

Worship Council Meeting Minutes, August 4th, 2022

In Attendance: Rose Elliott, Mike Stinson, Dan Scheller, Maureen O'Connor, and Molly Gantz.
Absent: Sue Carlson, John Hackley, Philomena Satre, and Chris Angel.

Opening Prayer: Molly

In Honor of the Immaculate Heart

O heart of Mary, mother of God, and our mother; heart most worthy of love, in which the adorable Trinity is ever well-pleased, worthy of the veneration and love of all the angels and of all men; heart most like to the Heart of Jesus, of which thou art the perfect image; heart, full of goodness, ever compassionate toward our miseries; deign to melt our icy hearts and grant that they may be wholly changed into the likeness of the Heart of Jesus, our divine Savior. Pour into them the love of thy virtues, enkindle in them that divine fire with which thou thyself dost ever burn. In thee let Holy Church find a safe shelter; protect her and be her dearest refuge, her tower of strength, impregnable against every assault of her enemies. Be thou the way which leads to Jesus, and the channel, through which we receive all the graces needful for our salvation. Be our refuge in time of trouble, our solace in the midst of trial, our strength against temptation, our haven in persecution, our present help in every danger and especially at the hour of death, when all hell shall let loose against us its legions to snatch away our souls, at that dread moment, that hour so full of fear, whereon our eternity depends. Ah, then most tender virgin, make us to feel the sweetness of thy motherly heart, and the might of thine intercession with Jesus, and open to us a safe refuge in that very fountain of mercy, whence we may come to praise Him with thee in paradise, world without end. Amen.

Check-In.

Dan shared some Uplifting Sidewalk Sermon quotes he saw on his bike ride.

The first to apologize is the bravest.
The first to forgive is the strongest.
The first to forget is the happiest.

Our job is not to change people or to judge people.
Our job is to love people.
The rest is in God's hands.

Agenda Items:

1. Council Weekend (September).
 - 1.1. Discussed available dates. Choose September 17-18th, 2022.
 - 1.2. Discussion on topics to highlight.
 - 1.2.1. Alternative ways to worship:
 - 1.2.1.1. Meditation Trail with resource library of prayers.
 - 1.2.1.2. Wind chime memorial.

- 1.2.1.3. Caroling at Christmas time.
 - 1.2.1.4. Friday Morning Scripture Group.
 - 1.2.2. Laudato Si articles.
 - 1.2.3. Areas the need help include EM, Greeters and Hospitality.
 - 1.2.3.1. Have clip board at table for signing up to help.
- 2. Meditation Trail.
 - 2.1. Mike and Beth planted zinnias and perennial plants on trail. They also added mulch to help reduce watering.
 - 2.2. Plan to add nine bark bushes near fire pit next year.
 - 2.3. Mike to check with Beth on leading bird/plant walks on trail as a learning opportunity.
 - 2.4. Mike suggested Merlin Bird ID by Cornell Lab for bird watching.
- 3. Goals for 2022-2023.
 - 3.1. Ten new families for Hospitality.
 - 3.2. Ways to engage people?
 - 3.2.1. Have a short "Life Celebration" before Mass starts. Have people who are celebrating life events (birthdays, anniversaries, new jobs, etc.) stand up and announce (if desired) what they are celebrating.
 - 3.3. Small groups - Book discussions.
 - 3.3.1. Possible books "A Thinking Catholic" or "Do I Stay Christian" by Brian McLaren.
- 4. STB 32nd Anniversary.
 - 4.1. Would it be possible to have STB musicians give a concert (piano, guitar, etc).
- 5. Prayer for August - Philomena.
- 6. Agenda items for August.
 - 6.1. Congregational music update. (Chris)
 - 6.2. Prioritize ideas for goal.
 - 6.3. Laudato Si article.
 - 6.4. Book on Baptism. (Chris)
 - 6.5. Clean up disc golf course. (Chris)
 - 6.6. Wind Chime Memorial - Put together a project plan, discuss with Fr. Tim and find a designer. (Molly)
 - 6.7. Is it possible to add a water outlet on south side of building?
 - 6.8. Possible bird/plant tours on Meditation Trail. (Mike)
- 7. Check-Out.