

**St. Genevieve Catholic Church**  
**Liturgy Committee Minutes**  
**Tuesday, January 20, 2015 —Parish Office Conference Room**

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Present: Father Greg Esty, Laura Baldwin, Jean Peters, Lorie Archembault, Patti Strom and Mary Lou Wilharber

**1. Opening prayer:** Laura

**2. Reports:**

- a. **Music** : Christmas went well. At the Parish Center the 4 pm Mass experienced problems with the sound system. It appeared that the system had been turned on before anyone arrived for Mass. There were mikes that were turned off and others redirected. This is concerning and it was suggested that perhaps we could get a "field camera" to capture the those who enter and leave the Parish Center.
- b. **Environment:** Jean reported that Christmas was good. The change over happened after each of the Masses. The exception was décor at the PCC was not complete because of the children's reenactment of the Gospel at the 4 pm Mass. Jean provided instructions on the remaining items and where plants were to be put by the children which worked out well. The cost of the flowers was \$802.00 and we received \$480 in the flower donation collection envelopes.

The Manger scene at St. John's had problems this year on lighting and the lack of visibility. A few different things have been discussed to correct the problem. Lorie will ask Dennis if he would be willing to help construct a new shelter. Maintenance Committee will be contacted to get their input. **Jean's comments: I will not be contacting the Maintenance group. If Dennis wants to create something then I will leave it up to him. Should he not want to move forward, and we do, then I think we can ask the Maintenance committees or the Men's group.**

**The other item, if we do go ahead and put up a surveillance type camera , do we want to inform people that we are? Just a thought.**

A larger tree (12' Christmas Tree) is suggested for the Parish Center for 2015.  
The chairs at the Parish Center (Altar platform) remove the smallest chair. Doesn't look right.

**3. Unfinished business:**

- a. Christmas Masses -
  - 4 pm at the PCC - 785 attended. This is when the sound system problems became apparent. At the Readings we experienced a medical emergency. Regardless of all the activities of the children's reenactment of the Gospel, the congregation was not aware of the emergency. The addition of three EM's in the Gathering Hall kept the reception of Eucharist moving and did not slow things down. Mass ended at 5:15 pm.
  - 4 pm at St. John's - 225 attended. Although there were shortages of Liturgical Ministers discussion resulted in the fact that the Liturgy Committee will work closely with Jean Alt on the scheduling. Discussion on how to eliminate this problem in the future provided some suggestions that we will work with Jean Alt to implement for special Masses. This Mass will remain on the schedule. Everything did work out in spite of any problems.
  - 6 pm at St. John's - 100+ attended. This was a very "quiet" Mass. Everything went according to schedule. It was determined that this Mass will be kept in the Christmas Mass schedule.
  - 10:30 am at the PCC - 300-400 attended. Although it was Christmas everything went well. Again if there is a shortage of Liturgical Ministers we will need to work on scheduling beforehand so that problems do not cause delays.

**8:30 am at St. John's - There was no specific discussion regarding this Mass.**

- b. Attendance at the Masses - see the notes above. Although there were many visitors and CEO's our position at St. Genevieve's Church is to make everyone feel welcome.
- c. The 6 pm Mass will remain on the Christmas Mass schedule.

**4. New Business:**

- a. Ash Wednesday - The Masses & distribution of Ashes will gain be at St. John's Church - 8 am Mass and the Parish Community Center - 7 pm Mass
- b. Lent - Use the corpus cross, provide a bulletin notice for disposal of old Palms, another bulletin notice regarding the collection of old religious articles no longer desired or serviceable. The CCW will host the Lenten Retreat "Why Do I Go To Mass" held February 17 from 8 am-1 pm. It will also be presented (lecture part only) on Sunday, February 22, 1-3 pm. Before Mass we will have a slide for the projector about Silent Prayer being a priority. Stations of the Cross will be every Friday beginning February 20 at St. John's at 6:30 pm. The Stations of the Cross schedule will be the same as last year, half the weeks will be at St. John's and the second half will be at St. Genevieve's Church.
- c. Liturgical Training Sessions - Mary Lou is making training available to those who are available on Faith Formation Wednesdays.

**5. Future Agenda items:**

- a. Communion distribution to the piano player - Reminder to the Sacristan for the Eucharist Ministers to distribute Communion first.

**6. Suggestions for improvement -**

- a. Training on Liturgy - terms, parts of the Mass, definitions.....
- b. Communication - Telephone, computer, bulletin, announcements.....
- c. Adult Education - Bible Study Groups, Retreats, Praise & Worship.....
- d. Website Additions - Memorial Page ( our Communion of Saints for 2015) under Funerals addition of Photo Galleries to cameo our Ministries.

**7. Next meeting:** Tuesday, February 17, 2015 6:30 parish office meeting room

**8. Volunteer for next meeting:** Mary Lou

**9. Closing prayer** by Fr. Greg

Respectfully submitted,  
Mary Lou Wilharber  
Recorder