

# Unapproved Minutes

## St Nicholas Parish Worship Committee

### February 4, 2025

**Members in Attendance:** Jim Newhouse, Father Robert Chinnapan, Kelly Bekkers-Graham, Joel Powers, Ron Koepke, and Vicky Wolf.

**Members not Present:** Karen Court and Glenda Sayler.

Meeting came to order at 6:32 PM.

**Opening Prayer:** Father Robert led the opening prayer.

**Review of the minutes from the January meeting:** Motion to accept was made by Joel Powers and seconded by Ron Koepke. Motion passed.

**Review of the Agenda:** Motion to accept was made by Vicky Wolf and seconded by Kelly Bekkers-Graham. Motion passed.

#### **Old Business:**

**Recap of Candle mass and St Blaise:** Overall, everything went well. For Candle mass, there were questions about why there were so many candles that needed to be blessed and also if they could take one. For next year, the boxes of candles that can be purchased need to be clearly marked so parishioners don't take the wrong candles and explanation before mass.

**Ministers "brush up" meeting the weekend of February 8/9.** Jim handed out a copy of what will be discussed for the committee to review. The committee approved the handout. Jim will present the training after 4pm and 7am mass. Father Robert and Jim will lead it after 10:30 mass.

**Missal Search:** We are still holding off the search as the lectionary has not yet been released. Jim did get some details on the cost of the seasonal missal vs the full missal. We compared the 10 year cost: estimated seasonal missal cost is \$20,000 vs the full missal is \$10,000. The committee agreed that the full missal should be purchased due to the cost difference.

#### **New Business:**

##### **Lent/Easter:**

- **Ash Wednesday** is March 5. We will start collecting palms the weekend of February 15<sup>th</sup>. Father Robert will announce about the collection of palms at the masses the weekend of February 8/9. Jim will check with Tom Murphy to ensure he will burn the palms to make the ashes for Ash Wednesday.
- **Stations & Soup.** Ron Hardy will lead the stations. Joel offered to be a sub if Ron is unable to attend one. Two Sundays will be following the "family stations" and the new family stations books have been ordered and received.

- **Palm Sunday** is on April 13. We need 2 readers for each mass. We will process into church for each mass. Parishioners will meet outside by the entrance of the St Therese Hall before mass and process through the doors in the back of the church. If the weather is inclement, we will meet in the St Therese Hall and proceed into church using the side entrance. We will need to order the same number of palms as last year.
- **Holy Thursday** is on April 17. We need 4 altar servers for Holy Thursday. Father Dennis Ryan will be doing mass. We would prefer to have 12 parishioners for feet washing, but Father Robert will check with him to determine if he can do that many. To make it easier for Father Ryan, we decided to reserve the first row in the front of church and all people getting their feet washed will come up to the front when it is time for the feet to be washed.  
The church needs to be set up for veneration; it can be done anytime after Tuesday mass. Jim will talk with Deacon Gary to discuss timing. He will let the committee know so we can help.
- **Good Friday** is on April 18. Father Dennis Ryan will be doing this service. We will use the smaller cross and Deacon Gary will carry it in. Deacon will also get it set up for placing the cross in front of the altar for veneration.
- **Holy Saturday** is on April 19. Father Dennis Ryan will be leading this mass. We need 3 altar servers. There are no baptisms at St Nicholas.
- **Easter Sunday** is on April 20. We need to instruct the servers to ring the bells through the Gloria. Sprinkling will be done at the Easter Octave and Pentecost only. Jim will ask Adee about decorating needs for the Triduum. Jim will also talk to Jill about getting Easter flower donation requests in the bulletin.

**Drums** – Someone asked if the drums that were used for life teen are available to purchase. The committee decided to keep the drums because we hope to have a youth/teen mass in the future.

**Closing prayer** was led by Father.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:12pm.

**Upcoming meetings:**

\*Tuesday, March 4 at 6:30pm

\*Tuesday, April 1 at 6:30pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Vicky Wolf