

WORSHIP AND SPIRITUALITY COMMISSION
Thursday, November 3, 2016

PRAYER by Paul Bobay

ATTENDANCE Paul Bobay, Janet Steenlage, Judy Duncan, Fran Zuber, Pam Bourjaily, Amanda Ray, Kathy Donnelly

APPROVAL OF PAST MINUTES approved as corrected

PAST EVENTS

- November 1 - All Saints Day - attendance at evening Mass was poor (possibly due to World Series Game)

UPCOMING EVENTS

- November 12/13 - Dedication Mass
 - Eucharistic Ministers will process in with dedication candles, order of procession is Cross, Book of Gospels, Dedication Candles (2x2), Acolytes, Fr. Page.
 - Sacristans will be notified
 - Cake will be served after each Mass and has been ordered
 - Also is Baptism weekend
 - Veterans day is not on the weekend so will be observed with a commemoration table in the Narthex with the flag of the United States of America along with the Flag of the Pope
- November 26/27 - First weekend of Advent. Advent wreath to be blessed at 5:15 Mass with first candle lighting. Candles to be lit prior to each following Mass of Advent by the Sacristan.
- December 8, Thursday - Feast of the Immaculate Conception of Mary. Mass at 9:00am and 6:00 pm.
 - Eucharistic Minister sign up through Sign-up Genius.
 - Consider changing the time of Holy Day Mass evening Mass to 7:00 pm, Will discuss this further at the next meeting. Some considerations are other area Mass times, better attendance with later time, possible increased attendance.
- December 10/11 - Baptism weekend
- December 12, Monday - Advent Reconciliation Liturgy at 7:00 pm at STM
 - Dinner for Priests at 6:00 pm, Kathy Will host, Mike Kelley - Chili, Fran Zuber - Cornbread, Donna Jondle - relish tray, Janet Steenlage - dessert tray.
- December 18, Sunday - Cantata by the Music Ministry
- December 24/25 - Christmas Masses
 - Sign-up Genius will be used for Eucharistic Ministers and Ushers
 - Christmas Eve Mass at 4:00 pm and 8:00 pm
 - Eucharistic Ministers (16) and Ushers (16) for Christmas Eve with 2 Sacristans for each Mass.
 - No seating in the Narthex due to fire regulations.
 - Overflow seating in the lower level. Multipurpose room to be set up with seating but opened only if Nave and lower level are full.
 - Christmas Day Mass at 9:00 am
 - 4 Ministers 4 Ushers, 1 Sacristan for Christmas Day Mass, no overflow to lower level is planned.
- January 7/8, 2017 - Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord
 - Parish tradition to distribute prayer cards and chalk for "Epiphany House Blessing"
 - Need more than 400 as we ran out last year
- January - plan for two baptism Sundays this month. Dates to be determined.
- February 11/12 - Blessing of the Sick.

ART AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

- Flowers and outdoor decor has been ordered.
- Second collection for Christmas flowers on December 18. Box for donations will be in the Narthex on December 3/4.
- Times for decorating for Advent and Christmas have been set.

OTHER BUSINESS

- Acolyte training - Judy Duncan and Norma Ward have revised the guide for Acolytes. A new trainer for Acolytes is being sought.
- The Book of Remembrance is to be placed in front of the Ambo for the month of November
- Auditory enhancement was earlier referred to the Finance Committee. We have several parishioners who are hard of hearing and need this assistance. We ask the Finance Committee to act on this appeal.
- Lower level discussion.
 - Summation of use of the downstairs was presented by Amanda Ray.
 - Announcements regarding the lower level were reviewed for the announcements and for the bulletin.
 - Open house of the lower level will be after Masses on November 19 and 20
 - Audio/video has not yet been installed and needs to be coordinated with the upper level sound system.
 - All Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers, and Sacristans will be provided with new training before the lower level is used and also to update the Ministers on correct procedures. This will be offered before the lower level is used and those attending are encouraged to sign up for the Christmas Masses. Make-up sessions may be scheduled for those Ministers unable to attend the offered sessions in December.
 - Thank-you for Ministers will be discussed at later meeting.
 - Evening Mass during Lent is being considered. We would like to try Wednesday evenings at 7:00 pm, also to start the Ash Wednesday Mass at 7:00 pm. This would allow us to test the suggested time for evening Holy Day Mass as well as to offer an additional time of worship during Lent for Catholics in our area

NEXT MEETING Thursday December 1

Minutes submitted by Kathy Donnelly