



**PRAYER & WORSHIP COMMISSION MEETING
MINUTES**

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2023 @ 6:30 p.m.

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

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

There was a brief discussion on this year's leadership. Mike offered to continue as the Chair, and Katie M. offered to continue as the Secretary. Anyone interested in taking on a leadership role should attend the October meeting, where voting will take place.

Parish Council Report by Beth Kangas: There is a need for volunteers for Donut Sunday; openings are available on iVolunteer. The Human Concerns and Stewardship commissions are low in membership; Nikki will promote them on social media. Human Concerns has provided hearing aids for parishioners during Mass. Efforts for the Eucharistic Revival continue, including Adoration and Deacon David Scheuer's upcoming presentation on November 5th. Gerry Wolf led a discussion on the Made for Mission book at the All Commissions meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

Stations of the Cross outside of Lent: This item was moved to the October agenda.

Chaplet of Divine Mercy: This item was moved to the October agenda.

Loss of a Child Service: This item was moved to the October agenda.

NEW BUSINESS:

Healing Mass (10/7/23, 4:30 PM Mass only): Previously, Fr. Tim would provide the Blessing to those interested at all three weekend Masses, adding approximately 30-40 minutes to each Mass. However, this year, the Blessing will only occur during the 4:30 PM Mass.

Jacob's Ladder (One month before All Souls': Mike is planning to set up the ladder next Tuesday. An advertisement should go into the bulletin soon; Mike and Roy will write the bulletin notice together.

Mass of Remembrance (11/5/23, 8 AM Mass): Roy will start reaching out to families, inviting them to the Mass. Each family receives a candle in memory of the deceased, as well as an engraved angel ornament and copies of both prayers said during the Mass.

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Veteran's Day: Last year, the school children made letters for veterans that were hung in the gathering space.

Advent Blue Books: Roy will order 350 blue books.

Penance Service in Advent: Penance will take place on 12/13/23 at 7 PM.

Christmas Eve (12/24/23, 4:30 & 10 PM): Because Christmas Eve falls on a Sunday, the 8 and 10:30 AM Masses that day celebrate the 5th Sunday of Advent. We can go to Church twice this day! :)

Christmas Day: Masses will be 8 and 10:30 AM, as usual.

New Years Day (1/1/24, 9 AM): This will not be a Mass of obligation because it falls on a Monday.

Other business:

Beth shared a parishioner comment that when a deceased person's name is read during the intentions, that their relationship to a parishioner(s) also be mentioned. Katie suggested that perhaps Jill Sheehan could gather this information at the time that Masses are ordered. Roy suggested that Beth follow up with Jill, and if she thinks it is feasible, they should also get Fr. Tim's approval.

Bonnie Schoofs asked if we could help with May crowning; this will be added to a future agenda.

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

ADJOURNED at 7:30 p.m.

Next meeting – October 23, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom.

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, Beth Kangas, and Fr. Tim Bickel