

Prayer and Worship Committee Discussion Summary

Date: 1/17/2018

Members present:

Bill Lieven, Maggie Pernice, Carol Machulak, Cathy Starck, Tina D'Alessio, Neal Bardele, Nancy Krebs, Mike Harris, Lois Harris, Carol Weiland

Absent: Josh Mount, Lynn Dziadulewicz, Fr. Philip, Bethanne Mazurczak,

Learning Activity:

Neal Bardele suggested we take some time to discuss what the responsibilities of the Prayer and Worship Committee were.

We went over the goals as listed in the Growing Jesus' Parish book.

The following were further highlighted and discussed:

- Environment of church space

- How well congregation is engaged in Sunday liturgy-could use improvement

- Liturgical ministers in regard to:

 - Scheduling-good tool, sometimes hard when whole family needs to reschedule, hard to get replacements then.

 - Training- who are trainers? Could they use help?

 - Recruiting-always best to invite someone and encourage them

 - Formation

 - Recognition of ministers-Mostaccioli, Merlot,& Ministry dinner Jan 20, 2018 along with a rite of commissioning. Also suggested in future have a rite of commissioning at Sunday masses once a year.

Weekday masses – has been pointed out we do have better attendance(40-50) than other parishes based on observation.

Other community prayer & worship opportunities such as:

- Evening vespers

- Anointing of sick maybe once a year

Evaluation:

Advent: vespers was offered on the 3 Wed during Advent at 5:30pm, lasting ½ hour was well attended. Plan on doing next year.

Christmas Masses: Christmas eve 4:30pm always well attended; 10:30pm had about 400; 9:30am Christmas day had fewer than a normal Sunday mass.

New Awareness:

Bill & Maggie went over budgets for Music & Liturgy

Lent:

- Stations of the Cross will be at St. Bernards

- Idea brought up of Vespers or Stations led by laity at Christ King

Triduum:

- Holy Thursday at St. Bernards- to help with traffic & parking maybe use a shuttle from Christ King

ASSIGNMENT FOR NEXT MEETING:

How well is congregation engaged in Sunday Liturgy. Watch and listen to what goes on during mass. Ask fellow parishioners how the liturgy can be better. What would they like to have.

Next meeting: February 21, 2018