

St. Richard St. Edwards Joint Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes – December 13, 2016

WE ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

- The informal meeting opened at 6:20 PM. Attendance was not taken

DISCUSSION TOPICS

- **WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE**
 - Shall 'we' keep existing mass schedule with available 'supply' priests or modify our respective mass schedules?—To be discussed at "Joint Town Hall Meeting" Feb. 12th.
 - How many parishioners attend each mass at St. Edwards and St. Richards?
 - A goal is to have Fr. Allen at both parishes each weekend to get to know Fr. Allen.

- **HOLY DAY MASS SCHEDULE**
 - Each parish will have one Mass opportunity for Holy Days. St. Edward will have an 8 am Mass, St. Richard will have a 5:30 pm Mass.
 - School at St. Edwards may dictate holy-day mass schedule when school is in session.
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- **HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE**
 - Will be discussed at the Joint Prayer & Worship Committee on January 18th.
 - Palm Sunday: Altar Society Bake Sale (St. Richard) may influence this year's celebration.
 - Holy Thursday: As in the past, the Holy Thursday "Mass of The Lord's Supper," will be a joint celebration with St. Edward at St. Richard with Veneration to follow in Vogel Hall until 10 pm.
 - Good Friday: A noon LITURGY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD (no Mass is celebrated on Good Friday) will be celebrated at St. Richard, followed by a "Procession of the Cross" around the S.C. Johnson Wax facility, from Grand Ave. & 16th St. west to Racine St, north to 14th street, then east to Grand Ave., returning to St, Richard. A "Stations of the Cross" service will be celebrated at St. Edward in the evening.
 - Holy Saturday: Blessing of Food will be in the morning at St. Richards.
 - Easter Vigil: A joint celebration will be held at St. Edward. A "Lock in" for the youth sponsored, by A.C.T.S. Ministry at St. Richard following the Vigil.
 - Easter Sunrise Service at Lake Michigan across from DeKoven Center.
 - EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD: Mass time(s) to be determined at the Joint Prayer & Worship Meeting on January 18

- **COLLABORATIVE COMMITTEE MEETINGS**
 - Prayer and Worship joint meeting.
 - Christian Formation.

- **JOINT PARISH "TOWN HALL MEETING"**

- Sunday, February 12, 2017 at St. Richard following the 11:30 Mass with light refreshments to follow. Bulletin announcements to commence on Jan. 8th. Parishioners from both parishes will be asked to take a brief survey about how the clustering has been thus far and ideas on how to "Cluster More Effectively In The Future."
- COMMUNICATION FOR ALL THREE PARISHES
 - A "Joint Parish Announcement" section/page/paragraph should be included in all three "cluster parish" bulletins regarding events that affect or are of interest to the all the Cluster Parishes. If an announcement pertains to only two of the parishes, then that should be reflected in the bulletins of only those affected parishes. Announcements should be sent to the parish secretaries after being approved by the Pastors.
- Discussion closed at 7 PM to listen to Rick Harter.

Recorded by Ken Welch & Mark Podratz