

**St. Mary of the Hills  
Worship Commission  
September 16, 2017**

**Old Business:**

- Post-event final comments-Nightfever was well received. There were fewer volunteers for set-up, etc. Consideration should be given to opening the building to accommodate the needs of fireworks attendees.
- Hospitality/Greeters-A sign-up appeal in July yielded a list of about 25 volunteers. We are still in need of a coordinator and 3 mass captains (one per mass time) who can be present on-site most weekends. Beth will check with the volunteer coordinator for possible leads.

**New Business:**

- Our Lady of Fatima devotion will be held October 14<sup>th</sup> with the time to be determined.
- Beginning with the first weekend in November, the 5:00 pm Saturday mass will be changed to 4:00 pm. Communication of the time change will begin in October.
- The Healing Mass will be held December 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm.
- A request was made for groups to submit their schedules and volunteer lists to update the Worship Commission binder.

**Ministry Reports:**

Ushers-Steve Cody (absent-sent report)

- Steve is interested in stepping down as the Usher Coordinator. He has contacted the usher group and the volunteer coordinator in an effort to find his replacement. He is willing to mentor and train the new coordinator.

Evangelization Committee Report-Beth Belesky

- Ideas from "Unleash the Gospel" were discussed at the recent evangelization meeting.
- Careful thought is being given to the organization and implementation of the prayer team program. Beth has a list of interested volunteers. Initially, a couple teams would be available once a month following the 11:00 am mass.

Art and Environment-Holly Foldessy

- Timing for the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of advent and Christmas Eve decorating was discussed. Holly will check with the maintenance director to see if we can use the gym on the 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> for staging and preparation.
- The pastoral team will be meeting this week to discuss the theme for advent. It was suggested the team continue the serial preaching method that was introduced successfully last advent.

Altar Servers-Mary Pat Soisson

- Training for altar servers for both weekend and Holy Family school masses is under way. The new schedule will be available following the completion of training.

Media Ministers-Dan Greig

- Two parishioners have come forward to assist Dan with the implementation of a new media ministers program. A training manual has been created and is currently under review. New wireless projectors will be installed to feed video from the church to the chapel and gym for special occasions.

Mission Statement: To maintain, recruit, and train parish members to support the liturgical efforts of the parish.

-More volunteers are needed for the weekend mass schedule.

#### Music Ministry-Dan Greig

-Five new choir members have been added to the adult choir.

-On November 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm, the All Saints Gospel Celebration will be held in the church and will involve all of the church choirs. Musicians have been arranged and baskets will be available for free will donations. Dan will be directing the Christmas concert involving area churches on December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:30 pm. Also, St. Mary of the Hills will host the Rochester Community Chorus concert on December 17<sup>th</sup>.

#### Prayers of the Faithful Writers-Hugh Buchanan

-The schedule has been completed. Guidelines have been rewritten and approved. Hugh is looking for one more volunteer writer.

#### Readers-Tim December (absent-sent report)

-The 4<sup>th</sup> quarter schedule has been issued. Currently we have 36 readers spread fairly evenly among the three weekend masses. The 2018 Reader Workbooks arrived and will be distributed.

#### Ministers of Holy Communion-Diane Ray (absent)

-A suggestion was made to consider having a "refresher" training before Christmas to help the ministers more efficiently manage the flow and distribution to larger crowds.

#### Sacristan-Mary Bomarito

-The little books for advent have arrived.

-It was noted that some 11:00 am mass attendees are choosing to sit in the chapel despite open seating available in the church.

#### Budget-Dan Greig

-No report

**Next meeting is October 21, 2017 at 8:00 am.**

Minutes respectfully submitted by Mary Pat Soisson.