Liturgy Committee Retreat: 9/25/10

Members Present: Deacon, Annie, Barbara, Ginny, Al, Mark and Tony

Members Not Present: Shari, Jeff and Joe

I. Upcoming Liturgies:

-Monday, October 11, Columbus Day Mass 7:30

-Liturgy Committee is not involved in this

-Monday, November 1, All Saints – (not a holy day of obligation)

-Not a Holy Day of Obligation this year since it falls on a Monday

-Saturday, November 6, Mass of Remembrance 10:00 a.m.

- -Very nicely done
- -Big attendance

-Saturday, November 13, Remembrance and Celebration of Veterans 5:30 p.m.

- -Deacon has given up on trying to get the Color Guard here for this Mass
- -Frank Vavala may or may not come. If he does, he'll speak at the pulpit for a few minutes
- -Annie to get flag and flowers and put in front of pulpit
- -Publicize this and put it in the Dialog and bulletin
- -A few instruments (flute, trumpet, etc.) will be there to enhance the Mass

-Thursday, November 25, Thanksgiving Celebration 9:30 a.m.

- -Very well attended
- -Boy Scouts will be there to place food on the altar and to carry the flags down
- -Shari Muzzi to coordinate with the grade school to ensure that some of the boys bring down the flags and place them on the altar before they leave for vacation

-Sunday, November 28, First Sunday of Advent

-Music changes

-Sunday, December 5, Sodality Communion Breakfast, 9a.m.

-Marian hymns will be sung for this Mass

-Sunday, December 12, Confirmation 2:00 p.m.

-Ushers and greeters are needed

-Saturday, December 25, The Nativity of the Lord

- -Big attendance
- -Lots of Masses!
- -Very busy time for all involved!

-Saturday, January 1, The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God

-Not a holy day of obligation this year since it falls on a Saturday

II. Additional Masses and Novena

- -There will be an Anointing Mass and a White Mass in November
- -Choir will be there for both Masses
- -Bishop to celebrate the White Mass
- -White Mass is in honor of all health care professionals
- -Anointing Mass is not well attended
- -Novena is not well attended. Maybe we can publicize in the bulletin and coincide with the cantors

III. Upcoming Changes

- -Changes to the Mass go into effect the 1st Sunday of Advent in 2011
- -What we say will be different, what we do will not change
- -Reason: The Church is trying to become more unified with all the English speaking Churches and become more universal as a whole
- -Liturgy Committee members recommended that the Priests and Deacon that they announce that the congregation "pick up your books" and follow the new script
- -Liturgy Committee will be getting direction from the Diocese
- -We, as a committee, will have to be trained and attend a meeting that the Diocese will have
- -Announce the changes in the bulletin and the Dialog so the parishioners are not completely taken aback
- -As soon as the committee members know of any changes, all the members of the committee will email their ministers and keep them abreast of the changes
- -Invite Fr. Carrier to come back and talk to all the ministers
- -Fr. Carrier will be booked NOW and we will have him come in before Easter so that it will have a Lenten theme

IV. Coordinator Updates

A. Eucharistic Ministers

- -Al is having trouble getting his ministers to commit
- -How do we get more ministers? We can't recruit people through the bulletin or pulpit
- -Why can they only serve once a month? That's not a ministry
- -Al is told that if they're there, they'll do it, but they don't want to be scheduled
- -It's a universal problem that all the ministries are having that their ministers do not want to commit

B. Ushers and Greeters

- -Since Tony is having the same trouble as Al, Tony is going to contact principals to see if they can help recruit some kids to serve as Ushers and Greeters. This could count as service hours
- -Lectors and greeters are dressing fine!

C. Music Ministry

-After Fr. John, Mark and Ginger meeting, Ginger came up with an idea to have an all-school rehearsal with the staff and kids. Everyone was given a script, beginning from entering the Church all the way to exiting the Church, and the kids did GREAT! They were very quiet and it was "ideal participation!" Fr. John encouraged everyone to participate and everyone listened! Steve will get new music for the Antonians. Something that is more modern

D. Visitors Sign-In

- -453 cards have been mailed out in the past 3 years
- -1412 people have signed the book
- -Barbara has been in charge of this since March of 2007
- -There are 130 cards left

- -Tony will make sure that the stand is by the door in the vestibule
- -We need to figure out how we can bring people into our Church
- -The purpose of all this was to entice people to join St. Anthony's

V. New Business

A. Marketing the Church

- -Dialog advertisements about St. Anthony's?
- -Go through ABC?
- -Propose to Parish Council about marketing the Church
- -Bring the website back to life!
- -How many hits does our website actually get?
- -Facebook page for St. Anthony's? Facebook will reach those Parishioners that do not or could not make it to Mass. Facebook would reach those that do not read the bulletin
- -Make a recommendation to Christian Formation for a Facebook page

B. Building and Maintenance

- -Building and maintenance was talked about again
- -The vestibule needs to be cleaned
- -The ceiling needs to be painted
- -There's a crack above the door
- -This is the second time it was discussed
- -Nothing has been resolved
- -The clock doesn't work
- -Pro-life brochures need a shelf

C. Clean Up

- -Announce in the bulletin
- -Done before Thanksgiving
- -Date TBD
- -Announce in the bulletin and let the priest say that people need to clean up after themselves and their kids
- -Annie to coordinate
- -Good turnout last year! Hopefully it will be the same this year!

*****Our next meeting will be November 2nd @ 7 p.m. See you all there!!****