

**Catholic Area Faith Community of Jesus Our Living Water**  
**Area Worship Committee Meeting**  
Tuesday, May 5, 2015  
7:00 p.m. Church of St. Patrick, Kandiyohi

Present: Terry Brunson, Tim Cayler, Joan Conway, Bev Egge, Larry Fujan, Larry Gunter, David Rivers, Fr. Steve Verhelst

Absent: Doug Bernhagen, Chris Herman, Tim Macik

- I. Opening Prayer – Led by Fr. Steve Verhelst
- II. Recommitment to the Vision
- III. Upcoming AFC events/dates
- IV. Pastor's Report
  - a. Budgets – suggestions/ideas, as it will be presented to the Area Stewardship and Area Pastoral Council for approval
  - b. Year-End evaluation
  - c. Summer Mass Schedule to begin the weekend of June 6 & 7
    - i. Saturday – 4:00 p.m. Church of St. Patrick, Kandiyohi
    - ii. Saturday – 5:00 p.m. Church of Our Lady of the Lakes, Spicer
    - iii. Saturday – 5:30 p.m. Church of St. Mary, Willmar
    - iv. Sunday – 8:15 a.m. Church of St. Thomas More, Lake Lillian
    - v. Sunday – 9:30 a.m. Church of St. Mary, Willmar
    - vi. Sunday – 10:00 a.m. Church of Our Lady of the Lakes, Spicer
    - vii. Sunday – 11:30 a.m. (Spanish) Church of St. Mary, Willmar

**Committee-specific agenda**

- V. Approval of Minutes from April 7, 2015
- VI. Approval of Agenda
  - a. Agenda Items
    - i. Looking ahead – what role can this committee play in the New Evangelization? What would be needed (enrichment) to move forward?
      - 1. Fr. Steve shared that “New Evangelization” is both a helpful and not-so-helpful phrase. Many Bishops are not able to pin-point a definition or understanding of what this is. Suggested that maybe in this AFC it could be providing encounters/opportunities of “conversation leading to conversion.” For example, in John’s gospel, the story of the Samaritan woman at the well and her conversation with Jesus.
      - 2. How do we get people to fall in love with Jesus Christ?
      - 3. How do we become people of radical hospitality?
      - 4. What can we do intentionally that will build community within our pews and congregations?

5. Suggestion to incorporate more into our greeting – more than simply greeting one another, we need to be introducing ourselves to those around us that we don't know. We need to know/use names to build community and acceptance.
  6. Use current resources to teach why this concept is important and to encourage our assemblies to be Jesus to one another.
  7. Faith Formation will be offering “Teaching Masses” in the fall on a Wednesday night. Maybe this committee partner with them to make this more of a church-wide experience, rather than only for Faith Formation families.
  8. What can this committee do this summer to advance these goals?
    - a. Spend time thinking about them, emailing one another ideas or questions, be ready for September to start off immediately.
- ii. Is there an opportunity to bring youth representation on this committee to provide a lens from their perspective?
    1. Terry talked with Christine about this. No action has been decided.
    2. Is the committee ready and willing to listen, hear and act on suggestions that the Youth might bring forth?
  - iii. Ministry Days – target something in the fall of 2015. Is the “Spotlight” idea going forward?
    1. Tim will discuss this with the staff during Staff Days in May and see where this is going.
    2. How can this committee be more helpful in supporting this idea?
  - iv. Budget
    1. No suggestions offered
  - v. Year-End Evaluation
    1. What are we accomplishing?
    2. Have we been helping?
    3. How are we helping?
    4. Our evaluations of events will help future events.
    5. Our goals have helped focus the committee.
    6. Working on the goals
      - a. Appreciation is being shown to volunteers in some of the ministries.
      - b. Need to look at all of the Liturgical Ministries to see about acknowledging the volunteers.
    7. What can the committee do to be more helpful and supportive of the staff?

Adjournment

Next Meeting Date (tentative): **September 8, 2015**, at the Church of St. Mary, Willmar  
Respectfully submitted by Tim Cayler – AFC Director of Music