

Worship Commission Meeting Minutes
January 8, 2018 – 6:30-8:00PM

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

The minutes were approved from the Nov. 6, 2018 meeting.

Fr. David reported that due to problems with our present type of wine used at Mass, we are switching wine producers and using a different distributor. The LaSalle Winery will be used with Meyer-Vogepohl as our distributor and the new style of wine is "St. Paul" which matches with our current wine color and comparable taste. Fr. David also asked about the use of Form B of the penitential rite. All agreed to continue its use in the liturgy. Fr. David asked about the possible use of the Apostle's Creed during the Easter Season. All agreed that it would be nice to use in the liturgy during the Easter Season. Fr. David will speak with Fr. Del and discuss the use of the Apostle Creed during the Easter Season. Fr. David spoke of the upcoming "Light Is On For You" evening opportunity in the Archdiocese for celebrating the Sacrament of Penance on Feb. 27, 2018. Commission suggests the use of two priests to be sufficient for the opportunity. The commission also asked if "greeters" are a part of this evening. Fr. David will ask Fr. Del about the role and help of "greeters" for the opportunity.

Mindy Dannemiller reported that the baptismal prep team will be meeting with 4 couples in the January meeting.

Holly Lynd reported that Children Liturgy of the Word is running smooth and appreciated the help of Lauren McConnell in this ministry. She reported on an issue with the lectors, namely, that some lectors have been proclaiming the reading synopsis in *italics* prior to the text while at the ambo. The problem repeated itself the next weekend. The lectors involved were corrected and this has hopefully stopped. Holly will monitor the problem and see if it takes care of itself over time.

Dottie Buerger reported that the Bereavement Team has been busy recently with many funerals. There is a Bereavement meeting that will occur on Thursday, Jan. 11, where more help with the bereavement team will be sought out and more information provided. She identifies two areas of greatest need being "planning the funeral liturgy" with the family of the deceased and "lectors" for the Funeral Mass itself. Holly Lynd will send out an invitation to consider being a lector at a Funeral Mass and become a part of the bereavement team through an email communication.

Peggy White reported on the Greeters and Gift Bearers involved in the liturgy. There is a need for gift bearers on the 5th Sundays at the 9:30AM Mass. She commented on the servers and their need to re-assess the length of their albs every time they serve. There were some issues presented about "congregating" in the sacristy that make preparing for the liturgy a little congested and noisy. Holly Lynd will remind Lectors of preparing their assigned reading before arrival to Mass and provide other helpful resources for issues with pronunciation of certain words in the readings. Peggy White presented a question about the role of "ushers" in comparison to

“greeters” at the entrance of the Church. All agreed that a parish can never be too welcoming but also acknowledge that discussing the proper role of an “usher” and a “greeter” would be helpful. Their roles would be better understood as both unique and complementary if explained with more clarity. Peggy also mentioned an issue of a Liturgical Sacristan setting up for multiple Masses.

Paul Bresciani reported that a new and updated sound system is planned to be installed and working by the end of the month. The new system would also improve audio in both the Narthex and the Chapel. Paul mentioned the use of brass instruments and musicians at the Christmas celebrations and mentioned a possibility of using brass and musicians at Triduum. He reported that the Lessons and Carols went well and was especially grateful to the lectors who proclaimed so well. Paul did mention some issues with the organ and that they were fixed, and the organ was given its required maintenance.

Via email correspondence dated (1/17/18) Deacon Dan Murphy reported the following: “Marriage ministry is waiting on Fr. David to complete the electronic communication portion of the new Marriage Guidelines. We added a new Liturgical Sacristan for 9:30 Mass.”

Via email correspondence dated (01/09/18) Dave Heilmann reported the following: “We held an usher meeting in January, and had around 15 ushers attend. The main topic was to review use of the defibrillator, which was very helpful. We also discussed security, with our main procedure change being to lock the Sacristy door when money is being put into the safe. Overall things have been going well, though we could use another 1-2 ushers at 4:00 and 11:30.”

At this meeting, no suggestions were mentioned for new members for future service on the Worship Commission. All were encouraged to continue to be aware of this need for new members.

Evaluation of Past Events:

Advent Evening Prayer – Mentioned that a few new people attended but overall it was not well attended by parishioners.

Immaculate Conception – No Comments

Advent Penance Service – Discussed possible reasons for number in attendance. One item to discuss with Fr. Del is organizing people to go to confession. Evaluate if there is a difference between 1) remaining seated in a section and then going forward one at a time from the section to the assigned priest, with the ability to get up and choose a different section, or 2) if standing in a line waiting is the best way to lead people into celebrating penance. Overall, finding out if seated in a section would be better than standing in line is at issue here.

4th Sunday of Advent & Christmas Eve Obligations – Few called the office to seek more information. Masses were well attended and no need for more Masses for the Sunday Mass obligation.

Christmas (Nativity of the Lord) Mass – Children at the 3:00PM Vigil Mass were encouraged to sit up front which seemed to go well. Parents need to know next year that their child will rejoin them after Mass so there is no need to reserve a seat for your child at this Mass. There was a desperate need for more ushers at the 3:00PM Vigil Mass because we had only one person to usher people to a pew/seats. This resulted in many more standing than necessary as several pews had empty spots available but no usher to be the one to point visitors/parishioners in the right direction. The entire group agreed that overall the liturgies went extraordinarily well.

Preparations for January and February Liturgies

Dates and Times were provided.

With Confirmation being celebrated here at St. Veronica on February 11 at the 11:30AM Mass, some asked about lectors and Eucharistic ministers at that Mass. The plan is to utilize the regularly scheduled people to assist with this Mass. A warning about the rite of Confirmation also happening at this Mass will be sent to all lectors and Eucharistic ministers by respective commission representatives.

On Feb. 18 – St. Veronica Choir will be singing at the Cathedral for the rite of sending for RCIA Candidates and Catechumens.

Stations of the Cross – Celebrated during Lent. The group discussed the poor attendance in the past with various reasons such as finding better time or better date, from the use of the chapel versus the use of the main church, and the involvement of the Fish Fry. It was encouraged that the Fish Fry should give some announcements prior to the Stations of the Cross being celebrated. Some discussed updating the edition and translation used for the Stations of the Cross, but the group sees this being decided after discussion with Fr. Del.

Meeting ended with Prayer at 8:02PM.