

Saint John the Baptist - Worship Commission

June 10, 2015 Minutes

Date:	June 10, 2015	Time:	6:30 pm (Mass at 5:30, Dinner at 6:00)
Chair:	Jill	Location:	St John's
Recorder:	Bonnie	PLC Rep:	Cary

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

Opening prayer lead by Jill.

We welcomed Mary E. to the commission!

PLC rep volunteer for next year.

- Cary explained what takes place @ PLC meetings. Information sharing.
- Barb G. has agreed to be the PLC rep for 2015-2016. Thank you Barb.

Voted on minor changes made to Constitution and By-laws.

Changes have been approved

Constitution

- Article III, Section 3, Transitions - last paragraph
- Vacancies created by the departure of members will be filled by appointment by the Pastor. Replacements *appointed* by the Pastor or a Commission will serve out the remainder of the term of the member being replaced.
- **Recommendation:** Vacancies created by the departure of commission members prior to the completion of his or her term will be filled by recommendations to the Pastor, who will have final approval. Replacements **approved** by the Pastor will serve out the remainder of the term of the member being replaced.

By-laws

- Article III - Section #'s
- There is no Section 4
- **Recommendation:** Section 5 should be Section 4 and Section 6 should be Section 5.
- Article III, Section 9
- Commissions may be added, combined, split, or discontinued at the discretion of the Pastor.
- **Recommendation:** Delete section. This only applies to the PLC, not the individual commissions.

Cary reviewed PLC minutes from May 20th meeting. More information can be found by checking the PLC minutes on the website.

Jay provided overview to the Worship Commission regarding how Sunday Masses are developed with regards to message, homilies, music, etc.

- Music is tied into the readings.
- Homilies are written by each priest.

Update from Jay on his music discussion with the priests.

- Both Fr. Skluzacek & Fr. Jaspers like the contemporary /choir mix at the 10:30 am Mass.
- We are staying with the same music schedule for the fall. Ignite will return to the 5:30pm Sunday evening Mass
- It is the time of the Mass that draws the parishioners, not the music.

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What is the plan for hymnal replacement?

- Currently no decision has been made. The decision will need to be made soon as we will need new Hymnal/Pew Missal/Leaflet by the 1st Sunday of Advent.
- Jay will look into the cost difference between the Pew Missal and an expanded Mass leaflet.
- Additional funding idea: Having ad space in the leaflet for parishioners/businesses to sponsor a weekend.

New 21st century volunteer scheduler.

- If you haven't done so, please attend one of the informational mtgs. presented by Gary R.
- The program is in test mode for the summer and will be live in the fall.
- Other ministries are considering using the program due to the ease of scheduling, finding subs, etc.

What can the commission do to support the liturgical minister and priests?

- Most churches have a Liturgical Minister and a Music Minister – we have one person covering both functions. How can we help with communication, etc?
- Consider putting together a protocol for outside events – what needs to be done to plan, what needs to be communicated and to whom, options to utilize musicians of the parish rather than bringing in their own musicians, etc. This will be an agenda item when we start up again in the fall.

Hospitality for September 12/13. Jill will check with Patty for confirmation.

Accomplishments for the first 1 ½ years

- **Worship Commission Start-up.** This took up a majority of the time in the beginning.
 - Ground Rules were established
 - Mission Statement
 - Constitution & By-Laws
 - Provided general feedback on Servant Leader Model.
- **Projects**
 - Hymnal discussion and recommendation
 - Progress & support of new Usher & Greeter guide
 - Discussed how to get more volunteers for our ministries.
 - Developed new volunteer form
 - Tie in with New Parishioner Orientation
 - Assisted with Parish Mission – music, greeters. Etc.
- **General Information**
 - Informed of new volunteers scheduling system.
 - Columbarium project (church or cemetery)
 - Reviewed Parish Mission survey results.
- **Discuss and provide feedback and/or recommendations on request of pastor:**
 - Ignite Mass discussion of pros and cons for Father Skluzacek.
 - Discussed Blue Sky's Children's offertory suggestion – gave recommendation to Father Skluzacek.
 - FallFest proceeds – recommended projects. Presented recommendations to Father Skluzacek.

Items to consider for 2015-2016

- **Review Musicam Sacrum over the summer**
http://www.vatican.va/archive/hist_councils/ii_vatican_council/documents/vat-ii_instr_19670305_musicam-sacram_en.html
- **Introit**
- **While staying within the boundaries of the church and listening to our parishioners, how can we get people “fired up” to be here with their church family? How can we be more welcoming?**