

Worship Committee Minutes

January 4, 2018

Attendance: Donna VandenHeuvel, Diane Hermsen, Peg VandeHey, David Vanderloop, Jeannie Ebben, Janie Hurst

Absent: Mary Britten

Prayer: led by Diane Hermsen

Minutes: by Diane Hermsen

Agenda approved. Minutes from December meeting approved.

Discussion:

Environment – Advent wreath/candles/decorating were done well. Mass Schedule went well. Music went well at all masses.

Children's Liturgy of the Word is going well. Readings from Cycle B are used during Lent, except for the 3rd, 4th and 5th Sundays when we have Scrutinies for the Catechumens, Cycle A will be used. A blurb will also be put in the bulletin about which cycle is to be used.

Education

Ordinary Time from the Source Book – discussion on Liturgy and how and what we are doing to bring the elements of Ordinary time into our worship space.

New Business

January 14 Arch Bishop of Milwaukee will be here for a baptism. We will be using the upright baptismal font until Easter.

World Marriage Day is on the 2nd Sunday of February. A special blessing will be given at all masses. Discussion about having a prayer card to hand out to married couples to help them pray together. David will check with the Knights of Columbus for support in this. Peg will also check with Holy Cross to see if they wish to do the same.

World Day of Prayer for the Sick is also on Sunday February 11. An intercession will be included and something will be put in the bulletin. We normally do Anointing of the sick at mass on the 3rd Friday of each month. Blessing of the throats will happen after all masses the first weekend of February.

Lent - Note: Ash Wednesday is February 14, 2018. An Easter candle was chosen. Discussion about having family activities printed in the bulletin to help families do something each night at dinner or at another time daily to heighten their Lenten experience. Discussion of Holy Week, picking up the oils at the Chrism mass at the Cathedral, Washing of the feet at Holy Thursday mass.

Environment – an idea for decorating our worship areas are the use of sea shells, blue/green colors and fish netting and stones to resemble water and life.

Corpus Christie – we will not be doing anything for this.

Peg shared an idea that is being done at the Cathedral in Green Bay. They have volunteers to open the Cathedral and greet people who wish to come in to pray during specified hours. The volunteer greets them and monitors who comes and goes. St Mary's is already open on Tuesdays for Adoration. There are concerns about safety / security. To be further discussed at next months' meeting.

Stations of the Cross

St Frances – Feb 18, Mar 4, and Mar 18

St Mary's – Feb 25, Mar 11, and Mar 25

Next Meeting: Thursday February 1, 2018 @ 5:30

Assigned readings: 2018 Sourcebook Ordinary Time pps 115 - 130
On Care of our common home The Human roots of ecological crisis

Prayer and Minutes for February 1 meeting: Janie
Minutes respectfully submitted, Diane Hermsen