

OCTOBER 2016 WORSHIP COMMISSION MINUTES

October 6, 2016

1:30 PM

Egg Harbor

Introductory Business

- *Meeting called to order at 1:30. Members present included Connie Brandt, Father Dave, Kathy Sedan, Michelle Piatek, Mary Gomoll*
- *Prayer*
- *Michelle made a motion for the approval of September minutes; Connie seconded that motion.*

Liturgical Ministry Updates

- **Ministry Training Update** – *Michelle shared that the original pattern for training was for new ministers to fill out paperwork, receive the guidelines, be trained, and then sign up. This has not always been the case lately and she's not sure who has been trained properly.*
- **Ministry Scheduling Update** - *Michelle reported that she had a good response from all ministers on the upcoming schedule. The new schedule begins on weekend of Oct. 22/23. With only three Masses each weekend, all positions should be covered. There are now only five individuals who don't have e-mail, so this makes it easier to get the word around. Michelle will send out information for available positions for the upcoming special Masses for holy days in November and December, Thanksgiving, and Christmas.*
- **Ministry Descriptions Update** – *Kathy shared the progress accomplished on the various ministry descriptions. Marian and Michelle helped on the sacristan description. After Father Dave approves them, we will work on getting them into the hands of our ministers. There are very few people designated as Art & Environment ministers, so that description will be addressed at a later date.*
- **Wedding Update** – *Kathy shared that there are three more weddings in October and one scheduled for November. She will be attending a diocesan workshop to be updated on the new wedding guidelines next week. Kathy will share information at the next Worship Commission meeting regarding this.*

General Old Business

- **Mass Schedule Changes** – We have two more weeks of the Fall schedule with 1 extra Mass at 9:00 AM in Fish Creek on Oct. 9th. Saturdays – 4:00 PM at FC, 6:00 PM at JP; Sundays – 8:00 AM at EH, 9:30 AM at SB, 11:00 AM at BH, 1:00 PM at WI

- **Season of Prayer for Care of our Common Home**
- **New Psalm booklets** – *Positive comments have been received on including the verses with the psalms.*
- **Cantors learn Mass of Christ Our Savior Mass setting** – *All found the new Mass setting to be relatively easy to learn and liked it.*
- **Respect Life Sunday** - October 1-2
- **Pet Blessing** – *Held Sunday, October 2nd at Sister Bay, at 1:00 PM. Deacon David blessed pets. 9 dogs and 11 people attended the pet blessing.*

General New Business

- **Pumpkin Patch Open House in Egg Harbor** – *The Egg Harbor church will be open from 10 – 2 on the Saturday of Pumpkin Patch weekend. Kathy Sedan will be available from 10-12 noon, Sharon Brabson will take the Noon - 2 shift. A handout of the history of the church will be available for visitors.*
- **Stella Maris to learn new Mass Setting** – Cantors will begin teaching, and we'll begin using, the Mass of Christ, Our Savior on the weekend of Oct. 22-23.
- **Mass Schedule Changes beginning October 22nd**– Fall & early Winter Schedule: BH & EH closed for 3 months. Masses are on Saturdays at 4:00 PM at FC, Sundays at 8:00 AM at JP, 10:00 AM at SB, and 2:00 PM at WI.
- **Priesthood Sunday** – October 30th; Blessing of our priests
- **All Saints Day** – Holy Day of Obligation, Tuesday, November 1st – Masses at 8:00 AM at SB and 6:00 PM at FC. *The Litany of Saints will be sung.*
- **I Will Live On service of remembrance** - Thursday, November 10th, from 12 – 2 PM at Fish Creek. We'll begin with a light luncheon and then head into church to sing and pray the service of remembrance. *Last year, very few attended the evening service, so it was moved to an afternoon service this year. Booklets will be available for the congregation this year. Becky and Sharon will contact the recently bereaved. Information will go into Kathy's worship column in the bulletin, announcements and posters will invite anyone who would like to honor the memory of a deceased person. Luncheon menu: Connie - BBQ pulled pork, Kathy – buns & decorations, Marian – chips, Mary – cookies, pickles*

- **Year of Mercy** ends on November 20th.
- **Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service Update** – *Father Dave hadn't heard anything yet and is unsure if this will be happening.*
- **Thanksgiving Day Mass** – **9:00 AM** at SB on November 24th
- **Season of Advent begins** – November 26-27
- **Advent Update** – *Ryan Miller will create a banner for our churches relating to the theme of "Save Us, O Lord". We will go with a simple Advent wreath set-up under the banner of table with purple cloth, greens, and candles added each week.*
- **Initial Ideas for Lent 2017** – *Ash Wednesday is March 1st. We have a Reconciliation service planned, Stations of the Cross on Fridays, and initial ideas regarding an afternoon Lenten activity. Commission members who are interested in helping plan Lent can volunteer at our next meeting.*
- **Marian Feast Days** – *All people in Wisconsin will be dedicated to Mary beginning on October 7th, the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary. Currently, a group at Baileys Harbor meets to say the rosary at noon each Tuesday and again before Friday morning Mass. If people want to begin a devotion to Mary, such as Perpetual Help devotions, they can certainly do that. Unfortunately, our parish members don't seem to come out for most extra services.*

Closing Prayer

Next Worship Meeting is set for **Thursday, December 1st, at 1:30 PM in Egg Harbor. See you there!**