

Prayer and Worship Committee Meeting Minutes
Monday, January 14, 2019 6:30p – 8.00p

Members – Maureen Arndorfer, Michael Francis, Tom Hansinger, Joyce Malloy, Kay Moen,
Ellen Olson, Mike Shawaluk, Tim Yost
Linda Lou Maltby - temp absence, absent Deacon Allen and Scott Gosse
Vivianne Whitcomb-Council Rep was absent

**We started in Church with a Prayer Service as part of the Respect for Life Novena
Opening Prayer – Michael Francis**

Review / Amend / Approve Minutes - our last meeting December 10, 2018 . Mike S
Moved to approve minutes. Ellen seconded. Minutes were approved

Old Business

Monday December 24, 3:00 PM, at North Lake, Eve Mass (Christmas)

Mike F attended this mass and thought it went well. Ellen's daughter attended in the parish center. She thought it went well. The sound was clear and easily heard. Eucharist in the parish center went well. Communion ministers were sent to Clare Hall and to the choir loft. Over 200 were seated in the parish center (we had planned for 100...ushers quickly got chairs to accommodate the additional people) There were only a few who complained about going to Clare Hall. Some did complain about the plan to omit chairs in the gathering space. Some asked how we could have a 3 pm mass count as a Christmas Eve mass. Staff is currently talking to Greg who does sound for us to see what it would take to put in cabling to help bring sound to accommodate larger overflow. Mike S and Tom asked if wireless live streaming would be an option. The church basement will be considered, but we need to have a fire Marshall in to determine if there are fire hazards.

Monday December 24, 5:00 PM, at Monches, Eve Mass (Christmas)

The 292 that we had at Monches is pretty much capacity.

Tuesday December 25, 9:00 AM, at North Lake (Christmas)

There were open seats at this mass. All the ministries went smoothly.

Monday, Dec 31 4:30 PM, Vigil Mass (Mary, Mother of God) North Lake

Tuesday, Jan 1, 11:00 AM, (Mary, Mother of God) Monches

Attendance at these two masses was a bit more than the usual holidays and less than a usual weekend

Mass Attendance Chart 2012 – 2018, Dec 24 & 25, Jan 01 (2019) is attached to the minutes as a separate attachment.

We really need to consider if we can accommodate the 1243 that attended the three masses. The number of ministers required to support a mass with 734 in attendance was a strain. Putting people into more auxiliary spaces in the parish center (in addition to Clare Hall which had about 260 people-as many chairs as ushers could find) is problematic. Easter is coming soon. Pastoral Council should seriously consider making a recommendation on this. We either need to add another mass or upgrade our ability to handle to overflow. We could send out a survey to see when parishioners like to worship on Christmas and Easter.

New Business

Jan 18 & 19, Eucharist for Life

Jan 26, First Reconciliation for those making First Eucharist in North Lake

Mar 6, Ash Wednesday 8am and 5 pm in North Lake and 7 pm in Monches

Lent: Mary Jo and Kay put together a calendar of Lenten readings and quotes which was passed around to committee members. (See separate attachment with the minutes)

March, Penance Service – details pending

P & W should extend personal invites to individuals to become lay ministers. We are particularly in need of ushers at 4:30 and choir members.

Mike S showed a demo of the program that he uses to schedule ministers. The program has an enrollment form page. It asks prospective ministers for contact information and the ministries they might be interested in. These enrollments would come to Mike for review and he can forward them to the heads of various ministries. We put a link on the parish website and advertise the link in the bulletin. We can also include the link in the electronic newsletter that Roberta sends out. Mike can let Kay know when this is ready to go live so that there can be a announcement made at mass to look for the link. There is an automatic response letter that we can customize. The committee is in favor of doing this. It is recommended that we change the word “enrollment” to “interest”.

Mike S. is the new parish webmaster. All committees need to send minutes to Mike (mike@stteresaofcalcuttaparish.org) for publication on the website. Membership lists for the various committees also need to be updated.

Parish Life working on pre-lent Mardi Gras event (Tuesday, March 5th), looking for extra help. Contact them if you are interested.

Other Issues- Mike F. wonders why there is not access to the readings for the congregation. We would need to purchase Missalettes to have the readings in print. Kay is going to talk to Alan about the possibility of doing this. Mike would be willing to help pay for them.

Feb 11th Meeting Prayer Leader – Ellen Olsen

Closing Prayer –

Prayer and Worship Committee Meeting 2019 dates:

Feb 11, Mar 11, Apr 8, May 13, Jun 10

Sourcebook Readings: 2019

Jan 14, PG 21 – 53, Dec 11 – Jan 13

Feb 11, PG 54 – 66, General Readings Ordinary Time During Winter

Feb 11, PG 67 – 76, Jan 14 – 31

Feb 11, PG 77 – 83, Feb 01 – 11

Days of Interest (Holy Days of Obligation, Special Church Feast Days)

1. March 6, Ash Wednesday (Lent) - 8 AM NL, 5 PM NL, 7 PM M
2. April 14, Palm Sunday
3. April 18, Holy Thursday
4. April 19, Good Friday - stations?
5. April 20, Holy Saturday / Easter Vigil – none at NL or M, at St. Charles
6. April 21, Easter Sunday – 9 AM NL, 11 AM M

NL = North Lake

M = Monches