

Approved Worship Minutes
St. Nicholas Parish Worship Committee
June 7, 2016

Members Present: Marny Clark, Dennis Henrickson, Mary Jochman, Father Walter Stumpf, Anne Thelen, Deacon Gary Vanness

Approval of May Minutes: approved.

Discussion:

Pastor's Comments: (1) Trustee Treasurer - JoAnn Bowers was re-elected for another 2 years; Pastoral Council - Heather Delforge, Jeff Smudde, Amanda VanHoof were newly elected; No new additions to the Worship Committee (at this time); (2) Father has attempted to contact Rolf Rohn regarding the moving the cross – no response yet; (3) Summer Missionary Coop Appeal, a priest from India is coming to preside and speak August 13/14; (4) Long Term Planning – add a Red, White and Blue mass. Red to honor schools – probably be held the first school mass in September; White to honor health care workers (mid-January?); and Blue to honor men & women in uniform (Police Officers, EMT's, Fire Fighters, etc) – scheduled for November 15th. (5) Father wanted to remind all about resources available to enhance Worship: the Ordo, Liturgy of the Hours, Divine Office website & tools, etc.

May Crowning: Took place on Thursday, May 5th with the school children and at all weekend masses May 7/8 – with the First Communion Children invited. For next year, the children and their parents should be informed of this opportunity at their First Communion Practice. This date needs to be set ahead of time and don't change it once it's set. Also, musicians should schedule an appropriate Marian hymn for the opening.

Ascension of Our Lord, celebrated May 7/8 (Mother's Day) Two options for second reading – use Ephesians. Overall – service went well, no issues.

Pentecost May 14/15. Use the Sunday readings on both days; use 1 Corinthians for the second reading; Sequence will be sung after the second reading for all masses. Noted this year, the various assigned musicians used different settings. Next year have them all the same, or just a choir/cantor reflection of the sequence would be acceptable.

The Most Holy Trinity May 21/22 – masses all went well.

Confirmation: May 22, 2016 @ 2:00pm. Bishop Morneau presided. Beautiful. Confirmation remains for junior, but there is talk about confirming as a senior due to new Diocesan requirements. If this would be the case, Confirmation would be consist of September classes and an October Confirmation.

Corpus Christi May 28/29 – went well. Will visit doing the (optional) sequence for next year. Father is OK with is being a choir or cantor only singing of the sequence.

Mass time changes – Effective July 1st, 2016, the 6:00pm Sunday service will be replaced by a 7:00am or a 7:15am mass. The survey's for the exact time are still arriving – due June 17th, 2016.

Upcoming Masses: Nothing special is planned for Father's Day, Fourth of July or Labor Day. There is no Holy Day of Obligation for The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (August 15th).

Terms of Service: Tom Murphy (who was unable to attend tonight) has completed his term of service. We thank him for all his hard work and suggestions over the years he was part of this Committee. Mary Jochman will take over as Chairperson of the Worship Committee. Anne Thelen will continue to prepare an agenda and record the minutes.

Countryfest Masses: All will be in the church. No polka band was available this year (Polka Fest in Pulaski is the same weekend). There will also be less noise from the setting up of the various activities outside distracting from the mass.

Meeting adjourned at 7:35pm. Next Meeting: Tuesday August 2, 2016 at 6:30pm

Respectfully submitted by Anne Thelen