

Minutes
Worship Commission
St. Veronica Church
Tuesday, November 17, 2020 – 6:30-8:00 p.m.
Zoom Meeting

Attendance, present: Fr. Del, Paul Bresciani, Janet Bresciani, Steve Gerwe, Dottie Buerger, Tom Baker, Peggy Hager, Mindy Dannemiller, Dave Heilmann
Excused: Mindy Dannemiller

Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46, Dottie Buerger read, followed by discussion.

Business:

- September 2020 minutes approved with no changes.
- Member Report Recap – “red” items decisions
 - Peggy’s question on replacing blue tape on pews
 - Peggy will order samples, beige/gold, cut into shapes
- Frs. Del and Alex notes
- Advent/Christmas Planning
 - Advent Taizé Prayer? – Willing to watch? Camera on choir area? **Streaming, cancelled due to Covid**
 - 1st Reconciliation – **Kids are learning, individual confessions**
 - Dec. 8, Immaculate Conception – Tuesday (7:30am)
 - Christmas Survey Results – **Long Discussion**
 - Dec. 24, Christmas Eve – 3pm, 5pm, 7pm, 9pm
 - Mass Streamed in Gym, **Need double EM’s & Ushers**
 - Seating in Gym, **Bill explained streaming and seating**
 - Dec. 25, Christmas Day – 8am, 9:30am
 - Dec. 31, Mary, Holy Mother – 4pm
 - Jan. 1, Mary, Holy Mother – 9:30am

Worship Commission Member Reports – November, 2020

Art and Environment (Peggy Hager):

General Items

- New Peace Lilies were purchased for the altar. The smaller one didn't thrive as well so I took it home and added one of the older plants to the pot. All of the painter's tape used to mark the pews for COVID-19 protocols was replaced with removable hooks and white polyester chord.
- I would like to replace the blue painter's tape markings used by St. Veronica students when they come to mass with something more standard, but finding removable stickers is proving challenging. **Any thoughts from the group would be welcome! Discussion, Peggy to get sample, beige, shape**
- Advent Purple banners and altar cloths will go up either Friday 11/27 or early Saturday 11/28. They will come down and be replaced with the Christmas banners Sunday 12/20.

Christmas flowers 2020

- We placed a standard order with Benken Florist. Our order was smaller than last year with the thought that we could supplement the flowers once we know how much was donated by parishioners to honor loved ones. Our budget for Christmas and Easter is dictated by this tradition.
- The Nativity set will be placed on the steps of the altar for the Christmas Season on Sunday 12/20. The 3 Kings will start their journey on the steps by the ambo, then they will be moved over to join the Holy Family for the Feast of the Epiphany.

Ordinary Time

- All Nativity pieces will come down and green banners and altar cloths will go back up on Sunday afternoon, January 10. Unless there is a concern around COVID-19, the flowers will be offered to parishioners to take home starting that afternoon.

At-large (Tom Baker):

- Nothing to report

Baptism (Mindy Dannemiller):

- Baptisms have really picked up. We've had five baptisms in November, and two scheduled for January.

Bereavement (Dottie Buerger):

- Ben and I just got back to planning funerals in October and we had 4 of them in 2 1/2 weeks.
- We had the All Souls Mass on All Souls Day this year and 20 of the deceased from our parish were remembered at that Mass. Most of them had family members at the mass who took their candles home.

Eucharistic Ministers (Steve Gerwe):

- EMs continue to sub out due to illness or concerns for COVID-19, particularly newly commissioned eighth graders
- 11:30 Masses are most in need, newest Mass and growing in attendance, so more Ministers may participate
- I appreciated the messages before the Mass including how to receive Holy Communion
- Concerned about finding willing volunteers for Christmas Masses, but we'll work through it once schedule is set

Lectors (Janet Bresciani):

- We have trained 3 new “youth” lectors. All have been added to the 11:30am Mass schedule for November and will continue on the monthly schedule.

Music (Paul Bresciani):

- Our new live-streaming equipment has been installed. It has been a tremendous upgrade, and we are still tinkering to get just the right balance between what we hear in church and what people hear in their homes.

Parochial Vicar (Fr. Alex Biryomumeisho):

- No report

Servers (Nick Robben):

- No report

Ushers (Dave Heilmann):

- Some ushers weren't keeping Narthex/Church doors open. We sent a reminder email, and also asked them to keep the Narthex/outside doors open during milder weather.