

**Approved Minutes
St. Nicholas Parish Worship Committee
September 5, 2017**

Members Present: Marny Clark, Mary Jochman, Fr. Walter Stumpf, Anne Thelen, Deacon Gary Vanness

Approval of August Minutes: approved and seconded

Pastor's Comments: (1) Stewardship mailing sent in August to all registered members is slow being returned and is due mid-September. (2) Still no Youth Minister and Adult Faith Formation Coordinator. Kathy Brennan and Travis Gerrits completed courses this summer. (3) EMHC's were sent a letter early summer of which less than ½ responded. The two secretaries will be asked to make phone calls to see if the non-responder wants to continue & would like another form sent. (4) Jayne Vosters has volunteered to give a history presentation in honor of the 500th Anniversary of the Protestant Reformation; (5) Joint Finance and Pastoral Council Meeting is November 16th

Rolf Rohn update: Father obtained quotes for a new Corpus from DeMetz and Stemper; Mr. Rohn had recommended we get a 78" Corpus, but they are available only in 72" or 84". Father believes we have a donor(s) for a new Corpus. A Cross will be made to fit the Corpus once it has arrived. A fiberglass Corpus is preferred due to the weight. Committee reviewed the images with quotes.

Blue Mass: Scheduled for Tuesday November 14th at the 5:45pm mass. Kathy Brockman is working on invitations to all uniformed individuals for this mass. Anne will solicit for musicians.

St. Nicholas Pastoral/Finance Councils have a Strategic Plan: tabled until they contact us with our goal for the year

Question to pastoral council regarding the use of confirmation gowns: Due to an issue with inappropriate dress, it was decided by the Worship committee to have ALL Confirmands wear a white gown for Confirmation. This will now be referred to the Board of Education – for possible implementation this Spring. Rental of gowns makes the most sense, but that will be up to the Board of Education.

Status of enrichment letters sent to Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Addressed above. Main concern is the lack of responses from this June mailing.

2018 Parish Calendars: Father believes they have been ordered. Anne will follow up with parish secretary/business administrator with same.

Annual Meeting: A representative from Worship Committee is needed. Members are to review the past year for accomplishments to discuss at this meeting. Tabled until next meeting.

All Saints Day mass: One mass at 11am on the 1st. School children will provide music. Anne will work on getting a musician for the Vigil mass at 5:45pm on October 31st.

All Souls Day remembrance service: Will be held at 6:30 with candle procession to cemetery. We discussed holding the service earlier in the evening due to rough pavement and unstable parishioners who might be attending. It was decided to keep the service at 6:30pm so that more parishioners could attend after working hours.

Anointing of the Sick Mass: Scheduled for 5:45pm mass Tuesday, November 7, 2017. This is a corrected date from agenda and discussion. A soup and sandwich supper will follow in the Parish Hall.

New Business: (1) Joint Finance and Pastoral Council Meeting on 11/16/2017 – we are to present any wish list items we might want/need for this upcoming (and beyond) year – for instance the Arch/Cross to mount the new Corpus. (2) There is a bunch of sound equipment (spares?) in the Server Sacristy. Anne

will go through equipment in the near future. (3) We have an extra Christmas tree in the garage. Worship committee members recommended we keep it for now. (4) New members – this committee could use some new members. Current members are requested to scout the congregation.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, October 3, 2017 at 6:30pm
Respectfully submitted by Anne Thelen