

Liturgy Team Report

12 January 2003

Attendees: Claudia Helta, Sally Huber, Bill Crosthwait, Theresa Killar, John Jaffee, Therese Ivanish, Janice Dec-Bienkowski, Gloria Przybocki, Fr. John, Holly Looney

- Evaluation of Advent (Things that went well)
 - Everything was beautiful
 - Introductory Rite went smoothly
 - New families were pleased to be part of the liturgy (lighting the Advent Wreath and presentation of the gifts)
 - Beautiful music
 - People were moved at the General Intercessions when the name of the person was sung
- Evaluation of Advent (Things that need to be improved)
 - The General Intercessions confused some lectors (when they were read and when they were sung). Will this be expanded to be done on a regular basis at mass?
 - Some families were not sure when to leave the Advent Wreath.
 - Mention the family name of the people lighting the Advent Wreath.
 - More people (ministers, participants) should have a copy of the script for the rite
 - Perhaps bring out the theme more in the homilies
- Evaluation of Christmas
 - Too many people in church for both of the 4:00 pm masses (How do we limit the number of people? Perhaps 2 children's masses? Perhaps a 4:00, 6:00, 8:00, and 11:00 on Christmas Eve?)
 - The church was decorated nicely.
 - Attendance was down because of the snowfall Christmas Eve and Christmas Day
- Retreat for all liturgical ministers (Saturday, 1 March 2003)
 - 10 am – 3 pm
 - Presented by Fr. Phil Latronico who will stay and preside at the 5:30 mass
 - Will be publicized through the bulletin, the calendar and the web site
 - An informational letter will be included with the February schedules
- Budget requests for 2003-4
 - Ministries who need things included in the liturgy budget should email them to Holly by 2/10
- Celebration Team to plan Lent/Easter
 - Sally Huber volunteered to be a part of this. We are looking for more people to help.
 - As the team writes the prayers, these will tie in more to the prayers of the universal church
- Lent
 - We will be kneeling during Lent for the Kyrie (Penitential Rite). Instructions to do so will be included in the script.

- Again, we will be leaving the church in silence. This will be part of the announcements at the end of mass. People will be asked to stay and spend a few moments in prayer or leave in silence.
- Good Friday stations will remain in the country church.
- Easter Triduum
 - Service Times
 - Holy Thursday – 7:30 pm in the Ijamsville Church (with the entire Music Ministry participating)
 - Good Friday Stations – 3 pm in the Ijamsville Church
 - Good Friday Service – 7:30 pm in the Ijamsville Church (with the Cantoring Ministry)
 - Blessing of Food
 - Easter Vigil – Sunset at 7:52 pm; Time to be determined (with the Liturgical Choir)
 - Sunrise Service beginning outside and processing into the country church; Civil twilight at 5:58 am; Sunrise at 6:26 am; Time of service to be determined
 - 8:00 am (with the Women of Worship)
 - 10:00 am (with the Contemporary Ensemble)
 - Noon (with the children’s choir)
 - Fr. John will determine the readings for the Easter Vigil by next week.
- Other items
 - The calendar and scheduling process for the parish buildings needs to be looked at in order to prevent conflicts.
 - May 11 or 25 (late afternoon) are possible dates for May Crowning outside of mass
 - Book of Gospels is backordered. Fr. John has a stand so that the Book of Gospels may be placed on the altar once it has been carried in as part of the Entrance Rite. Claudia Helta is talking to Denis Reen about adding a shelf to the front of the ambo for the Book of Gospels. But we need to know the size of the book prior to this being done. We will be carrying in the Book of Gospels, beginning the second week of February.
 - Additional implementation of the new GIRM (General Instruction of the Roman Missal) will be done at a later date, perhaps during the Easter season.
 - If there is no commentator at mass, the Cantor will do the Call to Worship and the Lector will do the announcements.
 - Janice, Paul, Fr. John and Holly will meet SOON to discuss the Children’s Liturgy, scheduled for February 22 and the liturgies for the Easter season.

NEXT MEETING: Sunday, January 26 at 4:00 p.m.