

Liturgy Commission Minutes

October 15, 2014

Present: Virginia Stillwell, Anne Schwartz, Mary Hoffman, Larry Mustonen, Kay Provo, Laraine MacKenzie, Marie Whelehan, Mary Margaret Hoden, Fr. Spencer Howe

- I. Prayer – led by Anne Schwartz
- II. Housekeeping. Reviewed commission membership list. Minutes from the last meeting were previously approved via email.
- III. Parish Pastoral Council
 - a. Fr. Doug prefers face-to-face communication.
 - b. Parking lot resurfacing is complete
 - c. We are about \$15,000.00 short of our operating budget revenue projections.
 - d. Our bridge loan will be paid off in December. Emmaus Chapel will be paid for in June, 2015.
 - e. We will be part of the diocese's GROW program. This is a six month planning process offered by the diocese; it develops strategic plan for evangelization and catechesis in all programs and ministries. The goal is increased participation and commitment. Members of implementation committee will be named by Fr. Doug.
- IV. Hospitality for Joncas Presentation 11/16
 - a. Fr. Joncas will preside at the noon Mass, followed by a presentation in the social hall at 1:15 pm. Presentation is co-sponsored with St. Thomas Becket and Mary Mother of the Church.
 - b. Refreshments will tentatively include beverages (coffee, lemonade, water) and snacks (cookies and bars).
 - c. Hospitality will be needed before the end of Mass. Volunteers for greeting, signage and set-up include Kay Provo, Mary Margaret Hoden, Mary Hoffman, Laraine MacKenzie, Anne Schwartz, and Larry Mustonen.
 - d. It was decided that if the social hall is too small to accommodate all the guests, the worship space is the alternate site.
 - e. There is Knights of Columbus breakfast that morning, which means audience seating in the social hall will be set up late on Sunday morning.
 - f. Virginia will look into the sound system, projectors and screens and who will set up the additional chairs. She will also look into name tags for volunteers.
- V. Liturgy Team Report
 - a. Our first Saturday morning Mass had about 100 worshippers.
 - b. Fr. Kevin Manthey's Mass of Thanksgiving went well.
 - c. Taizé Prayer will be at St. Joseph's, Rosemount on November 11. On that same day we will sponsor a service in Emmaus Chapel for military veterans and their families, followed by dinner.
 - d. Taizé Prayer at St. John Neumann will be Dec. 9. Laraine will help with set up and ministries.
 - e. There will be no Eucharistic adoration or confessions on December 24 or 31.

- f. Art and Environment Committee would like help from the Sew for Grace group to make Advent banners. Larry Mustonen was directed to Lona Wacker, the chair.
 - g. Sacristans and Team Leads Appreciation Dinner was October 14. Well attended. Excellent conversation. Revisions are being well received and implemented.
 - h. There will be lector training on November 15.
 - i. Fr. Doug and Fr. Spencer are engaging personally with altar servers in their training. Procedures are being updated and a training video made.
 - j. Archbishop Nienstedt has given permission for a tabernacle in Emmaus Chapel. We have a small tabernacle on loan from Divine Mercy in Faribault. Fr. Doug consulted with Carol Frenning on a tabernacle stand and ideas for a permanent tabernacle for the chapel. Richard Helgeson will build the tabernacle stand. The stand may be completed and installed in December.
- VI. Incarnation Season
- a. There will be a new worship booklet for Advent and Christmas.
 - b. "Come Lord Jesus" will be used as the Mass opening during Advent.
 - c. Request that the Spanish Mass note on the inside cover be removed, since we will no longer have the Spanish language Mass at SJN.
 - d. We should add the text of the Act of Contrition (Confiteor) to the booklet.
 - e. Masses for Christmas Eve will be at 4:00 pm and 6:30 pm on December 24. Commission appreciated the seating arrangement in the social hall for overflow seating. By facing the worship space we felt more connected to the liturgy.
 - f. Masses for New Year's will be at 4:00 pm on December 31 and 10:00 am on January 1.

Next meeting January 21, 2015: Prayer - Marie; Snacks - Laraine; Minutes - Mary Margaret

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Margaret Hoden, secretary