

St. Dominic Prayer & Worship Committee

Tuesday, May 13, 2025 – 6:30 PM – Francis Room

Meeting Notes

In attendance: Fr. Nick, Beth Munns, Jo Mlsna, Jeanne Bitkers, Laura Graney, Mary Landgraf, Pam Yoder

Unable to attend: Chris Bierman, Julie Bulkow

Opening Prayer: Laura Graney – **Meeting Chair:** Laura Graney – **Minutes:** Jo Mlsna

Notes from April Meeting were reviewed and approved: Leftover bottles of holy water are at church entrances; Blessing of Mothers done May 10/11 though not a separate one for Expectant parents.

CALENDAR:

Empty Chair reading: for May 24/25 - to begin a few minutes before start of Mass.

Readers & “Taps” players recruited.

Summer Liturgy calendar reviewed: June Outreach Collection to be for Calvary Cemetery; Pentecost Sequence to be sung; Father’s Day Blessing for June 14/15, along with special treat for them being planned by Human Concerns.

Corpus Christi: Fr. Nick would like to see a simple procession to Holy Name with Monstrance after the 5 PM Mass. Would need to have 2 strong Servers to carry the candles that precede it. Possible route discussed. Suggest seeking advice about intersection crossing from public safety office (parishioner Tim Eirich?). Procession would not be held if inclement weather.

Saints Peter & Paul: 5pm Mass of the Vigil; 10:30 Mass of Day; this feast only comes around every 5 years.

EVALUATION:

Divine Mercy Sunday: Was a beautiful liturgy, with involvement of Servers from

Holy Name as well as St. Dominic; Jeanne reminded us that posting names of

youth under age 18 should not include last names; Laura felt as if the far side aisles & choir were not included in the incensing of the congregation – will try to correct in future.

HEADLINES & CONCERNS:

St. Dominic Feast Day plans: Julie Bulkow will again do food, and will need to connect early with Pam Duessing. Jeanne to check with Ann Scharrer with regards to involvement of Welcome Committee. We will make available the 9-day Novena prayers in English and Spanish.

Mass of Hope & Healing: Laura reported that the Mass needs to change to a different month. Fr. Nick suggested October and to rotate the parish.

Sunday evening Mass: Laura asked if this would again be a possibility. Discussion 2 years ago suggested it wouldn't work. Fr. Nick mentioned that if it did happen, it should be a shared responsibility with priests, etc. With the busy lives of our current county priests, it would be a challenge to get them on board.

Anointing of the Sick: Will be held following Saturday's May 17, 5 pm Mass. Will ask Lori B. to put out a special e-mail regarding this.

Hearing Devices: They are not working. The original installer needs to be contacted to evaluate for possible repair. Jo will check on the name.

Little White Books for Easter: It has been requested to check on these books for the Easter season. Will bring up at fall Sheboygan North parish meeting, as well as check on cost of large print books. Question whether we need to continue to seek

donations for the books.

Two hymns for Communion when choir not singing: Beth introduced the idea and several committee members commented they enjoy her just playing music after the first song. Fr. Nick suggested singing a Marian song, such as “Regina Caeli”, during the Christmas & Easter seasons while vessels are being cleansed.

Shout-outs: Dave Leonhard, Ushers

Other topics: Some St. Dominic parishioners are seeking to have St. Dominic alternate with Holy Name for hosting the Easter Vigil. Committee members wondered if we would be able to “do it well”. Holy Name does, especially with the Spanish psalms. It is recommended that we keep the Triduum the same (with St. Dominic hosting Holy Thursday.)

Next meeting: Tuesday, June 10, 6:30 pm. Chairperson: Jeanne Minutes: Pam

The meeting ended with prayer.

Respectfully submitted: Jo Mlsna