4/7/18 Liturgy minutes @ SMC Parish Center 10:00- 11:30 Opening Prayer: by Fr. Leo

Attending: Fr. Leo, Patty Larzelere, Fr. Felicjan, Deacon Tim Hebding & Therese, Maggie Turner-Reed, Joanne Donovan, Rose Jensen, Ann McMullen, Martina Agona, Anna & David Hurley, Shelly Maciejewski & Phyllis Macig

3/3 Minutes: Approved 4/7 Agenda: approved. Corrections: ----------------- followed by corrected info.

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| Ash Wednesday, 2/14 | We achieved the right mix of times and locations, as all Masses were well attended. Next year’s date is 3/7. |
| Prayer Aids, including Lenten Small Groups (The Journey) | Biggest group was one that met at Cobblestone Springs, Himrod. Attendance for all groups was good, except when the weather was problematic. Overall, parishioners felt that there were too many resources! Little Purple books were only for St. Mike’s students. St. Pat’s got Little Black Books in English and Spanish (no difference in appearance on cover). Living Faith (covering January-March) was gift from Catholic Daughters for supporting their events in 2017. It was more expensive than desired. Fr. Leo suggested “Catholic Updates.” Price is more what the Daughters want to spend. Also available, in addition to The Journey (duplicate and bulletin insert (but not enough of them for all bulletins) items in this package; some DVD copies would not play), were Our Daily Bread and The Word Among Us. Can surveying the parishioners through the Care of the Community meetings give us some guidance for what to order for next year? Committee members, please report next month about how many of the resources are left at the worship sites you represent. |
| Operation Rice Bowl (ORB) | Nancy Richardson will report to Melissa Conrad the total collected. It will be in the bulletin. |
| Bread & Soup Suppers | Good attendance at all, except the one planned for St. Pat’s, which was snowed out. |
| Day of Penance & Mercy, 3/14 | Despite the weather, priests heard more confessions this year than last. Division of times between worship sites was good. Continue to catechize entire parish on the beauty and need for the Sacrament (vs. relativism). |
| Chrism Mass | Tim & Terri reported ~~it was better organized this year~~ there was more uniformity for distribution of the oils this year. |
| Holy Week | Overall, decorations were good. Consider meeting on the Saturday before Palm Sunday next year. Reps: check to make sure the red binders contain all three cycles of readings. Let Fr. Leo know of any problems. Blank schedules made Holy Week planning easier. In 2019: assign one person as the site planner and have people who are scheduling report to this person. THANKS TO ALL WHO WORKED SO HARD TO MAKE HOLY WEEK RICH & BEAUTIFUL! |
| Palm Sunday | At St, Mike’s a large bunch of palms was left over. For 2019: For lectors (in the red binders): “Voice & Other” should be one lector. Leave in silence. |
| Holy Thursday | Mass attendance: 78@ Jan’s; 75 @ Mike’s. For foot washing: We are all called to wash each other’s feet. Try to have reps from all locations at both Jan’s & Mike’s as those having a foot washed. 2019: More communication between Jan’s & Mike’s re who are assigned as lectors. |
| Good Friday | Reconciliation was between 1-2 PM at Jan’s & Mike’s. 10 confessors @ Jan’s; enough to fill the hour at Mike’s. Increase this opportunity to 2 hours in 2019. Service attendance: 35 @ Jan’s; 100 @ Mike’s. |
| Easter Vigil | Denis & Shelly did a great job with the new fire. Still problematic: getting people in and passing the light to them. Music was lovely. Next year get members from all locations in the choir. Tim sang the Exsultet (long form). More altar servers needed. (2019: Ask Putnam children from St. Pat’s.) Mary Jepsen coordinated the reception. Those who lingered helped clean up and set up chairs for the 7 AM service. |
| Easter Sunday | Children’s Liturgy of the Word was offered at the 9:30 @ Mike’s. An Easter song should be sung at all worship sites until Pentecost. There was a low turnout at the ecumenical sunrise service at St. Jan’s. The large amount of food donated by area vendors was offered as a bunch after the 10 AM Mass. Well received! Planning to do this again in 2019. |
| Music Leader @ St. Pat’s | Until an instrumentalist can be found, Judy Willing will lead acapella. Contact Joanne, if you know an instrumentalist. |
| Today’s Liturgy | This is a planner for all music leaders. It wasn’t being received by all who needed them. Patty will work with Melissa to ensure that the next editions get distributed correctly. |
| Altar Server Robes | Joanne gave her report to Patty who had done an inventory at St. Mike’s and received one by email from Maggie. Patty will present findings at May meeting. |
| Active Shooter Training | Fr. Leo: Scheduled for St. Mike’s ushers on 3/3 & 4. Once it is worked out with them, a meeting will be scheduled to work out the process for the other worship sites. |
| Divine Mercy Sunday, 4/8 | A baptism is scheduled for the 9:30 Mass @ Mike’s, so Fr. Leo will encourage the family to take pics at the side altar or in the chapel so that all attending Mass can leave in silence. While singing “O Saving Victim” monstrance will be brought to the Sanctuary. Signup sheets indicated that there would be gaps in coverage. Tim & Terri will be there throughout and take breaks when others are there. At 3 PM Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be prayed, followed by Benediction. THANKS TIM & TERRI!! |
| Continued study | Fr. Leo informed that the cover of his 4/15 will invite parishioners to continue growing in faith through study. Deadline to return the questionnaire will be 4/30. |
| Altar candles | St. Theresa’s needs some. Ones available in the Sacristy at Mike’s are not the same. Will be ordered. |
| Adoration @ St. Jan’s | Moving from Friday AMs to Thursday AMs at St. Jan’s beginning 4/19. |
| Great Catholic Parishes | Fr. Leo gave all a double sided sheet about this book, which Parish Council is reading. He asks that all of us read the handout prior to the May meeting. If interested in reading the book, contact Ann Paige, Parish Council President. |
| Goal of Liturgy | Fr. Leo reminded us that it is to provide great services, especially the Sunday Mass. (Liturgy’s definition: (From the Catholic Encyclopedia) “the whole complex of official services, all the rites, ceremonies, prayers, and sacraments of the Church, as opposed to private devotions.” Its second definition is “the work of the people.” Fr. Leo will be sending a document helping us to dig deeper into how well we are meeting the goal. Discuss in May how to do a self-study at each worship site, examining strengths, weaknesses and needs. |
| Mass Intentions | We have many scheduled for the weekends, but few for daily Masses. Ask parishioners to consider daily Mass intentions ($10) for birthdays, anniversaries and the deceased. Schedule through Patsy for Jan’s & Pat’s; Melissa for Mike’s & Theresa’s. |
| Fr. Felicjan’s vacation | 4/23-5/24. He has arranged priest coverage. Anyone requesting Baptism or any other sacrament need to contact Fr. Leo. |
| Ascension Thursday, 5/10 | Mass schedule: Vigil (5/9) @ Mike’s, 7 PM. 5/10: 8 AM @ Jan’s, 11AM @ Mike’s & 7 PM @ Jan’s. |
| 5/13 Mother’s Day, First Holy Communion @ Mike’s | @ 9:30 Mass. 4 children from 3 families. |
| Pentecost, 5/20 | One child will be receiving her First Holy Communion at Jan’s on this day. *From Feb. Minutes:* All worship sites to find a banner to add to the entrance procession. Ask all parishioners to wear red, orange or yellow. (Martina will submit bulletin announcement. THANK YOU!) Offering “The Our Father” in one’s native tongue: 5/19, 5 PM: Mike’s: Sheryl Ann Mineses (Tagalog); \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ St. Jan’s 5/20: 8:00 @ St. Pat’s: Bob/Teresa Coombs (Spanish); 9:30 @ Mike’s: Rose to ask Ruth Dellar (Polish); 11:15 @ St.Theresa’s: Maggie will work on it. |
| Memorial Day weekend | @ Jan’s 5 PM Mass returns to the Sanctuary. 7 AM Mass returns to Mike’s on 5/27. |
| Year of the Eucharist | Any ideas on how to end it? Evaluate its effectiveness? |
| Next meeting | 5/5, 10 AM SMC Hall |

Closing Prayer by Fr. Felicjan