, especially since this is the Year of the Eucharist. In the new year we will discuss again the later starting time. Recommendations included posting First Friday Adoration and Benediction on the diocesan website, on Catholic radio, as well as in other parish bulletins. Mass of Remembrance—some disappointment was expressed at the low attendance. Only a few families of the deceased attended; but the practice is meaningful for those who come.

Old business: Usher/Greeter Workshop—scheduled for Nov. 18, 10 AM-noon at StJ Church Hall. Fr. Brown, Laurelton Fire Department, Sheriff's Department, and Pastoral Associates will be presenting the orientation material.

New business/reports:

Faith Formation: Christ Life host groups training—Nov. 15 at StJ. Liturgy and Faith Formation Committees will be responsible for facilitating the program retreat on Saturday, Jan. 24. RCIA—Rite of Welcoming is scheduled for Dec. 10. Nativity Pageant scheduled for Dec. 16 at StJ. Music Ministry: Lessons and Carols—Sunday, Dec. 3 at 2 PM, StA.

Upcoming events:

Evening Prayer—Nov. 16, 7 PM at StJ. Brief discussion about better advertising to increase attendance. Rob recommended advertising in other parish bulletins. Ecumenical Prayer Service—Nov. 21, 7 PM at St. Mark's and St. John's. Thanksgiving Day Mass—Nov. 23, 9 AM at SJE. Immaculate Conception—Dec. 8; holyday schedule. Advent Penance Service: Dec. 23 at 11 AM, StA. Fourth Sunday of Advent—regular Sunday schedule, except no 5 PM Mass. Christmas Eve/Christmas—4 PM Mass at each site; 11 PM at StA; midnight at SJE; 8:30 AM at StJ; 10:30 AM at StA. Mary Mother of God—Jan. 1 is not a holyday of obligation this year; will be observed with regular Monday schedule of 7:45 AM Mass at StJ. Holy Week—There was discussion about changing venues for Holy Thursday and Good Friday services; discussion to be continued at next meeting.

Meeting closed with prayer at 8:11 PM.

Next Meeting: Dec. 5; Prayer—Wendy.