

Worship Commission Meeting Minutes

March 12, 2018 – 6:30-8:00 PM

Present were Peggy White, Fr. David Doseck, Mindy Dannemiller, Holly Lynd, Fr. Del Staigers, Mary Sue O'Donnell, Paul Bresciani, and Dave Heilmann. Dea. Dan Murphy and Dottie Buerger excused. Dane Baumgartner and Frank McConnell absent.

The minutes were approved from the January 8, 2018 meeting.

Peggy White reported on Greeters and Gift Bearers. She has done a good amount of recruiting and filled all her slots.

Fr. David reported that the Tridium preparation is going well. More to present later in meeting.

Mindy Dannemiller reported they recently held 6 Baptismal preparation classes. They used a revamped presentation for the first time, which they collaborated on with Father David. There are many Baptisms planned in April.

Holly Lynd reported that she asked lectors to not prepare for readings with cell phone during Mass, and to not read the italicized introduction. She reported the Children's Liturgy is going well. This is somewhat a recruiting/training ground for new lectors to become comfortable. There is a lector practice planned for March 20, for Palm Sunday and Easter Vigil lectors. Among other things, this will help them become more comfortable with the new sound system.

Paul Bresciani reported that choir sang at Rite of Election at Cathedral. The new sound system in place, it seems most of the kinks were worked out. Right microphone broken at ambo, on backorder. Paul to remove old speakers from sacristy and will check if any other Parish organizations can use. We will have brass again at Easter and Holy Thursday.

Dave Heilmann reported on ushers. He put a note in usher room directing them to welcome people at side door if there are enough greeters and ushers. Outreach commission has a new big sign to put out on power pack weeks. The new sound system sounds great, and will be greatly appreciated by people in the narthex and chapel during Mass.

Evaluation of January-March Liturgies

Confirmation (February 11) – Everyone felt it went smoothly, students did well. One observation was that two kids were in back pews by themselves (just with sponsor), try not to do this next year.

Stations of the Cross – Have received positive feedback holding in Chapel, people like the more intimate atmosphere. Has been fairly full. Fr. David will explore buying new texts, will present to Worship Commission. Church has been locked until around 7:00, Fr. Del will re-communicate to leave open so people can go in Chapel earlier.

Children's Liturgy of the Word – good participation, good feedback. Good way for 8th grade type age to get started at lector.

Light is on for You (February 27) – great participation, somewhat busy, consider 2 priests next year. Seems to be growing, Diocese spent good amount of money on advertising. Some people may have gone to this vs Reconciliation Service.

Regional Lenten Reconciliation Service (March 8)– Not very well attended, those who came were mostly from Saint John Fisher. We were earlier in Lent, could have pushed down participation. However, participants were able to take more time with each Priest. Del and David pushed a lot, went to every class, very few kids and their families came. The “remain seated” instead of forming lines worked out well. The Music volume could have been a touch louder for respecting a few persons’ anonymity in their voice. It was easy for me to hear the penitent all throughout the music being played.

Scrutinies – Well received, people like the changes in responses.

Preparation for March and April liturgical celebrations

Taize, Soup and Service (March 21) – Paul to check on candles. Will use new Lenten icon in Sacristy. Holly to get one lector. Stewardship to take care of food.

Palm Sunday (March 25) – All Liturgies except 8AM to start outdoors. Will try to test speaker outside. Dave to email ushers. If raining or cold won’t do. Palms have been ordered. Practice March 20.

Holy Thursday (March 29) – Dan and Del to do feet washing, then people will wash each other’s as they arrive. Mary Ann Fodor to prepare pitchers and towels. Emily and Fr Del working on people to carry up oil. Won’t set/post end time for Adoration, will lock after last people leave.

Good Friday (March 30) – 8th graders to carry cross, Fr David coordinating.

Easter Vigil (March 31) – Need to inventory small candles, buy as needed; Mindy will take this. Bees wax dripped last year, either get cups to cover hands or some that won’t drip. Stuff into cups. Procession into Church after outside fire, go down center aisle, light candle with Eucharistic Ministers. EM’s to be 1st, after celebrant. Ushers get them to come down the middle aisle. Ushers open all doors for people to come in.

Ushers should do a count Thursday/Friday/Saturday. Try to do from back of church, vs walking down aisles.

Easter Sunday (April 1) – Will do sprinkling rite.

First Communions (April 28 4:00, April 29 9:30, May 6 11:30) – VE singing 29th and 6th. Bill to set process for procession, seating, etc.

Continuing formation for adult liturgical ministers – push off to May meeting. Put early on May agenda, so we can set Liturgical Ministers Event in fall.

Meeting ended with prayer at 7:58.