

# Meeting Minutes

## St. Augustin Liturgy Committee

Meeting called to order on the following date: **September 12, 2013**

at the following time: **7:00 p.m.**

Meeting Location: **St. Augustin Parish Library**

### Attendees:

Fr. Chris Hartshorn, Deacon Kevin Heim, Deacon Joe Coan, Deacon Fred Pins, Jerry Minor, Ann Cernicky, Barb Cortesio, Kent Fieldsend, Janis Falk, Ed Mattern

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## Discussion Topics and Action Items

### 1. Musicians Update

Kent Fieldsend provided an update on the recruitment efforts to attract additional choir members, cantors and instrumentalists. A high school freshman has begun playing violin at the Saturday Vigil Mass, and is doing very well. Kent also advised that we will be switching to a new sung Mass, the Mass of Renewal, starting the first weekend of October.

### 2. Upcoming Special Liturgies

- a. All Saints Day – Friday, November 1. Mass times were established for 7:30 am, the School Mass, and 5:30pm.
- b. All Souls Day – Saturday, November 2. After some discussion of whether to hold the memorial Mass on Saturday or Sunday (since the regular Sunday liturgy would be celebrated on Saturday evening) the Mass date and time was established for 9am on Saturday.
  - Consider turning off the lights when the names are called along with the candles being lit.
  - Altar servers will be needed, and Art & Environment needs advised.
  - Altar and Rosary Society needs to be advised, so they can make plans for a lunch (or brunch) after that Mass.

### 3. Ushers & Greeters

Fr. Chris advised that a new Head Usher is needed. Our previous one resigned, and Joan Beckett (head of the Saturday evening Mass) recently passed away. We may need to re-think this ministry's involvement.

### 4. Chapel Use for Weekend Mass

Discussion was held on this topic, which continues to be a concern. Comments included that it promotes bad habits, poor understanding of the liturgical assembly's role and participation, and that people in the chapel are not really present with the body of the Church. Jerry Minor suggested Fr. Chris visit with chapel attendees personally.

**Action Item:** Ed to develop a flier giving reasons why the assembly should all be gathered in the nave. Information will be based on input from Fr. Chris and others, with review and input of the document by this Committee.

### 5. Altar Server Training

Greg Annexstad is now in charge of the training, but was unable to attend this meeting. Only 4 new servers attended the first training session that was just held. Religious education students' training was to be included as part of the RE class, per Janis Falk, although that came into question by other committee members as to whether that was Greg's intent. Janis to follow up with Greg on this.

**Action Item:** Written training plan is needed for Altar Servers, with review and input from the Liturgy Committee, to promote better serving at the altar by our young servers. It also needs to include proper practices for weddings and funerals.

**6. Bowing Guidelines for Lectors and Cantors**

A brief discussion was held on the differences in how and when people bow. Lectors are told to bow in the processional, so no need to bow when going to the ambo for the readings. Further education on this is needed.

**7. Next Meetings:**

**October 10 (2nd Thursday of month) at 7:00pm**

**Meeting Adjourned**