

ST. JEROME LITURGY COMMITTEE MINUTES for January 9, 2007

Present: Father David, Deacon Dean Finch, Domenica Gioiella, Jeanne Tarrant, Dan & Florence Loch, Kathy Coyne, Helen Eidt, Suzanne Calnon

There were no reports from Ministry, Liturgy Support, or Liturgy Coordinators.

All Souls' Day -- Fr. David, Kathy

The consensus was that there were fewer in the congregation this year.

Thanksgiving -- Helen, Domenica, Andrea, Pat

The files from 2006 and prior are missing. Please let us know if anyone knows their whereabouts. All agreed the slides provided by Dan were excellent. It seems the attendance was about the same as in the past based on the number of programs used. It was noted the weather was very bad that evening. We will decide next September if we should eliminate the Wednesday evening Mass make the Thanksgiving Day liturgy the primary celebration.

Advent

There were good numbers at the Penance service. The wreath-lighting went well, but we should consider NOT carrying in lit candles as some people are nervous about that. We could have them carry them in and place them and then light them.

Christmas Eve

4:00 Mass was reverent and quiet in spite of a huge crowd. The Communion line is confusing. We should consider alternate placement of EMs and the flow of communicants. Father David does not want another Mass for the overflow crowd downstairs.

6:00 was about the same size and went very well. The children's choir was excellent, as was the Children's Nativity Pageant.

10:30 was a little larger than usual.

Altar Servers

We are short of altar servers at 8:00 and 11:00. Father David will seek out adults to fill in at these masses. He will notify Dan when they are identified so they can be put on the schedule.

Lent

Dan will again make the Lenten Booklet that has been so popular.

Lenten Cross

We will do the Lenten Cross again as it has been well thought of. We will meet on Tuesday, February 6 at 7:30 in the Resource Room to tie the tags.

Passion Sunday

Since we no longer have the able assistance of Tony, we will ask a person from each congregation to coordinate the palms, etc. for that Mass. Dean will write up directions for each person.

Dean will ask the following people:

8:00 Len Mecca

11:00 Steve Silvi

Fr. Dave will ask:

9:15 Joe O. junior or senior

4:00 Chuck Pennington

6:00 Clair Budnick

Holy Thursday

Florence, Helen, and Domenica will work on it. Domenica will ask Cornelia Sgoutas if she would like to help. Florence will ask Andrea. Helen will ask Greg Kryspin and Pat Hauptman. Perhaps Joe O., jr. will act as MC at this and all other services/masses.

Good Friday

Jeanne is coordinating and has begun preparing. Practice is Sat. March 31 at 11:00

Easter Vigil

Kathy and Dean will coordinate. There is no Baptism this year and no RCIA. There may be a Confirmation.

Easter Sunday

Note that 9:15 and 11:00 are crowded.

Scheduling of ministers

EMs will sign-up for Easter. EMs will be assigned for Passion Sunday. Lectors will be chosen for Passion Sunday, Holy Thurs, Good Fri, and Easter based on availability.

Other Issues

There will be no mission this year. The parish retreat will take place at the Mercy Center after Easter. GIFT will be held in Lent.

Next Meeting

We will discuss practice times for Holy Thurs and the Vigil lectors and get updates on plans for the Triduum and Passion Sunday. It will be held on Tuesday, March 13, at 7:30 pm. Father David will lead us in our opening prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,
Suzanne Calnon