

Saint John the Baptist - Worship Commission

December 9, 2015 Minutes

Date:	December 9, 2015	Time:	6:30 pm (Mass at 5:30, Dinner at 6:00)
Chair:	Jill	Location:	St John's
Recorder:	Bonnie	PLC Rep:	Barb

Member/Attendee	Present	Member/Attendee	Present	Member/Attendee	Present	Member/Attendee	Present
Barb	x	Mary H		Mary E	x	Cary	x
Pamela	x	Arlys	x	Corey		Rose Ann	x
Jill	x						
Staff Representative:	Jay						
Guest(s) & Purpose:							

- **PLC minutes from November 2015 meeting.**
 - Please check the parish website for current PLC minutes.
- **Update of projects:**
 - Lighting project: to replace existing lighting with new LED lighting \$143,000. To add alternate lighting \$190,000. Alternate lighting would include: special fixtures to remove shadows, lighting over the baptismal font & statues; ambulatory lighting; sanctuary lighting, etc.
 - A small offering box is being installed below the Icon by the Chapel of the Angels for Daily Mass.
- **Discussed possible workshop with Music Ministers, Eucharistic Ministers and Readers**
 - Potential schedule:
 - 6:30pm – Eucharist ministers
 - 7:00pm – General meeting.
 - Introduction by a Worship Commission member.
 - Short talk given by a priest (20 minutes).
 - Question and answer time.
 - 7:30pm – Readers and Music workshops
 - Offer two sessions – one weeknight, one on the weekend. Jay will check with Teri S. for open dates, Prefer after Christmas season & before Ash Wednesday. Hospitality will be provided.
- **Discussed possible “Question and Answer” section in the bulletin.**
 - Explain the how and why of the Mass. One short topic each week.
 - Jay will send info. to Bonnie.

Goals for this year:

1. Discuss ways to educate people in their faith so they come to love and understand the Mass more deeply. The Worship Commission is not an Entertainment Commission. Possibilities to discuss would be: continuous education sessions/seminars in the worship space; liturgical planning; add "order of the Mass" leaflets that explain the "whys" in all pews for reference to those who are not Catholic or are growing in their faith.
2. Finish and implement new Usher & Greeter guide (Corey to send us guide to review)
3. Continue to encourage more parishioners to participate in the Mass.
4. Continue to address other needed physical improvements of the worship space; large scale such as the ceiling and sound system and small items such as repair of kneelers, handrails on ramps in the church and Holy Water Founts at the doors on either side of the ceremonial doors.