

Approved Worship Minutes
St. Nicholas Parish Worship Committee
February 9, 2016

Members Present: Dennis Henrickson, Mary Jochman, Tom Murphy, Fr. Walter Stumpf, Anne Thelen, Deacon Gary Vanness

Approval of January Minutes: approved.

Discussion:

Pastor's Comments: (1) Living Justice Committee would like to incorporate a "rosebud" program/blessing bouquet. Specific colored silk flowers (rosebuds) are placed in a vase for prayers (a child, infertility issues, adoption, loss of a child, etc.) - part of the Elizabeth Ministry program. Need to find a place to put the vase – by the Mary statue? (YES) In October, Respect Life Month, the vase would be brought up to the altar with the gifts. (2) Board of Education has asked for the School Children and the Religious Education students have access to Confessions. Father is thinking of asking Msgr. Jim VandenHogan to assist as he doesn't have the time to get to all the classes. Need to budget for this. (3) Follow up on moving the Sanctuary cross. After a conversation with Bishop Ricken, we will seek professional advice about its placement (4) Educational opportunity – Roman Missal – the first 80 pages has lots of information AND the Ordo – Worship committee should learn to use it. Maybe some mini-classes as part of our meeting? Tabled for this month.

Catholic School Mass. Went well. Need to be sure the mass sheets created by the school is in the sacristy next year.

Ash Wednesday. February 10th 11:00am mass; 4:00pm & 7:00pm Liturgy of the Word with Ashes. Tom Murphy has the ashes – given to Father tonight (THANKS TOM!). If ash seems low, there are ashes from last year which have been stored.

Bishop Ricken. Celebrating mass with the school children on Thursday 2/11. All were invited to attend this 8:15am mass.

Dr. Carol Masuga – Prayer Seminar scheduled it for Saturday April 30th 9:00am – 3:00pm. More details to follow.

Standard music selections for Funerals and Weddings. A standard list has been created for funerals. Anne is to add additional appropriate songs, add psalms, and send to Lynn when completed.

RCIA – Rite of Sending. February 14, 2016 @ 10:30am. A week earlier than usual, due to a work conflict. Nothing special is needed at mass.

Lenten "theme" song. #172 From Ashes to the Living Font. Has a verse for each Lenten Sunday.

Lenten décor. Large vase of ashes by ambo

Easter décor. Being worked on. Flowers (lilies) have been ordered.

Stations of the Cross. Friday's at 2:15pm and Sunday's at 1:00pm, including Palm Sunday.

Lenten Reconciliation Service. Scheduled for Tuesday, March 8th after 5:45pm mass. Additional priests have been contacted. Watch for gaps – where there is an open priest and lines for others – keep the people moving.

Palm Sunday procession. The procession will occur only at the 10:30mass, Entrance Gospel upstairs at the other two masses. Palms available for all. NEED TO SET UP CHAIRS.

Palm Sunday and Good Friday – Need one additional lector as narrator. Prefer to have a third reader, but could use the 1st or 2nd reader if unable to secure a third person. Jesus Remember Me ostinato will be used again – music is to be playing softly prior to when the song is sung. This is to remind/inform all of when to sing.

Easter Vigil Fire. Paul Jochman to set up like last year. Dave Everson to video stream into church in a better position than what he had last year – so there is a better view of the fire. If weather does not permit an outdoor ceremony, a small fire will be used indoors by the font.

Easter Vigil Readings. We will need eight lectors. There are 7 Old Testament readings and an Epistle that need to be completed. Psalms are needed for the first seven readings. Dennis will sing the Exsultat.

Service terms. Dennis Henrickson (about 3 years), Katie Jadin (2 years), Mary Jochman (about 4 years), Tom Murphy (about 12 years), Fr. Walter Stumpf (about 1 ½ years), Anne Thelen (about 3 years), Deacon Gary Vanness (about 5 years).

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Need to re-communicate to them about reverently standing while the Ciborium is carried to the Tabernacle (specifically the cup holders). Stand by the table with the crosses.

First Communion Masses: Over two weekends: April 9th at 4:00pm; April 10th at 10:30am; April 16th at 4:00pm and April 17th at 10:30am.

Confirmation: May 22 at 2:00pm. Bishop Morneau is celebrating.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45pm. Next Meeting: Tuesday, March 1, 2016 at 6:30pm

Respectfully submitted by Anne Thelen.