

MQHR Liturgy Committee Agenda

January 20, 2026 7pm

Prayer/Oracion-Adam Snacks/Aperitivos- Jennie Wine- John

Liturgy Committee Minutes

3-17-26

In attendance: Father Miguel Alvizures (pastor), Father John Becerra, Adam Beeken (chair, music), Kristy Bratten (altar servers), Jenna Canning (facilitators and funerals), Deacon Pat DeLuca, Bernie Fritz (communications), Jennie Hayes (art and environment), John Hayes (lectors), Peggy Gabriel (recorder), Marty Terhune [on zoom] (ushers), Jane Toms (hospitality).

Prayer- Liturgy of the Hours

- **Minutes** – Jenna moved, Bernie seconded accepting minutes of the 1-22-26 meeting as presented. To save paper, minutes will no longer be printed. Adam will distribute them via email before the meeting; members are asked to review them online and bring changes, additions and deletions to the meeting.
- Adam reported that Burying of the Alleluia and burning ashes before Ash Wednesday went well. Ashes were packaged for people to take home. In the future, the paraliturgy will be done at Mary Queen School.
- **Numbers** -- 7:00 and 7:10 Ash Wednesday Masses were undercounted at 1200. There was probably closer to 16-1700. Worshippers were undercounted because attendance was too disorganized to count accurately. The number reported for the 8:15 Mass is the people beyond students and staff. Adam asked if there were any comments about parking lot. No one reported hearing anything, but it was crowded. Cara commented that it took 30 minutes to get out of the parking lot after the 5:30 p.m. Mass. Father Miguel and Adam have discussed having the secondary Spanish Mass at Lexington Catholic instead of the gym in order to alleviate the traffic and parking lot issue. The 7:00 Mass would be at LCHS and 7:30 at MQHR. **There will be more discussion about the addition with the Hispanic community.** Adam sent an email to the principal of Lexington Catholic but, he has not responded yet.
- The sheet of times and dates of Lent/Holy Week/Easter events was not created. Bernie suggested more promotion for the Friday stations, separately from the fish fry. **Father Miguel said it could be announced after Mass. Bernie will send notification to Jennifer for inclusion in announcements.**

Old Business

**RECEIVE GOD'S LOVE, PROCLAIM THE GREATNESS OF THE LORD,
SERVE JOYFULLY, AND MAKE MISSIONARY DISCIPLES OF JESUS CHRIST.**

- The parish is looking to improve the sound system in the church; action has not been taken.
- There continues to be attention to the Mass schedule, taking into consideration the transition between services. It was noted that even three or four minutes makes a difference in crowds coming in and going out.
- Adam was the only person in attendance at the Parish Pastoral Council goals and vision meeting. In the summer, Liturgy Committee members should plan to set 2-3 goals for each ministry that are in line with the goals set by the PPC.
A meeting to set goals will be planned for a Saturday in July.

Upcoming Dates

- Holy Week.
- Divine Mercy: Solemn vespers after 5:00 Mass on Divine Mercy Sunday.
- First Communion Masses are planned for 4/25-26 at all Masses. Families will make the decision about which Mass to attend; there will also be dedicated Masses on Saturday, 4/25 at 10:00 (English) and 1 p.m. (Spanish).

New Business

The corporate ministry workshop was held January 20. **Adam asked that every ministry plan an event that will continue its formation before the end of the academic calendar.** Adam is available to assist with subject matter and planning. The event should be informed by goal setting.

Ministry updates

- Jennie Hayes (Arts and Environment) Pascal candle as well as other sacramentals for Holy Week and Easter have been ordered and/or received. She asked for input about the design of the new processional banner that will be used for the Chrism Mass on March 31. Pat Goodpastor made new banner; Jennie gave an approximation of the size of the logo and said that she thinks it needs to be bigger. The cost of lasering the logo onto the banner is \$40; the embroidery would cost another \$40. Jennie suggested adding the name of the church and crest for the Chrism Mass this year and adding an embroidered rosary for 2027. **Please give additional thoughts to Jennie.**
- Bernie Fritz (Communication) has given all times and dates for Palm Sunday, Holy Week and Easter to Jennifer for inclusion in the March 22 bulletin. Times for additional Palm Sunday Masses need to be set in time for publication. Time TBD. Jennie asked if more palms need to be ordered. Will add and change.
- Cara Johnson (Formation) Nothing to report.
- Jenna Canning (Facilitators and funerals) Nothing to report.
- Kristy Bratton (Altar servers) Diocese is holding a recognition Mass and reception for all servers hosted by the Serra Club. Sending email, got names of servers from MQ School from Mr. Norton (assistant principal). She will submit all servers' names. The event will be Sunday May 17 at CTK. The Serra Club would like to make the recognition an annual event. Names will be submitted

and they will receive the commemorative coin and certification. There will be a rehearsal for Easter Vigil at 8:30 a.m. on Holy Saturday. She doesn't know yet who will be serving.

- Jane Toms (Hospitality) Spoke about the ministry at MQ School, received a list of names but heard from no one.
- John Hayes (Lectors, English-speaking) Nothing to report.
- Adam Beeken (Music) Stations of the Cross were successful, would like to hold a similar paraliturgy annually on Laetare Sunday. The stations were projected, music was used for every other station.
- Marty Terhune [on zoom] (Ushers) Two new ushers have been trained; still recruiting ministers for 5 p.m. Mass.

Other business

- Parish Council is reviving several areas, looking for chairs for parish life, communication and hospitality. Jennifer's podcast is very popular.
- Time to revisit guidelines for each ministry.
- Adam gave an explanation of the layout for the outdoor blessing of the fire for Easter Vigil, which will be indoors in case of rain.
- Next meeting, April 21, 7 p.m. English.

Transition to bi-lingual portion.

- Overcrowding at 1:00 Mass (Spanish) was discussed. People coming in from procession results in a seating problem. It was suggested that a second Mass be offered at 3:00 on Sunday or 6:00 on Saturday evening. Adam asked if a Mass at 6:00 would draw people from 1:00. The Hispanic members thought it was worth trying. Adam's main concern was having ministry coverage. Saturday March 28, 6 p.m. will be added.
- Books are set for reading the Passion. **John will check on them.** Schedule for deacons have not been set.
- Adam is still waiting to hear about a smoke alarm at the gym. He is concerned that a lot of incense, could cause the sprinklers to go off. **Adam asked Father Miguel to use a little less.**
- There is no clear procedure for collecting Rice Bowls. Could we have baskets in the gathering area for collecting them? Good Friday service includes a dedicated collection for Holy Land. Rice Bowls can be collected on Holy Thursday, but the general offertory is for the parish.
- Becky Brown says that MQ School kids are handling their own Rice Bowl collections.
- Adam suggested that we announce on Palm Sunday that Rice Bowls will be collected throughout the Triduum.
- Adam distributed sheets for sign-up for bi-lingual Holy Thursday and Easter Vigil liturgies ministers. Holy Thursday will be led English-speaking greeters, ushers, Easter Vigil by Spanish-speaking ministers. On the altar, we want equal

ministry representation. Adam asked Jane to find English speakers to help with hospitality at Easter Vigil.

- Good Friday, we will have standard offering procedure
- Holy Thursday and foot washing will be a little different. Several people invite people; we also have some additional people present themselves. Folks said that people are coming up spontaneously.
- At Spanish meeting, interest was expressed in including more traditional Latino decoration at the altar of repose. **Father John will be responsible for that decoration.** It was asked if there could be a longer period of adoration. Adam and Father Miguel feel that ending at midnight is best and safe.
- **When scripts for Holy Week are near completion, Adam will send them out.**
- Cara reported that we have a small group of catechumens this year. One Spanish-speaking adult and two children, two English-speaking, with two children.
- There was concern about overcrowding at the 11:00 Mass on Easter Sunday. For safety purposes, there will be no chairs set up in the gathering area.
- Marty foresees a lot of people standing but will not bring out extra seating. The crowd may be smaller this year because Easter Sunday is at the beginning of Spring Break. **Adam will announce the need for close seating.**
- Sue Sopala and Trish Dryer will carry the banner and receive the oils at the Chrism Mass on March 31
- Confirmation will be held on Saturday, May 2 at 9:30 a.m. (English) and 1:00 p.m. (Spanish) Back of the house ministers are needed.
- The flowered Easter cross will remain in place until the May crowning on May 3.

Future Meeting Dates

April 21 (English), May 19/26 (Spanish)

Vision Statement:

We are Transformed by the Holy Spirit, United in Christ, and Sent to do God's Work.

PPC Goals

+Celebrate the sacraments with reverence, especially the Eucharist.

+Encourage full, active, and conscious participation in Mass for people of all ages and walks of life.

+Offer diverse music and prayer experiences that reflect our community's cultures and generations.

LITURGY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Facilitators & Funerals

Jenna Canning

Ushers

Marty Terhune

Altar Servers

Kristy Bratten

Fr. Michael Flanagan

Sacramental Formation

Cara Johnson

Priests

Fr. Miguel Alvizures

Fr. Michael Flanagan

Fr. John Becerra

Lectors

John Hayes

Arts & Environment

Jennie Hayes

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Peggy Mann

Jeanne Singh

Communication

Bernie Fritz

Recorder

Peggy Gabriel

Extraordinary Ministers

Paul Dryer

Hospitality

Jane Toms

Music

Adam Beeken

Kit Donohue

Children's Liturgy (CLOW)

Stephanie Beeken

Deacons

Dcn. Pat DeLuca

Dcn. Nick Nickl