

Worship & Spirituality Commission
Thursday, March 3, 2016

Prayer-Donna Jondle

Attendance-Janet Steenlage, Amanda Ray, Donna Jondle, Norma Ward, Mike Kelley, Mary Kelley, Paul Bobay, Fran Zuber

Approval of February Minutes-approved as presented

Past Events:

Ash Wednesday- (6 PM Mass only)

Definitely needed wine and bread for Narthex

An usher was needed for Narthex

There was the need to have EM distribute ashes in the Narthex

It would have been helpful to have had the chairs set up in the Narthex ahead of time

Confirmation (February 13)

Everything went very well for that event

Upcoming Events

There was some discussion from a suggestion to have a Mass scheduled in the evening one night/week during Lent next year. The Commission had a positive response to this suggestion, and possibly have a soup supper/sandwiches to go along with this event. The thought was to perhaps have it scheduled on a Wednesday to precede Religious Education classes.

March 19/20: Palm Sunday

4 EM should distribute palms outside of the church doors. Have palms for side doors for those who do not process

Weather permitting, gather at the front of the church and process into the church after reading of the Gospel. Father will stand by the front doors. If raining, will meet and process in from the Narthex with congregation following (with Father by the Baptismal Font).

March 21: Reconciliation (scheduled for 7PM) Father Ed will preside.

Mary Kelley will get (from Father) the number of priests coming and she will organize a supper for the priests prior to Reconciliation.

Triduum:

Ministers have been signing up online for Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter Vigil. There is still a need for individuals to sign up for the Adoration. May need to have a signup sheet in the Narthex for this.

Holy Thursday:

Need Carriers of the Oils, and Janet is going to contact Carla for possible suggestions. Norma is meeting with Parish Council Members to finalize instructions for the Washing of the Feet. After the liturgy, procession to the Altar of Repose will exit the North door to the circle drive (weather permitting) and through the front doors to the Altar of Repose.

Alternate rain proposal will proceed internally. After the Adoration, the Blessed Sacrament is to be placed in the Sacristy and locked.

Good Friday : Plans are in place

Easter Vigil: Norma is going to contact Tess to see if she would be able to assist. Luminaries will not be lit before the service
Norma will email ushers and EM to let them know they will be key lighters for the individual candles.

Easter Sunday

Need to have ushers come before 8:00 AM to set up chairs.
Need to email the people assigned for Easter reminding them of their duties
There are 6 EM and 2 extra ushers scheduled for the Narthex and multipurpose room.

Art & Environment Group-Mary Kelley

Saturday, Marcy 19 @10 AM decorating for Palm Sunday

The procession for Palm Sunday Mass should be:

Cross

Banners (2 EM will carry them)

Lector

Acolytes

Father

Wednesday, March 23

5PM: Candles with holders to be assembled. Helpers are needed if you are available.

6:30PM: Decorating for Holy Thursday. Young people are invited to come and assist.

Thursday, March 24

Stripping the altar after Mass

Saturday, March 26 @9AM- decorating the church for Easter

Other Business

Discussion about the quarterly newsletter that had been published in the past, a communication tool. Perhaps something to think about for Lent of next year to add an insert in the bulletin from this Commission. Norma will bring this to the attention of the Parish Council in an upcoming meeting.

The small Lenten booklet is receiving praises from this group. Excellent for mediation during Lent.

The Lower Level:

A subcommittee has been formed to discuss this topic. April/May will be a good time for further discussion concerning the Lower Level.

Next meeting: Thursday, April 7th, 2016

Submitted by: Fran Zuber