

# Saint John the Baptist - Worship Commission

March 12, 2019 – Minutes

<b>Date:</b>	March 12, 2019	<b>Time:</b>	6:35 pm
<b>Chair:</b>	Pat	<b>Location:</b>	Saint 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	A	Cary	X
Mary Ann	X					Mary H	X
Michael	X						
<b>Staff Representative:</b>	Jay						
<b>Guest(s) &amp; Purpose:</b>	James Poehler – discerning to be a new member						

**Bearing witness to Jesus Christ who is the Way, the Truth and the Life: GO. MAKE. TEACH.**

## Welcome and Introductions

## Old Business

**PLC report** - Please see the website for the current PLC minutes.

**Recruit two new members** – Looking for one new member.

**50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the New Church Edifice update** - We are in the final months of the celebration of our 50th Anniversary of our New Church Edifice.

These events are coming up in the next few months:

April 14 – Archbishop Hebda will be celebrating the 10:30AM Mass

May – 50 Year Club Luncheon

Spring – Second Annual Golf Tournament

June 22 – Closing Mass with Bishop Andrew Cozzens and Festival Dinner

**Training for Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers** – An Usher and Greeter training session was held March 2. More training sessions will be held in the future. Looking for dates for the Eucharistic and Lector training.

**Handicapped seating area** – No known updates

**Choir seating** – On hold

**Hymnal care** – It's been reported that the hymnals are being treated better. Jay will submit information for the bulletin with a thank you.

**Plaza monitor – before Mass announcements: remove headwear, turn off cell phones, other?**

Put post Mass comments about exiting the sanctuary to allow people to pray after Mass in the Worship Aid and in the bulletin from time to time.

Pre-Mass announcements – plaza monitor. A submission with wording will be sent to Bonnie.

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## **New Business**

### **Points of Light -**

Father Skluzacek received an invitation for St. John's to participate in a CTV (local cable) program called "Points of Light - Where to Worship." This is a live cable program, giving local churches five minutes to share what is special about their place of worship. The program would be recorded and rebroadcast at various times.

The program is live on March 28, CTV Cable Channel 15, 859, and on website [ctvnorthsuburbs.org](http://ctvnorthsuburbs.org) and Facebook, from 7-9pm, and we have the slot at 741pm.

We want to design the segment so it can be placed on our website, used for new parishioner orientation, and in other channels as appropriate.

Five minutes is not a lot of time, so we want to keep the "elevator speech" concept in mind. The estimated time of five minutes, at average speaking, is about 750 words (150 words/minute). We would be talking about the School and the Church.

Bret has generously accepted to be an interviewee. Looking for one more interviewee.

**The choir will be singing at the St. Paul Cathedral for Confirmation on May 20 at 7pm.  
The Knights of Columbus gave \$150 to help support the bus ride to the Cathedral.**

## **Adjournment**

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## **Worship Commission Goals for 2018-2019**

### **Enhance and Grow Adult and Children's Choirs**

Brainstorm ideas to attract new voices for the adult choir

What needs to be done to build the children's choirs from young to Confirmation and beyond?

*Choristers (young singers) building.*

*Promotion for Bell Choir.*

### **Enhance and Improve Worship Experience for Weekend Liturgy Attendees**

Determine if there are ways to improve the worship experience for Mass attendees at the weekend liturgies, which is the main connection we have with parishioners.

*Greeters ministry upgraded.*

### **Ongoing Formation and Certification for Ministers**

To improve and enhance their participation and to demonstrate leadership to parishioners to fulfill the Parish mission.

Includes: Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Servers, Choirs, Ushers, Greeters

Need for VIRTUS training for any volunteers who may come in contact with children or vulnerable adults – lectors, ushers.

*Dinner and training scheduled for Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Ushers/Greeters.*

*First session held for Ushers/Greeters.*

### **50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Church Celebration**

Continue to be leaders and active participants during the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Church celebration through June 2019.

*Continuing through the year.*

### **Continue to address physical improvements for the worship space, large and small, current and newly determined**

Large: sound system, acoustics/ceiling, hearing loop, handicap seating area

Small: railings, door openers for St Paul Plaza doors and restroom doors

*Working on handicap seating.*

*Sound system, ceiling on 2018 Wish List.*

*Proposal for reconfiguring music area.*