

Sacred Worship Committee Minutes

March 9, 2023

Present: Fr. Jeffrey Hennes, Mary Davidson, Kris Hansen, Ellen Miskowski, Kathy Tetzloff, Tari Wallner and Jean Bablitch

Prayer: Jean Bablitch

Featured Discussion:

Review / Ash Wednesday through Easter (Easter Book)

Ash Wednesday - February 22 - Masses with ashes were the 9:00 AM School Mass at St. Stephen (this had the least attendance - probably due to the snow and school being cancelled). 12:00 Noon at St. Joseph was well attended 6:30 PM at St. Stephen had a small attendance.

Lenten Reconciliation - March 21 at St. Joseph at 6:30 PM. Priests from the area will help. Canned music will be played during the confession time.

Holy Week

Palm Sunday - April 1/2. Liturgy will begin in the back of the church. People will process from the back of the church to the front to get their palms just as we have done in previous years.

Monday - April 3. Seder Meal. Leo and Janet Jacoby are chairpersons. Matzoh breadmaking will be held Saturday (April 1).

Tuesday - April 4. There will be a Eucharistic Revival Pilgrimage to LaCrosse. 5:45 AM - Bus loads at St. Joseph. 7:30 AM - Comfort stop in Tomah. 9:00 AM - Cathedral Tour. 10:30 - AM Chrism Mass. 12:45 PM - Lunch at Viterbo University. 1:45 PM - Tour of Viterbo's campus. 2:30 PM - Tour of Maria Angelorum Perpetual Adoration Chapel. 3:30 PM - Return departure. Cost of \$25 per person includes bus and lunch.

Holy Thursday - April 6. 6:00 PM at St. Stephen. We will need 6 people from St. Joseph for foot washing.

Good Friday - April 7. 12:30 PM at St. Stephen. The Good Friday walk will be held this year (weather permitting) starting at 3:00 PM. It will begin and end at St. Joseph with 14 stops along the way.

Holy Saturday - April 8. 12:00 Blessing of Easter food baskets. 12:30 PM Eggstravaganza. We can use this event to promote evangelization. "Holy Moments" books will be made available. 8:30 PM Easter Vigil at St. Stephen.

Easter Sunday - April 9. Mass schedule as usual.

Nativity Set - We are looking at quotes for the restoration of the statues and the building of a platform and stable.

Mission March 5-7th at St. Joe's - The mission was very good and faith energizing. Attendance was good. Keith has allowed us to have this on U Tube at Point Catholic Faith.org/Worship/Mass Videos/Parish Mission. There was plenty of food. Leftovers were used on subsequent days. More planning communication is needed between parishes especially in regard to serving and refreshments.

Do we need people for the Washing of the Feet? - See above / Holy Thursday.

Seder Meal? - See above / Monday, April 3.

Goal of a Welcoming Parish - An activity will be done at each of our meetings beginning in the fall.

Christmas / Easter Cards - The Easter cards are ready for signatures. Ellen will be in touch as to when we can sign.

St. Joseph Day? This will be celebrated on Monday, March 20. There will be doughnuts and coffee after the Monday morning Mass. There will be no stations after Mass that day. Prayer cards will be distributed the weekend of March 18/19.

Eucharistic Revival / Bulletin Articles etc. - There will be an article about a Eucharistic Miracle posted in the bulletin and on the bulletin board in the gathering space each week during Lent. New articles will also be posted monthly for the rest of the year.

Lockbox for Office - No word on this.

What are we hearing?

Picnic Basket - Looking for a theme for our picnic basket. Picnic will be two days. Research is being done on music.

Milk Can - Donations are currently being given to the Franciscans Downtown. Donations are pretty minimal. Should the can be removed? Think about this for the next meeting.

Easter Decorating -Tari will advise when this will be done.

Next Meeting: Thursday - April 13 at 1:00

Prayer Leader for next meeting: Mary Davidson

Closing Prayer & Blessing: Fr. Hennes

Respectfully submitted by: Jean Bablitch