

Peace of Christ Parish Liturgy Committee Meeting Minutes Oct. 4, 2016

Attendance: J. Andrychuk-Tedesco, E. Becker, Fr. T. Brown, D. Desmarais, T. Keach, S. Krowl, G. Marlett, J. Picone, A. Ross, Fr. R. Schrader, Sr. M. Vigna, G. Zanche

OPENING Prayer: Pope Francis' Prayer for the Church in the Year of Mercy

September meeting minutes: corrected and approved

October and November calendars and 2017 editions of Living Liturgy and Sourcebook were handed out.

REVIEW OF EVENTS

Training for Extraordinary Ministers of Communion—held on Sep. 10 at St. James Church Hall was conducted by Fr. Brown & Sr. Marlene. There was a good turnout.

Sep. 11 Mass at 11:30 AM in St. James Church was celebrated with a peace theme & Annual Parish Picnic was held afterward on the grounds. Those who attended found this worked well.

Catechetical Sunday—Having all who work with Family Faith program together at one Mass to be recognized was good. It was mentioned that those who do Children's Liturgy of the Word might also be included in the future. Even if they cannot attend the Mass, their names could be listed in the Bulletin and/or announced at the Mass on this day.

Catholic Ministries Appeal promotion weekend—Some reported difficulty seeing TV screens at StA, as well as awkwardness of three TVs in sanctuary. The T-shaped worship space is a challenge. The TV at StJ was brought forward and then moved back. Screening at SJE was visible, but there was a technical problem at the 9 AM Mass.

Pet Blessing on Oct. 4 at Dailey Hall had greater attendance than last year, probably because the Sunday afternoon time had conflicted with football games. This event demonstrates how important pets are to the many who attend.

COMING EVENTS

Faith formation report from Melissa Mang included:

Children's Sabbath (date?)—children to participate in Presentation of Gifts (bringing letters to be sent to the County Executive in support of early childhood initiatives—9 AM at SJE and 9:45 AM at StA); asking adults to sign similar letters; Ministry Minute before the final blessing at all sites;

—Regarding Children's Sabbath, PAs asked that they be sent a list of the names of the children, Ministry Minute speakers, and those who will collect the letters after Mass—

Oct.23 Mass with Youth at 5 PM;

First Penance Celebration—Dec. 10, 10 AM at StA (names of candidates listed);

RCIA Rite of Acceptance into the Order of Catchumens—Dec. 11, 9:45 at StA (Nicole Blair); List of candidates for Confirmation (Apr. 18).

Anointing of the Sick—Oct. 16, 1 PM at StJ (site change)

Evening Prayer—Oct. 20, 7 PM at StA; others scheduled for Dec.15 at St. James; Feb. 16 at SJE.

All Saints Day—SJN students will be attending 12:10 Mass. Drew had discussed with the principal that students do not lector for Holy Day Masses. Since the children did not participate on Oct. 4, members noted that we should clarify with Jackie about students taking roles in regular monthly all-school Masses.

OLD BUSINESS

Bookmarks for the sung Spanish-language Mass parts and posted list of hymnal selections are very helpful.

Ecumenical gatherings—Thanksgiving service on Nov. 22 will be at Laurelton Presbyterian (Empire Blvd.); Church Unity Octave will be Jan. 18 at St. Mark and St. John (Culver Rd.); Tenebrae will be on Apr. 10 at StA. It was suggested to try promoting more attendance with a newspaper article.

Altar server robes—Grace reported that the fabric was purchased, cut and sewing volunteers are working on the robes.

OTHER

Training for ministries—In the committee budget, there are funds for training and/or liturgy committee education and development. St. Bernard's Institute was suggested as a resource for planning. Ministers to homebound parishioners and those in nursing homes, ushers and sacristans are among those to consider offering a day of reflection or similar program.

Christmas basket project will start Nov. 5-6. Assembling and delivering the baskets is a large scale operation and uses space in Parish Office, basement and garage and choir loft in StA. Delivery date needs to be scheduled around other December activities and events.

Advent Sacrament of Reconciliation is proposed for Sat., Dec. 17, 11:30 AM at StA; needs to be confirmed pending priest scheduling.

CLOSING prayer

Next meeting: Nov. 1

Prayer: Wendy

Future Meetings/Prayer: Dec. 6/Terry; Jan. 3/Janet; Feb. 7/Sally; Mar. 7/Grace; Apr. 4/Dave; May 2/Melissa.
