

**ST. JEROME LITURGY COMMITTEE  
MINUTES for March 25, 2009**

**Present:** Fr. Mike, Florence Loch, M.J. Bruno, Andrea Licek, and Suzanne Calnon (chair)

The meeting was opened with a prayer offered by Father Mike.

Minutes of the 2/4/2009 meeting were read and approved.

**Lent**

Ash Wednesday: The services were well attended especially the Children's afternoon service.

The wooden circle/coins have all been taken. The tags are going quickly with many donations coming in. Dan has been replenishing them as needed.

There were no comments about the Lenten brochure. It is assumed it was well received as it has been in past years.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Passion Sunday, April 5**

Father Mike has three men to help strip and prepare palms. The ushers for each mass will also assist, and we are hoping Dean will coordinate all of these efforts. We are short on lectors for some masses; Suzanne will make calls to make sure all masses are covered with two lectors. The 9:15 mass has one adult and one child lector selected and will be rehearsed by Dan.

**Holy Thursday, April 9**

The committee has worked hard planning all the details of the liturgy. The committee approved a cellist for the offertory procession. Andrea reviewed the volunteers who have agreed to participate in the various aspects of the mass and those the committee has yet to secure. MJ will assemble the candles and wax protectors. Judi is asking three Confirmands from her class to bring up the oils. It was noted the review from last year's Holy Thursday recommended beginning at 7:30 rather than 7:00 as we are planning. We will discuss the time again at our after-Easter review. Fr. Mike reported feeling awkward standing by the Presider's chair during the lengthy entrance procession with everyone bowing. Since no one could recall a good reason for doing that it was decided that he will take part in the entrance procession as well.

**Good Friday, April 10**

Jeanne Tarrant was not present but the committee is confident she has all plans in order. (Please see note below.)

### **Easter Vigil, April 11**

Dean is working on this liturgy along with Father David. There are no RICA candidates this year. Dean sent a report indicating we will have the same number of readings and psalms. We may have on Baptism under “special circumstances.” Fr. Dave asked (via Fr. Mike) if Daniela and Jeanne are planning to sing. (Please see note below.)

### **OTHER BUSINESS:**

#### **Altar Servers**

We are still in need of altar servers. We have some new ones, but we are not sure if Dean has any others to be trained.

#### **Eucharistic Ministers**

Similarly, there is a need for more Eucharistic Ministers, especially at the 11:00 mass. Fr. Mike noted that in many parishes the same ministers serve every week since they are always at that mass; however Florence reported when EMs are assigned two weeks in a row they frequently voice displeasure to Dan. It was suggested that Dan ask for volunteers who would be willing to serve on a weekly basis.

#### **Lectors**

More lectors are needed for the 11:00 mass. Fr. Mike identified one interested person. Suzanne has contacted him to set up training, but an agreeable date has not yet been set.

#### **Next Meeting**

April 29, 7:00 pm in the upstairs classroom. Helen Eidt will offer the opening prayer. Happy Birthday to Florence on April 30!

#### **Note:**

1. After the meeting Jeanne reported everything for Good Friday has been planned. She will make sure the lectors receive their parts before the practice.
2. After the meeting Joe O. reported Daniela and Jeanne are planning to sing at the Vigil.
3. Dan reports as of the fourth Sunday of Lent virtually all of the 300 Lenten brochures had been taken.

Respectfully Submitted,

Suzanne Calnon, Chair