

St Isidore Cluster Liturgy Committee  
Thursday, November 2, 2017  
St Isidore Catholic Center, Osage  
Approved Minutes

**Meeting called to order** by Linda Stefl, Chairperson

**Opening prayer** led by Linda

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

**Approval of Minutes** for February 2, 2017: Barb made a motion and Deb seconded to approve the minutes. Approved by consensus.

**Agenda:** Additions to agenda were:

- Eucharistic Minister training and commissioning
- Altar server training and adult altar servers

**Old Business:**

Father wanted to reemphasize the points about music brought up at the last meeting.

- The music chosen should be appropriate for the theme of the mass. As an example he used the All Saints Day mass from the evening before which did not contain music related to All Saints.
- The length of the song should be appropriate for the time needed at the different parts of the mass.
- The Processional hymn should last until Father is at his chair and he has a comfortable amount of time to “catch his breath” before beginning the mass
- The Preparation of the Gifts hymn should last until the washing of the hands is completed. Don’t start another verse if Father is ready to wash his hands
- The Communion hymn should last through the congregation receiving communion.
- The Recessional hymn should be long enough for Father to completely exit the aisle.
- A verse of the hymn could be repeated if the time for the hymn needed to be extended or a second hymn may be used.
- Soft music could be continued for the remainder of time needed.

**New Business:**

- Today’s Liturgy was printed with mistakes. There are songs printed that are not appropriate for the mass listed. Father handed out copies of the revised edition.
- Advent begins Dec. 2nd/3rd and ends December 23/24th weekends.
  1. Mass setting for the Advent season will be the Heritage mass at Sacred Heart.
  2. There will be no bulletin inserts during Advent this year. Instead, a book will be passed out called Oh Holy Night which is a family devotion and activity book.
  3. Decoration for Christmas can begin any time after December 20th. Linda and Deb will plan to start decorating on the 20th. The Advent wreath/candles will remain in place and the Christmas lights will not be lit.
  4. New Music Issue books can be switched out after the mass on November 26th
  5. December 8th Holy Day Immaculate Conception masses are on Thursday, December 7th at 7pm at Sacred Heart, Friday December 8th at 8:30am at Sacred Heart, and 7pm Visitation.
  6. Father requested input as to the possibility of changing mass times for the 4th Sunday of Advent which falls on December 23rd/24th. His proposal was to have two Saturday evening masses, 5:15 at Sacred Heart and 7pm at Stacyville and only one Sunday morning mass which would be 10:30 at Sacred Heart. No decision was made.

- Christmas season begins December 24<sup>th</sup> and ends January 8<sup>th</sup>.
  1. Masses on December 24<sup>th</sup> will be at 4pm at Visitation and 6pm at Sacred Heart. Masses on December 25<sup>th</sup> will be 8:30am at Visitation and 10:30am at Sacred Heart. There will be no masses on December 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>.
  2. Mass setting for Christmas season will be Mass of Christ the Savior at Sacred Heart.
  3. Annette received an invitation from Opportunity Village to have them fulfill our Christmas needs for poinsettias, trees, and wreaths. Linda has already contacted Happy Acres for Sacred Heart's poinsettias.
  4. January 1<sup>st</sup> is a Holy Day but not a Holy Day of obligation. It was decided that there will be no mass on January 1<sup>st</sup> as well as January 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>.
  5. Christmas decorations can be removed after the Sunday masses on the 7<sup>th</sup> of January
  
- Projection system: Annette contacted OCP who gave her a website to look at possibilities for projecting music on the screens at Sacred Heart in the new church
  
- Eucharistic Minister Training and Commissioning: Eucharistic Ministers are commissioned every three years. Father feels that this should be done on a rotating basis so not all are commissioned at the same time. Ideal dates for the commissioning are on the Feast of Christ the King and the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ. It was decided to mail the Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist forms to the participants so that they could fill them out ahead of time and bring them with them when they are commissioned. Those available on the weekend of November 25<sup>th</sup>/26<sup>th</sup> could be commissioned then and the others wait until the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ. Training of Eucharistic ministers would be done yearly for the new participants.
  
- Server training/Adult servers: Visitation has completed server training. Sacred Heart is scheduled for November 11<sup>th</sup> at 1pm at the Columbus Club. It was suggested that Altar serving be offered to adults also.
  
- Miscellaneous:
  1. Sacristan training was requested by some of the sacristans at Sacred Heart, especially with all the moves and being unfamiliar with where things are.
  2. All Souls pictures are displayed at each church and will remain until after the Feast of Christ the King on November 26<sup>th</sup>.
  3. First Reconciliation will be on November 12<sup>th</sup> at Visitation at 3pm
  4. Visitation will need to purchase 3-4 new pyx for Eucharistic Ministers to the homebound. The current ones are not large enough to hold 8 or more hosts. Father will check in to it.
  5. Proper reverence, conduct, and attire may need to be addressed for attendance/participation in mass
  6. Annette reported that she has received suggestion that a music director was needed. She asked what the committee might think would be the responsibilities of such a position. Discussion heard.

Next meeting date: February 8<sup>th</sup>, 1:30 at Visitation

Closing Prayer led by Linda Stefl

Meeting adjourned at 2:52pm

Respectfully submitted,  
Karen Thome, Secretary