



**PRAYER & WORSHIP COMMISSION MEETING
MINUTES**

MONDAY, JANUARY 16, 2023 @ 6:30 p.m.

ATTENDEES: Mike Gorichanaz, Roy Spieckerman, Tom Pinzl, Katie Mancuso, Nikki Packee, Joe Hauer, Katie Borgen, and Nancy Mueller were present. Connie Helm was excused.

PREVIOUS MINUTES: All present agreed that the November minutes be accepted as submitted. Minutes were accepted.

Parish Council Report by Nikki Packee: Christmas Mass – drums were appreciated, but perhaps not for every song. Eucharistic Revival – a link could be used to get parishioners better informed. Joe suggested adding something to the worship aid as well; he will discuss with Fr. Tim. Mass of Remembrance – Nikki suggested printing a flyer with photos of those being remembered; Nikki will get her sample flyer to Nancy for planning purposes for next year.

OLD BUSINESS:

Thanksgiving (November 24 at 9 AM): 150 people attended this Mass, and many donations were received.

Little Blue Books: Roy had ordered 350 this year, and he will do the same again next year.

Advent: Joe would like to get the choir started earlier next year. There was a discussion about possibly getting a smaller wreath for next year that would fit closer to the front of the Altar; this topic will be revisited in the future.

Usher update: Sixteen new ushers have been added, but Tom would still like 5 more. He will post a sign this weekend that says, “are you one of the chosen,” to help recruit more ushers.

Penance service: Fr. Tim wanted to have 4 priests, but only 3 were available for this service. 50 people attended.

Christmas: Katie Borgen reported that decorating for Christmas and the Giving Tree went well.

New Year’s: Regular Mass schedule was followed; total attendance was a little lower than normal.

St. Michael Prayer: Joe has included the prayer in the weekly worship aid. Some have asked about doing a prayer to St. Gabriel instead; Roy will research St. Gabriel prayer cards.

NEW BUSINESS:

Catholic Schools’ Week: During all 3 Masses, school families will be participating as lectors, servers, etc. There will be a pancake breakfast with eggs and sausage. Three mailers went out and banners have been posted around the church.

FINAL

Lent: We will continue entering in silence every Sunday during Lent; Joe will see if Fr. Tim wants prelude music. Roy has a list of names for people who distribute ashes on Ash Wednesday. For Stations of the Cross, there should be daytime and evening options; Thursdays were chosen as the best option, starting Feb 23-March 30. Mike will work on a schedule. Nikki will include an announcement in the bulletin.

Other business:

- Katie Borgen will be not be available over Easter, but she will have people lined up who can receive the flower delivery and change the decorations.

-Nancy went to a Christmas concert at Crown of Life; everyone received a card with a candy cane and a prayer, and Nancy suggested doing the same at our Parish next year.

Roy led us in a Hail Mary as the closing prayer.

Mike motioned to adjourn and all present were in favor of adjourning the meeting.

ADJOURNED at 7:30 p.m.

Next meeting – February 20, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Katie Mancuso, Secretary

Copies to: Roy Spieckerman, Katie Borgen, Anna Niemuth, Molly Soba, Tom Pinzl, Nancy Mueller, Katie Mancuso, Joe Hauer, Joanie Weyer, Nikki Packee, Jill Sheehan, Connie Helm, Mike Gorichanaz, and Fr. Tim Bickel