

Trinity Cluster Liturgy Minutes March 4th, 2021

The Liturgy Committee met on Thursday, March 4th, 2021 at 6PM at St. Patrick. Present were Connie Leete, Joanne Enyart, Betty Heins, Julie Heitland, Lilia Tinderholt, Utoni Ruff, Terri Strutt, chair, Barb Ruff and Father Chris. Absent were Linda Miller and Blanca Schroeder.

The meeting was opened with Connie Leete reading the "Breastplate of St. Patrick".

The minutes from the zoom meeting in February were approved.

Review of Cluster events: St. Mary's Drive-thru fish fry went very well. They served about 350. Ash Wednesday was well attended at all parishes. St. Bridget had to open the hall doors for more seating. The stations are going well. Stations will be canceled at St. Patrick on March 17th as there will be a mass that evening instead.

Upcoming events: Confirmation retreat plans are set for March 14th at St. Patrick. St. Patrick will be having a drive-thru Dinner on March 21st from 11AM until 1PM. Serving Hot Beef Sandwiches. Confirmation will be held on April 18th at St. Bridget at the 8AM Mass. First Communion will be the weekend of May 1st & 2nd at each parish.

Discussion on the "Catholic Hymnody at the Service of the Church" sent to members by Father Chris. He said that the musicians needed to be mindful of the words in the music especially in some of the newer songs.

Holy Week: Each parish will provide the readers needed for Holy Thursday and Good Friday. On Palm Sunday, Father will do the Gospel reading in the back. There will be no blessing of the palms. After the reading, Father will process in during the opening song and mass will continue as usual. More readers may be needed for the reading of the Passion. Holy Thursday is at St. Patrick at 7PM. Bells to be rung during the Gloria. After that there are no bells until Easter Vigil. There will be no washing of the feet. Clappers could be used instead. The oils will be blessed on Tuesday of Holy Week and distributed by the Deanery chair. They will need to be changed out before the Triduum at each parish. They will not be processed in during Holy Thursday. Father will do a procession for the transfer of the Blessed Sacrament. Good Friday is at St. Bridget at 5:30PM and at 7PM in Spanish. The Passion will be read, Communion distributed but no adoration of the Cross. Father stated that the statues and cross could be covered for the fifth Sunday of Lent until Easter.

Easter Vigil will be at St. Mary at 7PM. Fire will be inside. Blessing of the candle. No procession in. The people will stay in pews. Exultet to be sung. Father said he would do it, if needed. First reading will be by St. Bridget, second reading by St. Mary and third reading by St. Patrick. Gloria with bells. Epistle will be read by St. Mary. No sprinkling rite during Easter Octave but there will be blessing of the water. Easter Sunday masses will be St. Bridget at 8AM and St. Patrick at 10AM. Candle and water to be blessed. Easter Sunday has a sequence to be sung or recited.

In other items: The cluster will not have a communal reconciliation but there are some in the area as well during the weekends by Father. Father will do anointing of the sick sometime in April.

Senior send-off will be the weekend of May 8th & 9th at each parish.

April meeting will be canceled. The next meeting will be May 6th at 6PM. Betty Heins will be prayer leader.

The meeting was closed by praying two Hail Mary's.

Respectfully submitted by:

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