



**PRAYER & WORSHIP COMMISSION MEETING
MINUTES**

Monday, January 22, 2024 @ 6:30 p.m.

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

OPENING PRAYER: Nancy led the opening prayer.

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

Parish Council Report by Beth Kangas: About 2,000 attended Christmas Masses. Celia's position has been split in two; applications are being reviewed. Dave Retseck presented on Eucharistic Revival progress. Sale of old property continues.

Usher Report by Tom Pinzl: No report

Environment report: Katie Borgen emailed her comments to be included here: poinsettias will be placed in the gathering space for parishioners to take home this week; Katie B. will have Fr. Tim make an announcement. Fr. Tim liked the smaller Advent wreath near the front of the altar. Everyone present agreed that the smaller Advent wreath was better and should be used moving forward. Katie B. is also preparing for Ash Wednesday and Lent and will make the necessary changes.

OLD BUSINESS:

Stations of the Cross outside of Lent: To be discussed at a future meeting

Chaplet of Divine Mercy: Nancy is planning for the Sunday after Easter and sometime in October. Beth suggested speaking with Jerry or Dave for advice about using the microphone.

Healing Mass: Mike will follow-up with Fr. Tim.

Jacob's Ladder (One month before All Souls'): To be discussed at a future meeting

Penance Service in Advent (12/13/23, 7 AM): About 57 people attended; it went well. Penance was the same for everyone: "be a good Christian."

Christmas Eve & Day: About 1,000 attended 4:30 Mass; Mike will double-check capacity limits with the fire department. Pews should be reserved for Readers and Eucharistic Ministers in the future. Adult and Childrens' choirs received many compliments. A new guitarist has been added.

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New Years Day (1/1/24, 9 AM): It was well-attended.

NEW BUSINESS:

Holy Week: First planning meeting was held January 10th. Mary Rose Wolf will be developing a script for the entire week.

Easter candle: Nancy volunteered to work with Roy on choosing the new candle. Joe will email Connie about including “choosing of the Easter candle” as an auction item for next year.

Loss of a Child Prayer Service: It has been scheduled for a date in October.

Mike led us in the St. Gertrude prayer as the closing prayer.

ADJOURNED at 7:00 p.m.

Next meeting – February 26, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom.

Respectfully submitted,
Katie Mancuso, Secretary

Copies to: Roy Spieckerman, Katie Borgen, Tom Pinzl, Nancy Mueller, Katie Mancuso, Joe Hauer, Angie Kjorlien, Nikki Packee, Jill Sheehan, Connie Helm, Mike Gorichanaz, Beth Kangas, and Fr. Tim Bickel