

Worship Commission

Minutes of Meeting Tuesday, May 26, 2015

Members Present: Debby Kellner (*Chair*), Margy Reagan, Lois Latzy, Alan Wilson, and Steve Szczap

Members Absent: Darlene Lewis, Roseanne Cannon, and Mary Green

Ex Officio Present: Jeremy Helmes (*Pastoral Associate*) and Katie Giblin (*Recording Sec.*)

Ex Officio Absent: Fr. Geoff Drew (*Pastor*)

Guests: Kathy Hinger, John Pucke, Jo Zink, Evangelization & Catechesis Commission

I. Opening Prayer/Praying for Each Other – Debby opened the meeting with prayer at 7:07 PM.

II. Formation Discussion

- A. The altar does not have to be fully covered with cloth.
- B. The altar must be noble and beautiful.
 - 1. Nothing states it must be made of stone.
- C. Liturgy of the Hours is devotion for everyone in the Church.
 - 1. Parishioners need more education on Liturgy of the Hours.
 - 2. WC will discuss how to make Liturgy of the Hours more a part of parishioner life at a future meeting.

III. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

- A. Katie will make corrections.
- B. Debby motioned to approve, and Steve seconded.

IV. Pastoral Associate Report

- A. Kevin Feltz will be the new Sacristan Coordinator.
- B. There were many new altar servers trained in addition to the current servers.

V. Continuing Business/Projects

- A. Items related to WC from May PC Meeting
 - 1. Fundraising event guidelines were reviewed and revised.
 - 2. There was a proposal made to hire a child care coordinator that was turned down, but may be considered for next year.
 - 3. St Max is still considering a potential entrance to the Church from Lesourdsville West Chester Road.
- B. Campus Plan Update
 - 1. The meeting was rescheduled for a later date, so there is no current update.
- C. Leadership Discernment: prep for meetings, other details?
 - 1. There were 166 nominations for entire parish and about 70 for WC.

2. The names will be drawn for all councils and commissions at noon Mass on 6/14.

D. Evaluation of Eastertide

1. Going forward, WC members will send Jeremy specific questions regarding anything that was unclear on the evaluation form.
2. Jeremy is considering ordering a large Easter candle for next year due to the height of the Church ceiling.
3. WC will look at reconfiguring the Holy water sprinkling rite in order to make sure every section gets water.
4. WC members will email detailed critiques to Jeremy.

E. Adding Mass Discussion

1. Thursday evening would be the only evening that would work for an added Mass due to the amount of already scheduled nightly activities in the church.
2. The biggest concerns are finding servers and sacristans for an extra Mass.
3. Jeremy will try to survey parishioners as well as email liturgical ministers to get more feedback.
4. A weekday Mass at 10, 11, or noon may conflict with the current funeral schedule.
5. WC recommends adding a weekday Mass or two for a 6 month period to get a decent sample size.

VI. New Business

A. Eucharistic Spirituality

1. Jeremy suggested the creation of a "Eucharistic-Centered" Task Force to WC members and the Evangelization and Catechesis guests.
 - a. The task force would have three objectives.
 - i. Adoration – Expanding to get more parishioners engaged.
 - ii. Celebration – Trying to get more parishioners to Mass.
 - iii. Living/Life – Applying Eucharistic principles to everyday life.
 - b. The task force would be made up of a few members from each council and commission.
 - c. The major goal would be to strike a balance between adoration and daily living.
2. How do we get more people to come to Adoration as well as understand the importance of the Consecration at Mass?
3. WC and E and C approved the creation of the task force.

B. Items introduced by members

1. There are no new items at this time.

V. Closing Prayer

- A. Debby led the closing prayer, and the meeting was adjourned at 9:25 pm.