

# Saint John the Baptist - Worship Commission

## March 14, 2017 Minutes

<b>Date:</b>	March 14, 2017	<b>Time:</b>	6:30 pm
<b>Chair:</b>	Jill	<b>Location:</b>	St. John's
<b>Recorder:</b>	Bonnie	<b>PLC Rep:</b>	Pat

Member/Attendee	Present	Member	Present	Member	Present	Member	Present
Barb	x	Pat	x	Corey	via phone	Cary	x
Mary Ann	x	Jill	x	Rose Ann	x	Mary H	x
<b>Staff Representative:</b>	Jay						
<b>Guest(s) &amp; Purpose:</b>							

- **Cary, Corey and Barb are approaching the end of their 3 year term. They will discern and let Jill know if they will reup at the April meeting.**
- **Flag Request by the Knights of Columbus –**
  - Ways we are currently displaying the American Flag:
    - We have a giant flag outside of the school
    - National holidays we display 22 flags on the light posts.
    - We have a 10x20 flag that is unfurled on national holidays.
  - The Worship Commission thanks the Knights of Columbus for their interest in displaying the United States flag and the Papal flag in the Church and St Joseph's Hall. The Worship Commission is making the following recommendation to the Arts and Environment Committee:  
Based on USCCB's statement on Displaying Flags in the Church, the Worship Commission requests the Arts and Environment Committee determine locations for the US flag and the Papal flag in **St. Paul Plaza** and **St Joseph Hall**, with considerations of safety, visibility, and respect.
- Father Skluzacek has asked our commission (as well as some others) to offer input in helping St. John's Legacy Committee develop case statements that will help shape/communicate priorities for future support of the parish and school.
  - Projects:
    - Finish lighting
    - Sound System – hearing loop
    - Restore pews/kneelers/floors
    - Improved security
    - Whole ceiling – Remove? – Paint?
    - HVAC vents/Circulation/Controls
    - Cloak Room Renovation
    - Choir/Music Area Renovation/Piano
    - South & West Entry Doors – Energy/Appearance/HVAC
    - Adoration Chapel – Pews/Arrangement
    - Organ – lifecycle maintenance/cleaning
  - Programs:
    - Funding for cantors and instrumentalists (holidays).
    - Availability for attending seminars and conferences for worship.
    - Support for more broad continuing music programs -children's, handbell choir, youth.

*Please be prepared to continue this discussion at our next meeting.*

- **Hymnal update:** More hymnals have been ordered. Due to arrive the week of March 20.

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- **Projects (Jay)**
  - **New Ceiling and Sound System** - PLC has recommended to table new projects until the mortgage is paid off (2019)
  - **Hearing Loop:** Demonstration is scheduled for May 2 at 1PM. Please encourage **all** those with hearing aids to attend. They will be amazed.
  - **50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary** – Planning will resume after Easter.
- **New business:**
  - PGA believes funeral hosts/hospitality belongs under the Worship Commission umbrella. PGA should submit a recommendation to the PLC.

### For next meeting:

- **Training issues identified at December meeting:**
  - **Usher & Parish – Continue discussion on investigating options for safety training.**
    - Rose Ann put together a list of topics and questions to get us started. (please bring list from February meeting)
- **Status of Good (Worship) Question**

**If you have an item you would like added to the agenda, please submit it to Jill prior to the meeting.**

### Suggested Goals for 2016-2017:

- Recognize Worship is the core value of the parish.
- Continue to encourage more parishioners to participate in the Mass.
- 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.
- 50th Anniversary of the Church planning for the celebratory year.
- Establish an endowment for music and/or liturgical needs.
- Stress the importance of bringing the children to the church.