

Church of St. Mary  
*Sacramental Life and Worship Committee Meeting-Minutes*  
Tuesday, September 9, 2008 5:30 P.M.

**Members Present:** Megan Gilles, Larry and Beth Wepplo, Kay Johnson, John and Georgia Robino, Claire Houchens, Larry Fujan, Doug and Loydene Bernhagen, Fr. Steve Verhelst, Jean Masters, Steve Weitzel and Scott Strutz.

**Excused:** Gary Hartman.

**Meal** was shared by SL&WC members

**Opening Prayer** was led by Larry Wepplo

**AUG Meeting Minutes** were approved with minor change by the group

OLD BUSINESS

Revised Altar Server Guidelines were distributed

We were reminded anyone wishing to attend the ordination of the fourth Bishop of New Ulm diocese needs to register with the office at St. Mary's

CONTINUING BUSINESS

Discussed the Parish Fall Festival. Volunteers were sought to arrive on Saturday the 27<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. to help with the many tasks for setting up the Mass and doing a run through. Members will help to break the bread after the run through and go through set-up needs for Sunday. Involved committee members were asked to arrive Sunday at 6:30 a.m. to set-up for the Mass and assist with check-in for the liturgical ministers. Committee members will also be responsible for take down after Mass. Steve Weitzel volunteered to be the Chairperson of the Saturday set up group and Doug Bernhagen is Chairperson of the early Sunday set-up and after Mass take down. We also discussed details of the set up which included spray paint lines to outline the aisles and where ministers will stand. Georgia Robino will secure a sample of the bread to be used for Communion. Some potted trees will be provided by Stacey's nursery. There will be someone to direct traffic but not to park cars.

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion was held on Continuing education subjects led by Loydene Bernhagen. It was pointed out that liturgy was made up of Word, Music and Worship and that the combination of Word and music represented a more powerful way to express the Word.

There will be the **Blessing of Animals** after each Mass on the weekend of Oct. 4&5 in the parking lot.

**All Souls Day** falls on Sunday this year so the normal November Evening Prayer activities will be incorporated into the Sunday Mass but limited to using only small tapered candles. Procession (bringing candles forward) will take place during the presentation of the gifts. Names of deceased will be read. Parishioners need to submit names to Parish office prior to that Sunday. Committee members will assist with tapered candles.

**Lector workshop** for Area Faith Community will be held on November 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

Requested any **general comments heard by committee members from parishioners**. Short discussion about Spanish songs. Fr. Steve felt there was enough concern by parishioners that he might look for other ways to unify cultures in our parish.

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*Next meeting will be Tuesday, October 14, 2008 at 5:30 PM in the Conference Room, light meal will be served at a cost of \$5.00 per person*

*The opening prayer will be led by Steve Weitzel. The Continuing Education will be led by Larry Fujan*

Respectfully submitted by:  
John Robino