

**Catholic Area Faith Community of Jesus Our Living Water  
Area Worship Committee Meeting**

Tuesday, February 4, 2014

7:00 p.m. Church of Our Lady of the Lakes, Spicer

Present: Doug Bernhagen, Tim Cayler, Joan Conway, Larry Fujan , Larry Gunter, Tim Macik, Mary Nordstrom, David Rivers, and Fr. Jerry Paulson

Absent: Terry Brunson, Bev Egge

- I. Opening Prayer – Led by Fr. Steve Verhelst
- II. Recommitment to the Vision
- III. Pastor’s Report

**Committee-specific agenda**

- IV. Review/Approval of Minutes and Agenda (minutes attached from 01/7/14)
  - a. Minutes approved as presented.
  - b. Moved Agenda Item “Lent” from “Future Agenda Items” to the evening’s agenda
- V. Enrichment (nothing at this time)
- VI. Discussion Items
  - a. Evaluate past celebrations/events
    - i. **Christmas** – Concern expressed that maybe the Prelude Music be filled with more songs that the Assembly is invited to sing, since we don’t get to sing all of the traditional Christmas Carols during the Mass.
  - b. Music Sub-Committee Report – Shared the work the committee accomplished during the January meeting: Evaluating Advent and Christmas; Discussed the Area Confirmation Mass (Sunday, February 9 during the 10:30 a.m. Mass at the Church of St. Mary in Willmar), music will be led by an Area Youth Choir Vision Weekend, Mass Settings for Lent will be Mass of Creation (using Memorial Acclamation A – “We Proclaim Your Death”); Began discussing Holy Week.
  - c. Confirmation – February 9, 2014 Church of St. Mary at 10:30 a.m. Mass – there will be 57 students being confirmed; all details for the liturgy are prepared
  - d. Easter Vigil – April 19, 2014 at the Church of Our Lady of the Lakes, Spicer at 8:30 p.m.
    - i. Sub-Committee: Names of individuals that might be interested in being part of the planning committee were given to Fr. Steve Verhelst. Also sought the help of Worship Committee members to be on the committee. Members expressed interest in helping where and when needed.
    - ii. Previous/possible rituals
      1. This will be a task of the Sub-Committee to determine these details
  - e. Additional Ritual Discussion
    - i. Not so much a ritual, but the Area Faith Community will once again be having a Mass recorded that will be played on local TV stations. Masses

were once being recorded at Church of St. Patrick, but that has ended in the past year. Since the Church of St. Mary's also has equipment and trained personal, the recording of Mass will take place at there and be submitted to the local TV stations.

- f. Goals and Objectives – Revisited them to assess progress. Discovered that the committee needs to look at this each time we meet to give focus and direction to accomplishing them by the indicated timelines. Discussed what is happening at each worship site and identified strengths/weaknesses, successes/failures to the goal of “Development of Liturgical Ministers and Worship Committee Members”.
- g. Lent – There will be a Gathering Song with processional, followed by the Introductory Rite/Penitential Act – including the Confiteor and the singing of the Kyrie Eleison, moving into the Opening Prayer (Collect). Liturgical Year A uses very vivid and rich Gospel Readings during weeks 3-5, how these could be used to enhance the liturgy and incorporate the RCIA process by bringing those assembled along on the journey of our RCIA Candidates. Could there be bulletin columns of what is happening each Sunday of Lent with RCIA? Could there be a prayer card made available with the RCIA candidates' names and a prayer that individuals could use?

VII. Future Agenda Items

- a. Easter
- b. Evaluate Confirmation

Next Area Faith Committee Meetings will be Tuesday, March 4, at 7:00 p.m. in Lake Lillian at the Church of St. Thomas More.

Respectfully submitted by Tim Cayler – AFC Director of Music