

Liturgy Committee Meeting

Minutes

January 2, 2008

Facilitator: Douglas Lynn
Secretary: Brenda Estigoy
Attendance: Regina Aulisio, Joyce Meehan, Kathy Quinn, Kathy Santy, Lorraine Doering,
Fr. Mike Ratajczak

Call to Order/Prayer/Minutes

The meeting was called to order @ 7:01 p.m. and minutes from the November 2007 meeting were approved. The opening prayer was conducted in the chapel for reflection and thankfulness.

Action: None required

Old Business

Review of previous special liturgies –

Advent Candles: Douglas Lynn reported an issue regarding the proper disposal of used Advent candles. It was determined to donate the used candles.

Handbell Choir: a question was raised regarding the set-up of the choir in front of the nativity scene.

Action: Douglas Lynn will continue to work on the logistics for the choir.

Overall, the Christmas Masses were well attended, and compliments were given to the Environment Committee.

New Business and Planning

Lenten Penance Service (March 2, 2008 @ 4:00 p.m.) –

The MNM team will provide the music for the 4:00 p.m. Penance Service.

Action: Kathleen Bell to send notice reminder to Religious Education families and Environment Committee will set up.

Lenten Parish Retreat: Discussions were held regarding last year's Lenten Anointing Mass and the possibility of its return this year. It was determined that Fr. Mike will lead the Anointing Mass, at a new, yet-to-be determined date. It was recommended that the Mass not take place during the season of Lent.

Action: Fr. Mike to check his schedule and the parish schedule for an appropriate date for the Anointing Mass.

Press Releases Pending

The committee members were informed that Anne Marshall is the point of contact for event notifications.

Committee/Ministry Reports

Bereavement Ministry – None reported.

Ecumenical Affairs –

Regina Aulisio reported the upcoming Ecumenical/Interfaith Activities:

1) Ecumenical Advent Breakfast was held at Our Mother of Confidence Church. Regina Aulisio was nominated to be a member of the San Diego County Ecumenical Council which meets monthly.

2) North Coast Interfaith clergy – November 24, 2007 – Regina Aulisio attended the Thanksgiving service, an interfaith service which connects with Christian churches, Jewish synagogues, and Islamic mosques, as well as the Self-Realization temple in Encinitas. We are checking into the possibility of hosting a similar event here in the Tri-City area. The committee is targeting summer or fall for such an event.

3) Week of Prayer for Christian Unity – a prayer service will not be held this year due to the fact that most Christian pastors participated in the Congregations for Civic Action happening in October. The clergy felt that it was too soon to have another event. As the clergy of Congregations for Civic Action continue to meet it will be determined how we will celebrate our efforts for Christian unity.

Eucharistic Adoration – (John O'Donnell-Chair)

Lorraine Doering reported for John O'Donnell regarding the status of parishioner involvement. There is a schedule for CY 2008 which has been developed by the committee and a flyer regarding Eucharistic Adoration has been included in the weekly bulletin. The appointment cards have been generated and a table after each Mass has been represented by members to encourage sign-up.

It was recommended to find a parishioner who is willing to provide their testimony regarding their experience with Eucharistic Adoration; however, if the committee could not find a parishioner, a written statement could be placed into the bulletin.

Action: All members have been requested to raise awareness to all parishioners. Lorraine Doering to provide the recommendations to John O'Donnell.

Environment & Art: Kathy Quinn reported that the Christmas set-up ran smoothly and was thankful for the assistance. The committee will begin to prepare for the Lenten Season and is discussing plans for the altar preparations.

It was reported to Kathy Quinn that the outside banners are beginning to fray and may require attention.

Action: Kathy Quinn to repair banners.

Liturgical Ministers: Douglas Lynn

The committee members informed Douglas Lynn about the phenomenal job the readers have been doing over the past few months, especially during the Christmas Masses.

Action: None required.

Liturgical Music – Douglas Lynn

The choirs continue to practice and did a wonderful job during the Christmas Festival Concert (January 4, 2008). It was reported that a second Handbell Choir will be evolving which will include 8-12 children. Their first practice is targeted for January 9, 2008.

Action: None required

Round Table

There are increasing complaints regarding the glare off the North windows at sunset which mainly affects the Saturday Masses. It was reported by Fr. Mike that the cost for placing “non-glare” windows or blinds was not within our budgetary means at the present time.

Action: The Environment Committee will assess this issue and will return to the committee with possible “non-costly” ideas.

Next Meeting/Assignment of Prayer

The next meeting is scheduled for March 5, 2008. Kathy Quinn will lead the opening prayer.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:17 p.m.