

St Isidore Cluster Liturgy Committee  
Tuesday, October 16, 2018  
St Isidore Catholic Center, Osage  
Approved Minutes

**Meeting called to order** by Annette Uker, Chairperson at 1:36pm

**Opening prayer** led by Annette

**Attendance:** Annette Uker, Father Burkle, Barb Brumm, Karen Thome, Karen Brumm, Anita Adams, and Deb Popp. Excused were Linda Stefl and Mary Ann Klapperich

**Approval of Minutes** for February 9, 2018: Barb made a motion to approve. Approved by vote.

**Agenda:** Addition of Mass server albs, Prayers of the Faithful, and Safe Environment training

**Old Business:** No old business to discuss

**New Business:**

- **Mass times – October, November, December 2018:** Annette presented a print out of the scheduled masses for the stated months. Father explained that the Christmas Eve mass schedule is the same time and locations as has been the past two years. Due to the Parish Hall in Osage not capable of handling a big crowd and the uncertainty of when the new church would be complete, it was decided to leave the schedule as is.
- **Prayer jar, cross at Sacred Heart:** The Faith Formation classes have been using a jar to place each child's prayer requests in as they come to class. There has been a suggestion to incorporate this into the entire parish. A jar will be placed at the entrance with paper for parishioners to write their prayer needs on and place in the jar. They would then be brought to the altar with the gifts at presentation of the gifts. The petitions would then be placed in some type of cross that would allow visibility of the papers/petitions inside.
- **Usher training:** Annette asked what duties should be included in the training. It should be remembered that ushers are not only ushers but greeters of the congregation as they arrive for mass. Discussion on arrival time of ushers resulted in a decision of 20 minutes ahead of mass time as appropriate. Another duty would be to assure that all books are picked up and in the holder after mass. Father didn't feel that they needed to be in perfect order but should be off the pews. Father has a training sheet started and will make revisions and send it to Barb and Anita.
- **\$300 altar cloth donation:** The family of Eileen Kleckner donated \$300 towards the purchase of a new altar cloth. Deb and Linda will investigate sizes and make a decision.
- **All Saints/Souls –** Photos will be placed in church November 1-30. A letter was sent out October 3<sup>rd</sup> to families asking for photos of deceased members by October 28<sup>th</sup>. Both parishes have received only 2 photos to date. In the past Annette has made copies of photos for those not received from the Champion Bucheit Funeral Home website but has been having difficulty printing the correct size recently.
- **Advent book:** The Biggest Lie in the History of the Church, will be available for parishioners at the beginning of Advent. There have been 140 copies for Sacred Heart and 100 copies for Visitation ordered. Funding for these books is from the Faith Formation budget.

- **Decorating for Christmas** will be December 20<sup>th</sup> or after. Deb reports that she and Linda have 2 plans made for SH, one for the church hall and one for the new church, so they are ready to mobilize either plan depending on where Christmas mass will be.
- **Prayers at end of Mass:** In light of the abuse scandal, there is need for parishes to do something because of it. Two prayers that have been suggested are Prayer to St. Michael and Prayer to St. Rafael. Archbishop Jackels suggests Prayer to St Rafael. He is the patron saint of our diocese and is the patron saint of healing. This prayer should not be a part of the mass so should be said after the closing song or may be said before mass before the announcements. Father also suggested that we could just purchase prayer cards to be sent home so that individuals could pray them at home. Discussion about when to pray them and which prayer to use resulted in consensus that before mass would be best, that we could alternate every other week or month, but that one should be recited every week. Father will send the prayers to each of us to review. Father felt that there should be an introduction for the first several times to explain why the prayers are being said and give the background of each.
- **Chaplet of Divine Mercy:** There have been prayer cards for the chaplet at the back of church for some time. Annette questioned whether there should be something else done with it. Deb shared a CD she has and Barb said it is available on youtube. Using it at adoration was discussed. Father suggested adding a prayer link to the parish website with prayer opportunities available.
- **First Mass in new church** at Sacred Heart. It is still uncertain when we will be able to celebrate mass in the new church. Father felt that we need to start addressing this now so that a transition to the new church is planned and ready when the time comes. He felt a committee should be formed to start discussing whether we wait until the Bishop can come bless the church or if we begin holding mass and he would bless the church later when available. Also discussion of a procession from the hall to the church, music, etc needs to be addressed. A committee will be formed to begin these discussions.
- **Sweetheart Mass and lunch/dessert /fun** – Friday, February 15<sup>th</sup> at Sacred Heart. This will be for married or engaged couples. Annette was hoping for an individual to help organize. The Parish Life committee could also be involved. The dinner would be a catered event to lessen the amount of work for parishioners. A fun game/activity will follow the dinner.
- **Polka Mass at Sacred Heart:** June 30, 2019. Polka music will be provided by Molly B for mass and then for a 3-4 hour time period following. There would be a lunch after mass. Discussion of how much time between mass and music in the hall resulted in no more than an hour, possibly less. Other activities are possible but planning is just in the initial stages.
- **St Blaise** – Blessing of the throats: Feast of St Blaise falls on Sunday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>. Blessing of throats will take place at all masses that weekend.
- **Mass server albs:** There have been comments that these appear dingy and need replacement. Deb and Linda will check condition of albs and look in to replacement needs
- **Prayers of the Faithful:** Barb inquired where these are taken from. Annette reported that they are taken from the book Prayers of the Faithful. Father felt it would be good to also include a petition for those newly baptized or married .
- **Safe Environment Training:** All cluster employees and anyone who works with children are required to do the Archdiocesan Safe Environment Training on line. This should be completed by December.

**Next Meeting Date: February 5, 2019 at 1:30, Visitation Faith Formation Center**

**Meeting adjourned** at 2:59

Respectfully submitted,  
Karen Thome