

MINUTES
PRAYER AND WORSHIP
May 12, 2009

Present: Gayle Bosch, Ruth Gassner, Evie Mather, Diane Vollmer, Mary Wondra, Kathy Ritger, Fr. Tom, Tammy Loos, Jim Vogenthaler

Absent: Sue O'Toole, Mary Hoffmann, Elaine Schabel

Welcome to new member, Jim Vogenthaler.

Old Business:

New Officers, Mary Wondra, Chairman, Diane Vollmer, Secy. Kathy Ritger stepped forward as Vice Chair. Thank you Gayle Bosch for your service to this committee for the past years!

Kathy has made up monthly schedules for the Ministers of Hospitality (ushers). The 4:30 and 8:30 masses have set teams. They will serve for rotating one month time periods. The 10:30 mass schedule is not complete. There were not enough members at the training meeting to get a complete list of names. We will also need more team captains. Name tags need to be made for all Ministers. Changes to the guidelines will be updated. A suggestion was made that the teams meet at least 30 min. before the start of church services. It was decided that the captains schedule any special services with their teams. Example--If they are scheduled for a certain month and there is a holy day or special service during that month, they will get their team together to serve. The responsibility of the captains will be to get any and all information to their teams.

A rosary service sponsored by this committee will take place on May 20th at 7:00 p.m. at St. Mary's church. Jim Vogenthaler will be in charge of the prayer service, and Gayle Bosch has volunteered to play the song selections. The committee has volunteered to help in any way they can. Through this committee, we will also help Jim sponsor a weekly rosary service during the month of October. More information on that will be discussed at our Sept. 2009 meeting.

New Business:

There will be a Memorial Day mass in St. Mary's cemetery, weather permitting.

Spring and Summer activities—July 19th -- outdoor mass—held in Mayville. More discussion to follow at our June meeting.

August -- ice cream social. Date to be decided. The Welcoming committee will handle the social.

Pastor's Report:

An ad has been placed in local papers for a new organist. Information has also been sent to Marian College. No one has submitted their resume as of this writing. Discussion followed. Tammy will be leaving at the end of May. Thanks again, Tammy for all of your hard work and sharing your talents with us! The committee shared a few snacks and presented Tammy with a gift card for her new baby. Good Luck!

Confirmation will take place at St. Andrew's on Sunday, May 24th. A combined choir is practicing for that celebration. There will be 48 confirmands.

Other Business:

Next meeting—June 9 at 7:00 p.m. at St. Mary's.

Goals:

1. Encourage Prayer & Worship members to attend workshops offered by Archdiocese, LARCSWORC and others that will help us to understand liturgy and effectively plan for the seasons.
2. Environment – continue to work on this to make worship space welcoming and enhance worship experience.
3. Music – continue to develop this ministry
4. Youth – look for ways to include youth in liturgy
5. Commissioning of Ministers