

Liturgy Team Report

2 March 2003

Attendees: Janice Dec-Bienkowski, Paul Szczerowski, Therese Ivanisn, Sally Huber, Teresa Killar, Suzanne Fink, Fr. John, John Jaffee, Bill Crosthwait and Holly Looney

- Lenten Crosses
 - As people leave church the first Sunday of Lent, they will receive a bag with two twigs, twine and a prayer card in it. They are to make a cross and this will be the focus for Lent. They are invited to return and place them on the Easter fire at the Easter Vigil.
 - Louise Shaw and Georgette Yedinek's names were offered as possibilities to help assemble the packages.
- Lenten Scripts
 - The first two Sundays were distributed. These will be posted online as well. Thanks to Sally Huber, Trish Reggio, Joyce Swartz and Lynne and Doug Shuman for writing them.
 - The prayer intention for the month (as asked by the Pope) and the request to leave in silence will be the LAST announcement by the commentator so that it will be fresh in the people's minds.
- Formation Day at Mt. St. Mary's on March 22
 - Anyone interested in attending should contact Holly. It would be nice if we can submit the registrations early to get a group discount.
- Holy Week Rehearsals
 - Palm Sunday (Sunday, April 6 at 1:00 pm) – Holly will direct.
 - Holy Thursday (Tuesday, April 8 at 7:30 pm) – Holly will direct.
 - Good Friday (Friday, April 11 at 8:15 pm) – Pat James will direct.
 - Easter Vigil (Tuesday, April 15 at 7:30 pm) – Holly will direct.
- Palm Sunday Procession
 - Palms will be distributed to people as they enter church.
 - There will be an area to bless a display of palm set up in the window alcove on platforms. The blessing and Gospel reading will be done there. Then there will be a procession including some of the people participating in Disciples in Mission, new families and others at the mass (but not everyone) through the church. The ministers and presider will process down the middle aisle at the end of the procession. There will be 6-7 people on each side of the middle aisle holding palms over the people as they go down the aisle. All will then go to their seats.
 - We need one person for each mass to be in charge of organizing the participants. Teresa Killar will cover the 8:00 am mass on Palm Sunday.
- Holy Thursday
 - Washing of the feet (Mandatum): There will be 6 chairs in front of the altar. Parishioners will go up there and Fr. John will wash their feet. They, in turn, will go to 6 other parishioners sitting in chairs in the aisles

around the church and will wash their feet. The call to serve belonging to all the faithful will be reinforced through this.

- In the mass booklet will be a card. On the card each person will write some form of service that they will do. The order during this part of the mass will be: Washing of the feet, completion of the service cards and the collection of them using the offertory baskets, General Intercessions and then the collection itself.
- The Eucharistic Ministers will be invited to participate in the procession for the transfer of the Holy Eucharist.
- The altar will be stripped at the end of the mass, including the removal of the rug. We will investigate the removal of the altar.
- Good Friday
 - We need to check to see if Fr. Dan is participating in the evening service.
 - A cantor will intone as the cross is brought forward.
 - The large wooden cross, which is being stored in the country church, will be used.
- Easter Vigil
 - Larry James will be in charge of the fire.
 - The new Baptismal bowl will be used. We need to investigate about the stand for the bowl.
 - There will be three readings from the Old Testament. The reading from the Book of Exodus will be a musical setting.
- Hymn Board
 - We need to investigate how we can make the numbers more visible to the people.

Next Meeting: April 27 at 5:00 pm at the Urbana Parish Office.