

# Saint John the Baptist - Worship Commission

## January 21, 2020 – Minutes

<b>Date:</b>	January 21, 2020	<b>Time:</b>	6:35 pm
<b>Chair:</b>	Pat	<b>Location:</b>	Saint John's
<b>Recorder:</b>	Bonnie	<b>PLC Rep:</b>	Barb

Member/Attendee	Present	Member	Present	Member	Present	Member	Present
Barb	X	Pat	x	Corey	X	Cary	X
Mary Ann	X			James	X	Mary H	A
Michael	X			Jeff	X		
<b>Staff Representative:</b>	Jay						
<b>Guest(s) &amp; Purpose:</b>							

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

### Old Business

#### **Construction updates: choir area reconfiguration, handicap seating, sound system**

- The choir area reconfiguration remodel/ rework should be completed by the end of January or first part of February.
- More interest has been expressed regarding the sound system and ceiling project. Jim Sawyer, as well as others, will be in further discussion regarding these project items.
- The handicap area rework seems to be going quite well.

**Vocations Prayer and Family Prayer in Hymnal** – Jay will meet with Fr. Paul and Fr. Magner.

#### **Getting to know Worship Commissions ministries and missions.**

Jay is the chair for most ministries under the Worship Commission umbrella.

Arts & Environment and Music – Makes sure God's House is warm and welcoming. A place people want to come back to.

Archives – Mary Ann Kaiser – This committee has the important job of preserving the history of St. John's Parish by collecting, organizing, storing and displaying various artifacts.

Perpetual Adoration – Mark Graham

### New Business

**Disciple Maker index Survey** - This tool will provide helpful information the parish seeks to grow and more effectively respond to Christ's invitation to GO. MAKE. TEACH. You are encouraged to complete the survey. Check the parish website and the bulletin for the link.

#### **Discussed the Parish core value of "Willingness to grow".**

We do offer many ways for us personally and for the parish to grow, as for the ministries we offer, such as the greeters, ushers, welcome committee, new parishioner sign-up and welcome. Possible opportunities for further discussion include an endowment fund for worship expenses, a staff position of a communication director. We have many faith formations classes here for all ages with a range of fees for all budgets.

**50th Anniversary Booklets** - Discussed the delivering of the 50th Anniversary booklets. It was suggested commission members could go over the list of names and see if any of the books could be hand delivered. Maybe this could be an evangelizing tool.

# Worship Commission Goals and Accomplishments for 2019-2020

**Mission Statement:** It is the mission of the Worship Commission to provide direction and support for worship ministers and ministries in ways that increase, enhance and encourage active participation in worship by all members of the parish community.

## **Continue Growth of Music Ministry**

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

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.

*Training sessions conducted for EMHC and Lectors. Working to get rest of EMHC and Lectors trained.*

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

Determine ways to improve the aesthetics and worship experience for Mass attendees at liturgies and celebrations in the Church, which is the main connection we have with parishioners.

### **Continue to address physical improvements in the Worship space**

*Choir area and handicapped space addressed and planned for reconfiguration.*

### **Have the parish implement a Worship endowment**

The Worship Commission would like input on how the endowment would be used

### **What would you like your commission to improve upon next year?**

More and better communication with Administrative Services Commission and other commissions as appropriate to understand and appreciate each other's commissions' perspectives.

*Meeting with Administrative Services Commission representatives.*