

St Augustine's Parish Pastoral Council

Liturgy Portfolio Report

The role of the Liturgy Committee involves: -

Preparation: The Liturgy Portfolio involves preparing for activities associated with the Weekend Mass and other celebrations, setting up before and after Mass each week. Assisting the Parish Priest.

Music: Coordinating the music for Mass each week and for feast days. The music coordinator selects the Hymns each Mass and coordinates the choir. There are several regulars in the choir, they practice every week. Extra musicians brought in for special events and feast days. (Annabelle O'Connell - Yass, Paul Trezise – Murrumbateman)

Disc music is organised when the choir is not available

Coordination: Coordinate the roster for all those who assist at Mass each week and for feast days. The normal roster covers 4 months each time. (Maree Garland is the roster coordinator)

Liturgy Roster covers: - Readers, Acolytes, Eucharistic Ministers -Mass and home visits, Offertory, Hospitality, Altar Servers, Power Pointing.

Also assist with the roster for Youth Group Masses during the year during school terms. Youth Group are involved in Masses only twice a term. (Annabelle)

Training and Communication: Coordinate any training and information sessions required for new participants of each ministry. Pass on any communication to the appropriate liturgical ministers.

Power Pointing: Setting up the power point for each weekend Mass, including hymns prayers, responses etc. (Annabelle O'Connell, Diane Carey)

Eucharistic Ministers: Coordinate the names of the sick and elderly requiring Holy Communion to be taken to their home or retirement villages on Sunday morning. (Kay Perceval & Maree Garland)

Communion service: –Assist with coordinating and leading the Communion Services when required.

Liturgical Season Celebrations: Assist with planning and coordinating the liturgy on for each liturgical season i.e. Advent, Christmas, Lent, Easter and Ordinary Time. and assist with First Holy Communion and Confirmation. Assist when the Bishop attends Mass.

Church Decorations in the church for each liturgical season. Set up the church in the appropriate colour of the season. Put up banners.

Response to Plenary council

How can greater participation of women in decision-making, leadership and ministry be fostered in the Church:-

There was a suggestion to involve more women in the Church, there is already a good balance of female representation in most of our liturgies except acolytes, is it possible to have female acolytes, we already have female altar servers. This would be a sign of recognising female equality.

Peter Cleary