ST DOMINIC PRAYER AND WORSHIP
MEETING NOTES
November 7, 2022  6:15

Present: Rebecca Rupnick, Beth Munns, Laura Graney, Ann Scharrer, Jo Mlsna, Jeanne Bitkers Julie Bulkow, Susan Sellars

Chair: Jeanne Bitkers Notes: Ann Scharrer

Opening Prayer: Jeanne Bitkers

Review of October 3 meeting notes: Approved, one typo error corrected
Follow up: there was a favorable comment regarding having the Book of Gospels already placed on the altar for those Readers who prefer not to climb the sanctuary steps after the procession into church followed by placing it in the book holder.

Calendar:

- 11/12 Gospel Choir at 5PM Mass. They will provide song sheets for the congregation.
- 11/24 Holy Name Thanksgiving Day Mass Ron Spauding will be the Reader and Mike Shor will recruit a Eucharistic Minister
- 11/17 Advent Begins. Jo requested that the vinyl binder covers be put on the 2023 Missalettes before they are put on the shelves. Ann and Jeanne will do this before Advent begins.
- 12/8 Immaculate Conception will be celebrated at St Dominic on the 8th. Discussion followed regarding the fact that the SNC Liturgy Planning Team may want to check to make sure that there is at least one Mass of Anticipation in the Sheboygan Churches. Jeanne questioned why the typically planned Monday 5PM Mass could not be a Mass of anticipation in the future when a Feast Day follows on Tuesday. On a recent Feast Day only 2 churches in the outlying area held Masses of anticipation and they were extremely full.
- 12/24 Christmas Eve Mass at 5:15 at St Dominic
- 12/25 Christmas Day Mass 9:30 at St Dominic
- 1/23 SNC Liturgy Planning Mtg for the next church season
Headlines and Concerns:

- **Evaluation of Fall special blessings-Jo**
  There were several blessings throughout the fall and all went well. However, discussion pursued whether those being blessed should be allowed to remain seated for the blessings in case they don’t feel comfortable standing. Each situation may need to be considered on an individual basis. For example, the Blessing of the Veterans seems to create a lot of pride in which the veterans do want to stand if they are able to do so.

- **Recruitment/Training Lay Leaders of Communion Services-Jeanne**
  There was some concern as to what should be done in the event that there is no priest present for a Mass. In this case we need to prepare Lay Ministers to be rained. Beth will bring this before Fr. Mark at the next staff meeting to see if he agrees with having St Dominic host a training session for Catholic churches in Sheboygan County and who would be the trainer. Jeanne suggested that Fr. Bob Lotz would be very qualified as he has done such training in the past. St Dominic Prayer and Worship Committee will move forward once Fr. Mark has responded.

- **Advent Wreath Lighting/Family Recruitment-JoJo Mlsna**
  will contact Lulu and Dylan regarding the need for families to volunteer for lighting the Advent candles each week at each Mass and bringing the statue of Baby Jesus up during the Christmas Mass processions. Jo had a schedule and instruction sheet prepared for Lulu.

- **New Member Welcome followup-Ann**
  The Core Team is meeting on 11/10/22 to discuss how the remaining Welcome folders will be distributed for those families which did not pick them up at the Welcoming event September 24/25th.

- **Elizabeth Ministry (EM) Update-Ann**
  The EM wanted to know if an Intention for the prayer requests of Families involved in the Rosebud Program could be added on occasion. Jo suggested that a quarterly Intention would be acceptable. Jeanne suggested that the Elizabeth Ministry might want to consider having a Family Rosary once monthly to pray for those
intentions. Ann will bring this back to the Elizabeth Ministry at the next meeting.
Secondly, The EM sought permission and suggestions for their ministry to supply small cloth bags with children's religious book in them to be used during Masses and then returned to a designated hanging place in the back of the church. Jo offered a children’s rack to be used if it met the needs.

- **Eucharistic Revival-Jeanne**
  Kym Leibham is heading this Archdiocesan initiative and is welcoming those who would like to become directly involved to attend a Zoom meeting for more information. The Revival will be kicked off on Corpus Christi Weekend. A discussion followed regarding when the Cup will once again be offered for receiving the Blood of Christ. There has been no use of the cup since the onset of COVID in March 2020. Might this be a good time to reinstate its use with the Eucharistic Revival and docs on the Real Presence of Christ in Holy Communion. Bell ringing during the consecration was also discussed as a way to heighten awareness of “when” the bread and wine become Jesus’ body and Blood during the Mass. St Dominic does not currently ring bells during Mass.

Closing Prayer- Jeanne

Next Meeting: Monday January 9, 2023
Chairperson- Rebecca Rupnick
Note- Jeanne Bitkers
Closing Prayer- Jeanne

Respectfully Submitted,
Ann Scharrer