



Liturgy Committee
Church of St. Thomas More
Minutes
November 7, 2007

Facilitator: Douglas Lynn
Attendance: Elaine Cassidy, Lorraine Doering, Douglas Lynn, Betty Nelson,
Kathy Quinn, Fr. Mike Ratajczak, Kathy Santy

Call to Order/Opening Prayer

- The meeting was called to order at 7:05pm by Douglas Lynn
- Kathy Quinn led the prayer.

Old Business

- *All Souls Masses* – Sr. Maureen Brown was grateful for the help provided. Many attended who experienced the death of a loved one from previous years.
- *Blessing of Animals* – There were lots of dogs.

New Business

- *Thanksgiving Centerpieces* – The Environment and Art Committee has suggested that they can create centerpieces for Thanksgiving tables to sell at \$10-15 with proceeds going to the flower fund for Christmas. (Note: After the meeting, it was decided that there was not enough time to advertise and create the centerpieces this year, but the committee will move forward in 2008.)
- *The crèche* – will occupy the upper level stage from December 17 through January 7. Henny Jocelyn will be asked to coordinate with the social ministries who may need the space.
- *Christmas Angel Ministry* – The Epiphany ingathering of gifts will take place before the liturgy begins, and announcements to that effect need to be made.
- *Our Lady of Guadalupe* – Masses at 8:15am and 11:00am (coinciding with Women's Guild luncheon). No evening Mass.
- *Immaculate Conception* – Saturday at 9:30am. No incense.
- *Fr. Michael Jacques* – Pastor our Sister Parish, St. Peter Claver in New Orleans, will visit and celebrate all Masses at STM for Baptism of the Lord, January 12-13.
- *Bishop Brom* – will visit STM on Monday, December 10 at 7:00pm for a dialogue on "Sexual Abuse and Other Related Issues."
- *Exposition 2008* – The schedule is completed. Lorraine Doering presented sign-up cards, a tool that may be used to help people remember their commitment. The Adoration Committee will meet when John O'Donnell returns to town to discuss improvements in the signing up process: emphasizing personal contact for reminders, a personal "witness" about adoration and exposition, distributing adoration ad exposition materials to Parish committees.
- *Monday Night Mass* – will be celebrating its first anniversary in December.

Press Releases

The committee was reminded of the process to send out press releases from the parish.

Committee/Ministry Reports

BEREAVEMENT

- All is well.

ECUMENICAL AND INTERRELIGIOUS AFFAIRS

- *Abraham Path to Peace* – Fr. Mike shared information about a group that is creating a path of the “journey” of Abraham in Turkey and Israel.
- *Ecumenical Council of San Diego* – The Council is adopting “Abraham Path of Peace” as an “effort” to get Christians involved.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION – No additional report

ENVIRONMENT AND ART – No additional report

LITURGICAL MINISTERS – New schedule out next week. New Altar Servers are stepping up through the efforts of Tilly Rudolph who is recruiting and training. The committee discussed a future catechesis about applause in liturgy.

Round Table

- *Cantors* – Kathy Santy initiated further discussion about the proposal for professional cantors.
- *Purificators* – Elaine Cassidy inquired about the requirement of a cross stitched into the purificators.

Next Meeting/Prayer

- The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 2, 2008 at 7:00pm.
- Lorraine Doering will lead the prayer.
- The meeting was adjourned with prayer at 8:30pm.