

ST. JEROME LITURGY COMMITTEE MINUTES

November 29, 2004

Present: Fr. David, Tony Petraia, Pat Olson, Florence Loch, Helen Eidt, Jeanne Tarrant, Domenica Gioiella, Dan Loch, Greg Kryspin, and Suzanne Calnon

The meeting was opened with a prayer offered by Suzanne.

Ministry Team - Florence

Chuck Pennington will serve as Eucharistic Minister at the 5PM mass. Fr. David will ask Betty Voutsinus to serve as well. Jeanne will ask Richard Olson and Margie Gallivan. Jeanne will also identify additional people at the 5 PM Mass to invite as ministers. We now need only four EMs at the 9:15 Mass.

There will be sign-ups for EMS and altar servers for the Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Masses. There will be sign-ups for altar servers, EMs, and lectors for 5 PM New Year's Eve, 9 AM and 11 AM New Year's Day, and the 5:00 PM Sunday vigil (for January 2).

Liturgy Coordinators - Domenica

It was brought to our attention we do not need anyone to bring up a candle in the entrance procession on the First Sunday of Advent since the Advent wreath will be blessed then lit for the first time that Sunday. Next year the Liturgy coordinators should be asked to provide candle lighters for the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Sundays of Advent only. Domenica will relay this to them next year. Coordinators are 5 PM - Lois Saviano, 8 AM - Len Mecca (in Nick Amente's absence), 11 AM - Bob Mulligan, and 6 PM - Judi Dennehy.

Liturgy Support - Jeanne

There will be four teen musicians for the 4 PM Christmas Eve Mass.

All Souls' Day Mass

Was well-received.

Thanksgiving

A beautiful service that was better attended than in previous years. There was good publicity with fliers and e-mail reminders. Singers Bill and Emily Hall added to the beauty of the mass. There was discussion that the recording that went with the Communion meditation was of poor quality and was disappointing after the professional singers. It was decided the recording is timed to go with the pictures and should remain, although perhaps a better quality music CD can be obtained.

Advent

Dan completed the Advent booklet and it has been distributed. It was updated with new graphics and readings. Thanks to Dan for a great job.

Lent

Ash Wednesday is February 9. It was decided to have the Lenten Cross again. It was noted that many slips were left last year. Some people felt

more preferred purchasing a concrete item rather than saying a prayer or doing a good deed. Dan will check with Barb Bagnato to see if we can coordinate Social Concerns Committee projects with the Lenten Cross donation tag requests. There may be needs expressed by the Good Shepherd House, Malta House, or Julie's kids. Helen will check with Julie Coyne. Domenica will check the published list from the Good Shepherd House. We will also encourage people to take a prayer slip and a good deed slip by suggesting that everyone take at least one slip per week during Lent. We'll also place fewer slips on the cross so it doesn't look so overwhelming. We'll ask for bulletin and pulpit announcements each week during Lent.

Domenica suggested we ask Fr. David (who had already left the meeting) if there is any objection to lighting candles on the altar on Holy Thursday at the beginning of Mass reminiscent of Passover as we did in the past. We recalled that we now present the oils and the candle lighting was eliminated after we studied Holy Thursday good practices and viewed the tapes.

We also would like to distribute the wooden circles with a cross on them on Ash Wednesday. Suzanne will ask Fr. David to order some. We need more than last year when 1,000 went!

Dan again will do the Lenten flier of reflections and meditations based on the Sunday readings.

At our next meeting (Jan. 24) we will make the tags for the Lenten Cross.

Passion Sunday and Tridium Committees were formed for the following:

- Passion Sunday - Dean Finch (to be asked) and Greg Kryspin
- Holy Thursday - Andrea Licek, Pat Olson, Florence Loch, Helen Eidt, and Greg Kryspin
- Good Friday - Jeanne Tarrant
- Easter Vigil - Tony Petraia, Dean Finch (to be asked), Fr. David

The next meeting will be held on Monday January 24 at 7:30 in the Resource Room. Domenica volunteered to preside over the opening prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Suzanne Calnon
Chairperson