

**Parish Council (2/23/09)**  
**Listening Session Sub-group reports**

**Lectors** (Stacey Rishel/Denise Boucher)

1. St. Martin lectors are strong is the general consensus.
2. Lectors continue to be added to ministry. Ensure ongoing training.
3. No action items were recommended.

**Children's Liturgy** (Beth Weger, Cheryl Anderson, Margo Combs)

1. Recommendation: Program can move to full-time (year around).
2. Recommendation: Increase parent involvement (more recruitment).
3. Recommendation: Partner with school to market Liturgy of Word to parents of school age children to encourage Mass attendance.

**Welcoming** (Diana Vallorz, Heidi Druist, Marsha Trevisan)

1. Recommendation: Include the work of the Welcoming Committee.
2. Recommendation: Have ministry representatives at the Welcoming Dinner for new parishioners.
3. Recommendation: Have Ushers greet people as they enter for Mass, also have priests at Mass recognize and welcome visitors and new parishioners.
4. Recommendation: Have the priest thank the congregation and ministers at the conclusion of Mass (on occasion so as not to make the thank you too routine).
5. Recommendation: Have school continue to encourage school Liturgy attendance.

**Information** (Pat Mitchell, Paul Trevisan, Judy Swazey)

1. Recommendation: Have information flyers in the Church entry area.
2. Recommendation: Continue Faith Formation instruction—like recent talk on the Liturgy by Fr. Chris.
3. Recommendation: Continue to build linkage between Church and School with Community Masses---market parish events in school News and Notes.
4. Recommendation: Continue to expand parish website and try to pull/drive people to site with quizzes, on-line tours of the Church to point out areas of interest and history.
5. Recommendation: Solicit parish group leaders for calendar updates in bulletin.
6. Recommendation: List parish group contact info once a month in parish bulletin and include on website.
7. Recommendation: Create a technology committee. This committee can recommend, drive and improve technology and parish groups use of technology. Continue implementation of Parishsoft. Begin to collect email addresses of parishioners and utilize email as another way to distribute the bulletin.
8. Release Parish Directory (it is acknowledged edits have been necessary before release)

**Music** (Jim Steele, Harry Soza)

1. Recommendation: Publish in bulletin the music style at each Mass so parishioners can sample different music groups.
2. Recommendation: Vary the music style played by the music groups (beats, plugged-in, unplugged).
3. Recommendation: Recruit parents of school age children involved in music to join the Mass music groups.
4. Recommendation: Find a way to have music groups reach out to the school. Invite Michael Wright (school choir/band leader/teacher) to attend the parish Music Leader meetings to form a liaison with the school music groups.