

5/4/21 Worship Commission Minutes

1. Opening Prayer - Fr. Haft
2. Update from Mtg. with David Kissell - Ashley and Fr Haft gave us an update from the leadership meeting with David Kissell. Fr Haft mentioned that our parish has a projected deficit of \$600,000.00. Instead of money talk the focus of the meeting was about faith formation and school mission. Building the parish this way can lead to more contributions. Fr Haft has decided that rather than send letters to parishioners asking for money he will focus on building the parish relationships first. A survey is going to be drafted and sent to all parishioners to find out what they like about the parish, what is missing for them, what would better engage them.
 - Along these lines Ashley talked about how to keep the women who attended the Christ Renews weekend engaged with our parish. Perhaps it would be good to question participants to find out where their interests lie so as to help them serve the parish in one or more areas soon after this weekend. She and Deacon Bob will work together to create a follow-up plan with CRHP weekend attendees.
3. Covid Precautions/Changes Update - Fr. told us that now that the hymnals have been replaced there is no need to spray the pews. Instead, only the door handles will be sanitized.
 - The bulletin will no longer need to list the song lyrics and readings. These things will be in the hymnal. There will be no need for missalettes. Readings may be found in the Gather hymn. The bulletin will tell the page number that the readings are on and the letter of the cycle we are following. More Choir hymnals will be ordered.
 - Fr. Haft told us that Spectrum is working on getting the church ready for streaming the Mass. FiberOptics has been installed. Spectrum has not yet completed the project. Once it is complete, we will need a talented individual to help do the actual streaming. Prayers are needed to find this person. The monthly cost is \$150 to have streaming unless Fr. has a volunteer to create a system that would not require Spectrum managing the streaming. The initial cost setup is \$3,500.
 - We discussed a plan for getting people to come back to the Mass since attendance has not returned to normal since Covid. Ashley talked about involving the school children and their families in a Children's Mass once a month beginning as soon as possible. The decision was made to not begin with 8th grade but a younger grade where enthusiasm might be higher. There could be a children's choir where school children could participate after practicing the songs at school with their teacher. Perhaps parents and children would like some kind of fellowship with treats after the Mass outside if Covid rules are still in place. Ashley & Rob will begin Mass for Families at the 11:15 AM mass and coordinate with Alex Hawk & Kay Bono how to include families at the 4:30 & 9 mass after we get a good system at the 11:15 mass.
 - Hope to begin Family mass on 6/27 with 7th grade and continue every 4th Sunday.
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4. The sound system in Church is getting a "tune up". It will happen after school ends for the year. At the present time it can be loud one week and too soft the next. Those who are speaking at the microphone need to be reminded to speak up and enunciate. Also perhaps the microphone could be adjusted for height of person reading.? Fr Haft might be able to give his homily using the microphone he can wear. This one works the best. Folks on the Confession side of the Church can have a hard time understanding all the words being spoken from microphone.
 - Kay Bono shared that the keyboard in the server room where musicians practice is not working well and asked for approval for a new keyboard. Alex Hawk will assist. in checking keyboard and purchase a new one if needed. She also shared that Pat Ciarla enjoys playing mass at St. Antoninus and if the needs grow greater for a musician he might be interested in a bigger capacity.

5. On May 16 at 2 pm Fr. Scott Morgan will have his first Mass at St. Antoninus. The 9,11:15 and 4:30 pm Sat Mass will still take place. There will be a reception after Mass where hors d'oeuvres will be served to anyone who attends this Mass. The Network of Care will be helping with greeting.

6. On June 6, the Feast of Corpus Christi, Fr Haft is planning on having a Eucharistic Procession after Mass inside the Church followed by Benediction. It was suggested to have an outside Eucharistic procession at some point in the future perhaps followed by Mass at Schott Field. Fr. Haft would like to have a special Eucharistic afternoon in the Church advertised by Sacred Heart Radio. It would be from 3-5 pm. Adoration and Confession would go on during that time with the inspiring Eucharistic Miracle Posters displayed all the way around the sides of the church.

7. Also on June 5-6 Engaged Encounter will happen at St Antoninus

- Engaged Encounter would like St. A volunteers to make coffee throughout weekend, refill water and tea pot if able.

8. Alex Hawk and Kay Bono were approved as new Worship Commission members.

9. Fr. Haft also explained how Rachel Willig had talked to him about expanding Adoration to offer it perpetually. Fr. would like to begin by expanding it to include one or two more days a week. Perhaps the 2:30-3 pm time slot could be for Mom's with children.

Fr Haft would like to find another Tabernacle so he could have a separate one for the Chapel. This would allow for more flexibility with Masses. He would also like to move the placement of the new Tabernacle in the Chapel and the seating so as to allow for separate viewing of relics and altar.

10. May Crowning will happen this Friday May 7th after the 8 am Mass.

- For Mother's Day, all mothers will receive flowers and all expectant mothers will receive roses. St Gerard medals with prayers will also be offered to expectant mothers. Fr. Haft needs a reminder about giving the blessing to the expectant moms.

11. Doug Jaeger offered to be the next worship Commission Chair going forward.

12. Ascension Thursday will be celebrated on Sunday again this year.

13. Fr Haft mentioned he might start the special activities between Masses when the Children's Mass begins. His idea is to have Confession on the first Sunday of month followed by faith formation on the second and third Sundays followed by coffee and donuts on the fourth Sunday. Perhaps conversion stories could also be shared during one of these Sundays.

14. Ashley mentioned she would like for Worship Commission meetings to happen more frequently perhaps even monthly in the future.

15. Fr Haft closed with a prayer.

Respectfully submitted by Mary Ann Baverman