

Prayer & Worship Committee Minutes
September 28, 2015

Attendance: Fr. Ralph Gross, Fr. Chuck Wrobel, Mark Gould, Sandy Dorff, Cheryl Snyder, Debbie Hendrick, Carmela Matysiak, Kathy Plaisance, Anna Marie Filipiak, Sue Siepmann, Mary Pfaff – Pastoral Council Liaison, Rita Borowski – Parish Consultant

Guests: Leann Gronowksi, Deb Jablonski

Mission Statement & Opening Prayer
Minutes of August 24 approved

Old Business

Art & Environment Subcommittee

- Leann & Deb are interested in the newly forming Art & Environment subcommittee. Five others are also interested. Sue will forward all contact information to Rebecca Ramage who has agreed to coordinate the subcommittee. Leann & Deb will share with the subcommittee the information from this Prayer & Worship meeting.
- Extensive notes from Marilyn were shared and a resource book, *To Crown the Year*, was sent home to Rebecca.
- An allowance of \$1000 under “flowers” was included in the current budget.

Liturgical Lay Ministry Updates

- Lectors
 - Two new lectors and about 12 current lectors attended the training/enrichment sessions held this past weekend.
- Servers
 - Joe Senglaub is planning a training session/social with the existing servers.
- Ushers
 - Tim Meyer is planning AED training in October. We have youth ushers at some weekend Masses.
- Eucharistic Ministers
 - Last training was in November 2014. Should do one annually along with a sign up. Sue to check in with Joe K. & Fr. Chuck to schedule another.

Green Team

- Some intentions in the Prayers of the Faithful have had Green Team themes. Kathy has spoken to Mary Kral about Green Team groups to form at St. Paul/St. Bruno – maybe a Take 5.

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Budget

- We are two months into the current fiscal year. Cheryl is working with Pam to get an updated budget. Music is currently under budget.
- **Keyboard** (Mark)
 - New keyboard was purchased for \$5200. \$3500 donated specifically for the keyboard; remainder came out of the parish budget.
 - Dedication of the new keyboard - perhaps at the end of November for the feast of St. Cecilia. By then, the keyboard should be inside of the cabinet. It currently needs a bit of tweaking for a better signal.

New Business

Advent

- Theme - debated the pros and cons of having a specific theme. With three priests & three deacons it is more difficult to have homilies follow a given theme.
- "*Come to...*" - possible theme.
- Mark will contact Pam to order blue books & sacramental aids.

Christmas

- Christmas Eve Masses will be:
 - St. Paul - 4pm, 6pm and 10pm
 - St. Bruno - 4pm and 10:30pm
- Christmas Day Masses - have had low attendance in the past and we have not been able to get enough lay ministers. Possibility of one Mass on Christmas Day discussed. Would not want it at the same time as Mass at St. Paul, which went to a single 9am Mass on Christmas Day a few years ago.

Mass Education & Evangelization

- The group that met to discuss the St. Bruno/St. Paul Joint Strategic Plan for the Synod requirement for Mass Education and Evangelization created a list of priorities that was presented to the parish priests. The priests asked for clarification on some items. The group has a second meeting Oct. 6 to clarify the priorities in question and determine the steps to be taken with the approved items.

Prayer & Worship Committee Meeting at St. Paul

- The October meeting will be held at St. Paul. The St. Paul P&W committee will meet at the same time that we meet and the priests will divide their time between the two meetings. They will begin with St. Paul & then join St. Bruno. Rita will talk to Marcy at St. Paul regarding meeting & priest time scheduling to best suit both parishes.
- Note - Our P&W meetings should really be kept to 1 ½ hours duration

Other New Business

- Common meeting night - Pastoral Council is deciding whether to have or not

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Reports & Comments:

Fr. Ralph Gross, Pastor – none

Fr. Chuck Wrobel, Associate Pastor – none

Mark Gould, Director of Liturgy & Music - none

Mary Pfaff, Pastoral Council Liaison - none

Next Meeting: Oct. 26, 2015 at 7pm @ St. Paul Parish

- Meet in the gathering area of the church.
- Finalize Advent

November meeting – focus on Christmas

December meeting will be cancelled since right after Christmas.

Demonstration of new keyboard by Mark. Mark also shared music from the Mass of St. Ann by Ed Bolduc which will be introduced to the parish in October.

Closing Prayer – Synod Prayer

Prepared by Sue Siepmann