

Approved Minutes
St Nicholas Parish Worship Committee
February 6, 2024

Meeting called to order 6:35PM

Members in Attendance: Father Robert Chinnapan, Deacon Gary Vanness, Jim Newhouse, Karen Court, Joel Powers, Kelly Bekkers-Graham

Members Absent: Vicky Wolf, Ron Koepke, Glenda Saylor, Melanie Lewin

Opening Prayer: Father Robert

Minutes of Jan 2, 2024 Motion by Karen / second by Joel Motion Passed as written

Agenda: Motion to approve: Jim / Karen Motion passed

Discussion Items: Welcomed Joel to the Committee Father will explain committee mission next month when All members will hopefully be present.

Old Business: Confirmation went very well with ALL St Nicholas confirmands present. Were also joined by a few confirmands from neighboring parishes who had schedule conflicts for their parish dates.

Candle Mass Well received but light attendance. Next year should land on a weekend. This will be a great opportunity to re-introduce candle mass to parish. Look in future if not on a weekend to possibly have EVENING mass so more can hopefully attend.

New Business:

Stations & Soup Ron Hardy has agreed to lead stations. Will have Soup after each Sunday in Lent. We will use the brown covered book from last year for Weeks 1-3-5 and use Step Up Close to Jesus Stations for young people weeks 2 & 4 Jim will work with Jill to have announcement in bulletin for stations and calling out the two weeks geared toward families with children / youth.

Ash Wednesday: 2/14/24 1:30 Fr. Robert School will cover participants 7PM Liturgy of the Word Deacon Gary Deacon Gary will verify with Jennifer if Faith formation students will assist him.

Palm Sunday: ALL Masses have all meet in St. Therese Hall and process with palms. Weather permitting outside to Narthex (If poor weather will process from elevator stairs. Karen will secure 2 extra readers Need 2 servers.

Holy Thursday: 3/28 6:30PM Fr. Mark Mleziva - Washing of Feet Deacon Gary and Jim will secure 12 participants Need 4 Servers Jim will ribbon off the seating near organ. Altar of Repose will be in the ALCOVE where Mary statue is usually. (Temporarily move Mary to St Joseph Alcove).

Good Friday: 3/29 Fr. Mark 3:00 PM Jodi & Kelly will handle music including Reproaches etc.... need 2 Servers Father will confirm if we will use the smaller Crucifix or large wooden cross. If so will need High school students to carry cross.

Holy Saturday 3/30 Fr. Mark We will use 3 Old Testament readings Genesis, Exodus, and Isaiah the Epistle, and Gospel Karen to secure 4 Readers also need 3 Servers. Deacon Gary will have 3 sets of bells to be rung throughout singing of the GLORIA. Invite all who are able to meet outside at the fire. Deacon will contact David for the Video to be broadcast in church. Deacon will confirm with Paul Jochman to handle the fire. There will be NO Announcements prior to Mass on Holy Saturday.

EASTER Day 3/31 Will have announcements before Mass.

Décor Etc: Father will touch base with Melanie on Holy Week / Easter Décor as well as Altar of Repose.

Jim will touch base to ensure Announcement in bulletin for Easter Flower donations. Sprinkling rite will be done at Easter and Pentecost only.

Book Study: Currently 22 signed up for morning sessions and 5 for evenings Group has begun to read the first set of reading with first group gatherings on the 27th. We plan to have a Blessing of the participants at the 10:30 Mass on Palm Sunday.

Respectfully submitted: Jim Newhouse

Next Meeting: Tuesday March 5, 2024