

St. Ignatius Parish – San Francisco
Worship Committee
Minutes of May 4, 2005

ATTENDING

Nick Rocchio (acting chair), Kevin Boden, Maria Boden, Rose Casserly, Kerry Daly, Diane del Chiaro (secretary), Reed Minuth, Hilary Paskowitz, Michelle Ríos, Vickey Siu, Steve Wilkes, Don Crean (staff), Terry Jensen (staff)

ORDINARY BUSINESS

Kevin Boden led the opening prayer.

Minutes of the April 11, 2005 meeting were approved.

Next meetings

June 8, 2005

July meeting cancelled (to be confirmed in June)

August 10, 2005

Steve Wilkes will lead the opening prayer at the next meeting; Rose Casserly will bring snacks.

LITURGIES & SPECIAL EVENTS

Pentecost – May 15th

The Committee agreed to have a multi-lingual presentation of the first reading. The reading will start in one foreign language, whose reader will step back from the microphone but continue; followed by a second foreign language (start, step back and continue), then the reading will be done completely in English. Preference for an Asian and a European language in addition to English. Don Crean will contact potential readers; Kevin Boden will assist with training for these lectors.

The Amador Children's Choir will be participating in the 11:00 Mass.

Corpus Christi – May 29th

The Committee recommended we have processions at the end of the 9:30 and 11:00 Masses. This is in keeping with the Feast of Corpus Christi, as well as our celebration of the Year of the Eucharist. The processions will exit the church, proceed up Parker Ave, and conclude with dismissal at the statue of St. Francis. Don Crean will consult with the choir directors about appropriate music for the processions.

USF Graduation Events

May 19th – General graduation liturgy

May 20th – Graduation ceremony

May 22nd – Law School graduation liturgy at 11:00 Mass, followed by graduation ceremony

Jesuit Ordinations – June 11th (Saturday)

There will be a 10:00am celebration of Ordinations for the California Province of the Society of Jesus. Those being ordained have invited participation by the parish.

June 12th

There will be a blessing of the new flooring & sound system, and recognition of contributors to these projects. Kevin Boden and Nick Rocchio will assist Don Crean with contacting and inviting all those who participated (subcommittee members and design team).

July 31st – Feast of St. Ignatius.

Summer

We need to confirm time off for choirs, to arrange coverage. Don Crean will consult with Terry Jensen and Tim Murphy.

We need to provide coverage for liturgical coordination during the summer, when Don Crean is off schedule. We will add a “mass coordinator” position to the sign-up sheets. In addition, we should start scheduling people now for July- August masses.

Assistance to Director of Liturgy

Based on the success of the process during Holy Week, we recommended that additional assistance during special events and liturgies will be made available to Don Crean by members of this Committee. Members of this Committee are also “on-call” to help Don throughout the year.

GREETERS

Barbara St Marie has begun organizing this effort under the Welcoming Committee. Nick Rocchio will serve as liaison from the Worship Committee, and will report back on progress made at the next meeting.

RECONCILIATION

After discussion, the Worship Committee recommended that the parish plan to implement a schedule of monthly reconciliation services. A subcommittee was established to discuss and explore our options to enact this, including:

- How do we educate our priests and laity about the current understanding of the sacrament?
- What preparation is appropriate to engage our parish in this new opportunity?
- Scheduling, demographics, workshops, etc.

Hilary Paskowitz volunteered to chair the Reconciliation Subcommittee. Maria Boden, Michelle Ríos and Terry Jensen will participate from this Committee. We will also open the membership to interested parishioners.

BELLS

There was good and informative discussion regarding the possible renewal of altar bells being rung at the consecration. There is no liturgical rule prohibiting this. The theology of the proposal was explained, both pro and con, by Don Crean. The Committee made no recommendation on the proposal.

SOUND

The system is getting better. Minor adjustments are still being made.

We recommended that cantor training be scheduled, both for practice on the new sound system and to allow those interested in becoming cantors an opportunity for training. This needs to be coordinated among Don Crean, Kevin Boden, Terry Jensen and Tim Murphy.

The Worship Committee meeting adjourned at 8:20, after reciting the Lord’s Prayer.