

APRIL 2019 WORSHIP COMMISSION MINUTES

INTRODUCTORY BUSINESS

- **Those present** included Debi Anderson, Mary Gomoll, Pat Gureski, Marilyn Holland, Marian Irmen, Michelle Piatek, Father David Ruby, Katrina Welborn.
- **Check-in / Prayer** led by Katrina
- **February minutes** - Marian moved to approve, Marilyn seconded. Minutes approved.

LITURGICAL MINISTRY UPDATES

- **Ministry Scheduling & Training Updates** – Michelle recently sent out the latest ministry schedule reminders. She is working with Katrina who will be taking over the MSP scheduling later this summer.
- **Recruiting Triduum Ministers** – Michelle sent out a reminder encouraging to ministers to sign up for Triduum services. She also sent out a separate email regarding volunteering for the foot washing on Holy Thursday. As of April 11th, all Triduum positions were filled! Great job recruiting, Michelle!
- **Wedding Ministry** – Pat shared that there are no weddings until June 22nd. She will contact people if she needs help because two weddings are scheduled on a single day.
- **Pastoral Council Liaison Update** – none at this time

GENERAL OLD BUSINESS

- **Lent 2019 Evaluation** (thus far)
 - **Lenten Reflection Books and Rice Bowls** – Out of the 300 *Little Black Books* and *Not By Bread Alone* reflection booklets that were ordered, there were only 14 left. Many positive comments have been received regarding these reflection books. Rice Bowl use appears to be down because there are lots of these that weren't picked up. But it's hard to tell until we get to Holy Thursday.
 - **Bulletin insert** was well done and there were plenty of inserts available for those who weren't in town the weekend they were in the bulletin.
 - **Lenten banner** – Ryan Miller's work is always appreciated.
 - **Ash Wednesday** – We probably don't need 4-5 Masses next year.
 - **Music for Lent** – Katrina stated that people did well using the "Tree of Life" song at all the Masses, were singing the Kyrie and remembered the Mass of Light. Each of the Lent weekend Masses ended in silence.

- **Stations of the Cross** - Katrina took over the Stations at SB each Friday and reported that they regularly have about 20 people joining in the Stations and staying for soup afterwards.
- **Special prayer times** – Some people stayed after the Ash Wednesday Masses to pray with the pastor for up to 30 minutes.
- **Parish Lenten Reconciliation service** had 26 in attendance on March 28th at SB. It was a lovely service and went very well.

GENERAL NEW BUSINESS

- **Parish Mission/Retreat** – Father Dave invited Dr. Gordon Smith, president of Ambrose University in Calgary, to present several talks to our parish on May 31st and June 1st regarding “Teach Us to Pray: Discernment and Conversion in a Secular Age”. This would be a good step forward in enhancing discipleship within Stella Maris Parish. At the time of our Worship Commission meeting, he had not yet heard back from the Diocese as to whether we could hire this speaker, who is Christian but not Catholic. The Diocese has since agreed, but we cannot use diocesan publications or invite other parishes. We will be inviting other Door County churches to join us at Sister Bay. There will be one talk on Friday evening, followed by fellowship and refreshments and two talks on Saturday morning with lunch included. Since the Worship Commission is helping to sponsor this, we’ll be asked to help host it. Alpha members will also be contacted to help with the socials.
 - **Taize Service and Luncheon** – The Taize service is set for Thur., April 4th, 12 noon at Sister Bay with a luncheon to follow. Connie and Mary will bring crock pots with hot Italian beef and turkey; Marilyn and Kathy Sedan will bake bars Marian will bring sandwich buns, chips, and lemonade; Katrina will bring a salad.
 - **Palm Sunday of the Lord’s Passion** – April 13/14; Palms have been ordered and will be distributed. Tables will set up in the basement at BH and the social hall at SB. A mic is set up at SB. There will be a procession into church after the Palm Sunday gospel is read and the palms are blessed.
 - **Triduum – All Triduum services will be held at Fish Creek.**
As members of the Worship Commission, we should all be visible during these three holy days as much as possible. Try to volunteer to be part of at least one ministry during this time!
1. **TRIDUUM REHEARSAL** - Wed., April 17 at FC: Light supper at 5 PM, Holy Thursday practice – 5:30-6:30 PM, Good Friday practice – 6:30-7, Easter Vigil practice – 7-8 PM. Sacristans, servers, and hospitality ministers are expected to attend. For the light supper, Marilyn and Mary will bring something hot for sandwiches; Michelle will bring cupcakes and cookies; there will be sandwich buns, chips, pickles, and drinks provided for the ministers who are practicing.

Katrina will have copies of the Order of Worship for each night, as well as the jobs list for each minister.

2. **HOLY THURSDAY** – Thur., April 18, 7 PM; Wall will be open for this service; Chairs set up for foot washing; Altar set up in north wing with chairs for adoration and private prayer.
 3. **GOOD FRIDAY** – Friday, April 19, 3 PM; Church will be open from 12 noon – 3 PM for private prayer and will be open for an hour after the Good Friday service as well. Katrina will lead **Stations of the Cross** at 7 PM at FC
 4. **EASTER BANNERS** – Jim Charles will take down the Lenten banners and hang up the Easter banners at our open churches on Saturday morning.
 5. **EASTER VIGIL** – Sat., April 20, 8:15 PM; Garey Bies will prepare and light the sacred fire.
- **EASTER SUNDAY** – Mary will check with Kriss Schorer (BH) and Virginia Phelan (SB) regarding Easter flowers. The ushers will hand out Easter holy cards.
- Easter Mass Times - April 21
8:00 AM at EH
9:00 AM at BH
10:00 AM at SB
11:30 AM at BH
- **DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY** – April 28 – The Divine Mercy pamphlets will be available on Good Friday. Mary will check with Annette Heck to see if she will be leading the prayers at Egg Harbor during the week.
- **First Holy Communion** - Sun., May 5th at 10 AM in SB
- **Summer Mass Schedule begins Memorial Day Weekend, May 25/26**
Saturdays – 4 PM at FC, 5 PM at SB, and 6 PM at EH;
Sundays - 7 AM - EH, 8 AM - BH, 9 AM - FC, 10 AM - SB, 11 AM – JP,
1 PM – WI
- **Info for incoming pastor** – Mary shared the rough draft she had prepared, people comments and edited it. She will give it to Sharon Brabson for the binder she is preparing for Father Tom Farrell, our incoming pastor.

CLOSING PRAYER

NEXT WORSHIP COMMISSION MEETING
Wednesday, June 5 at 1:00 PM at Egg Harbor