

**Name of Committee:** Worship Committee

**Date of Meeting:** October 12, 2015

**Members Present:** Cari Schneider, Judy Radtke, Greg Van Winkle, Lee Crooks, Gerry Offenbacher, Jack Brockschlager, Camille Wildes, Dave Sanders, Janine Bamberger  
**Excused:** Judy Kile (Pastoral Council Liaison), Ruth Warner, Liz Kolb  
**Absent:** Mary Ann Davel  
**Visitors from Pastoral Council:** Dan Pilon and Robert Scott (Finance Council); and Father Ken Knippel and Aaron Laskiewicz (Seminarian) (2<sup>nd</sup> half)

### **1. Topics/Issues/Projects/Strategic Plan Initiatives Discussed**

1. **Review minutes** – no changes
2. **Handout 2016 Sourcebooks** (Dave) – Dave reviewed general content of book.
3. **Pastoral Council Report** (Dan/Robert) –Judy Kile was not present. The Worship committee was told that most of the discussion was about the parking lot changes, and the Doors to Our Faith campaign.
4. **Update on Lector Workshop** Sept 21, 2015 (Greg) - 20-23 people attended the workshop. Conclusion: Greg stated that the feedback on the workshop was felt to be “valuable,” though attendance was limited.
5. **Update on Hymnals** (Dave)
  - a. We received enough donations to cover the books and the additional racks (approximately \$25,000), and should still have some money left. Very pleased with the response. Donations ranged from 1 – 100 books. Books are due to arrive 10/13/2015.
  - b. Name plates (1,000) need to be placed in each book. Sign-up sheets were circulated (10/15 & 10/16 from 8-11am and 10/21 & 10/22 from 1-4pm).
  - c. We will begin to use the new hymnals around Nov. 1st.
6. **Update on What’s This subcommittee** (Camille) - Camille mentioned that Liz Kolb has joined the subcommittee and that new members are always welcome. Articles on the Mass will continue until this series is completed.
7. **Update on next ministry Day of Reflection** (Gerry)
  - a. Gerry reported that servers are considering a day of reflection in late Nov. or early Dec. It was suggested that we encourage adult women to become servers. Adult men are assigned for weekday masses only. When men serve at weekend masses, they are there to fill in for missing school age servers. Father Ken suggested that both men and women be invited to

participate as servers. Fr. asked Aaron if he would consider helping out with the server's day of reflection. He said he would.

b. The other ministry considering a Day of Reflection is the Eucharistic Ministers. Liz will report at a later time.

**8. Report on Archdiocese Meeting (Dave)**

a. Cathedral Institute for Liturgy and Music meeting was not as expected. This was run by the Cathedral, not the Archdiocese of Milwaukee which was disappointing to Dave.

b. Mary Ann and Liz are planning to go for the Lent meeting which will be held in Nov.

**9. New initiatives (Camille) - Camille asked if anyone had any ideas on how to improve the worship experience at SJV?**

a. Cari stated that she just loved the handout of the last chapter of the Matthew Kelly book *Four Signs of a Dynamic Catholic* that Camille gave to us to read as an assignment. She wondered how we could get the point across to parishioners. While this book was the one that we handed out last Christmas, unfortunately she has spoken to many parishioners and none of them finished the book. Dave responded that he has spoken to many who have finished the book.

b. Fr. Ken informed the committee that we are planning on distributing another book from *Dynamic Catholic* this Christmas. The consensus of the staff and committee is that whether the books are read immediately or at some other time, it is better for parishioners to have these books as part of their library.

c. There are some steps being taken to help the parish grow in Spirituality – distribution of books at Christmas, new hymnals, Days of Reflection, and a special video on the Mass is planned for the homily on Ash Wednesday.

d. Janine made a suggestion to always include a welcome to visitors. Fr. Ken agreed and said this should happen from here on out. (“Welcome everyone especially those that are visiting”). Dave thought that the cantor's have already been doing this but will make sure they do.

e. Camille encourage those that had not read Chapter 4 from Matthew Kelly's, *The Four Signs of a Dynamic Catholic* to do so.

**2. Next Meeting: Date/Major Agenda Items – Monday, January 11, 2016 @ 6:30pm**

**Respectfully Submitted 11/5/15 by Liz Kolb, SJV Worship Committee Secretary**