

**St. Mary of the Hills  
Worship Commission  
Meeting Minutes-September 17, 2016**

Members in attendance: Fr. Stan Ulman, Mary Bomarito, Hugh Buchanan, Holly Foldessy, Dan Greig, Angie Kustasz, and Mary Pat Soisson

**Old Business**

-Prayer Service for SOS-It was requested at the Parish Council meeting by the SOS committee that we handle the prayer service during SOS. The evening prayer service went very well. The sharing and gratitude were evident from the attendees and it is recommended to keep this for next year.

**New Business**

-Documentation updates-Any ministry group who may have roster, schedule or procedural changes should give them to Mary Pat to keep the binder updated.

-Stewardship weekend-Holly will bring the board to the next meeting so any necessary updates may be made prior to stewardship weekend, scheduled for October 22-23.

-Thanksgiving Mass-There will be no Wednesday night mass the day before Thanksgiving. The Thanksgiving mass will be at 9:00 a.m Thursday.

-Speakers during mass-For the next five weeks there are presenters scheduled to speak at mass. The commission feels this is too much and takes away from the integrity of the mass. It was recommended and agreed to by Father Stan that these presentations will be made, in the future, before mass prior to the dismissal of the children. An observation was made that to implement this, we will need to ensure that servers, techs, readers, etc are ready earlier.

-It was noted that the "minute of good news" during mass is becoming a platform for announcements. We need to concentrate on the original intention of parishioners sharing good news with their parish community rather than announcements. Other means should be used to draw attention to the many worthwhile events, fundraisers, sign-ups, etc at the parish.

**Ministry Reports**

-Art and Environment: Holly Foldessy

-Holly will decorate outside the church for the 12/18 choir concert.

-Ushers: Steve Cody (absent)

-No Report

-Altar Servers: Mary Pat Soisson

-New training will be offered the week of the 19<sup>th</sup> for Holy Family and parish servers.

-Media Ministers: Dan Greig

-Dan is working on a job description for a new AV tech/media chairperson. It is hoped that it will be a part-time paid position.

-Prayers of the Faithful Writers: Hugh Buchanan

-Hugh will be looking for some additional writers. Solicitation will be done by word of mouth.

-Ministers of Holy Communion: Diane Ray (absent)

-A training class will be conducted as additional ministers are needed, especially for the Saturday evening mass. It was suggested that this class be held in early November.

-Readers: Tim December (absent-sent report)

-Q4 schedule has been sent out. There are 35 readers in the rotation and new workbooks have been ordered.

-Music Ministry: Dan Greig

-Everything music has started up.

-Dan will be handling the music for Holy Family masses.

-Chorus concert will be Sunday November 13 at 3:00. Help from the Evangelization committee to promote St. Mary of the Hills would be welcome.

-A joint performance by the St. Mary of the Hills Adult Choir and Holy Name choir will be held on 12/18/16.

-Sacristan: Mary Bomarito

-New reserved signs are now available.

-Evangelization Committee: Hugh Buchanan

-No Report

-Budget: Dan Greig

-No Report

Next Meeting is October 15, 2016 at 8:00 a.m.

Minutes submitted by Mary Pat Soisson and Angie Kustasz