

Prayer and Worship Commission Meeting 10/11/2025

Present: Michelle O'Brien, Harry Schneider, Judy Pollard, Amy Ruppert, Althea Burrier, Dave Ransom, Mike Immel, Martha Endejan

The meeting was opened with prayer at 0900.

Agenda Items:

1. New and departing members – Patty King has joined another commission at this time. The Prayer and Worship commission would like to thank Patty for her contributions to the commission's work. She will be missed. Mike Immel has joined the commission. We all welcome Mike and look forward to working with him.
2. Update from Adoration committee: Adoration at Presentation is going well while waiting for renovations at Sacred Heart to be completed. New adorers are being added.
 - a. Rosary Novena – Started 10/03/2025. Rosary said every evening from 6-7 in anticipation of the Rosary Rally
 - b. Rosary Rally – 10/12/2025 at 2pm at St Mary's. Will open with prayer and adoration prior to the procession with the Blessed Mother statue from St Mary's south on Main St to 2nd St, west on 2nd St and north on Macy back to St Mary's. Fr Kirk and Fr Durand will be leading. Crowning of the Blessed Mother in the grotto at St Mary's will follow the procession. At that time, everyone will be invited to return to chapel for closing prayers and fellowship.
 - c. Tentative date for Rosary Rally next year: 10/11/2026. Adoration committee was asked to confirm date with Michelle O'Brien or Eva Dunphy to make sure the rally and activities leading up to it are put on the main Holy Family calendar.
3. New Statues: The Prayer and Worship commission has been asked to make recommendations to the Priest team for statues in several areas

in the chapel of Holy Family. Harry Schneider suggested four areas: the 4 wooden panels (2 on each side of the sanctuary), one beside the video area, one more toward the middle in the back and the wall just north of the reconciliation room. After much discussion, there are some questions that need to be answered.

- a. Would parishioner involvement be invited or will the prayer and worship team be the only ones making recommendations to the priest team? There was much concern about push-back from parishioners if they weren't involved in the decision. There was discussion on how parishioner involvement could be obtained but operationalizing this process was tabled until further guidance from the Priest team on this point is given.
 - b. Statue style or style similar to the stations – The style similar to the stations was preferred by most members of the commission especially once some of the damage to current statues due to sunlight was reported.
 - c. Would all the statues be purchased at the same time or over a period of time?
 - d. Color or neutral.
 - e. Suggestions currently:
 - i. The four panels nearest the sanctuary: The four Gospel writers
 - ii. The area nearest the video area: St Carlo Acutis
 - iii. The area more toward the middle in the back: St Pope John Paul II, Sts Peter and Paul, Blessed Solinus Casey
 - iv. The wall just north of the reconciliation room: St John Vianney, St Padre Pio, St Anthony, Mary Magdalen, St Faustina
 - v. Continued discussion will be needed.
4. New Mass settings: The Mass of Renewal has been well received. We will continue to use it until Advent. The song sheets will be collected at that time.

5. Lector training: Has been set for 11/13/2025. This training is for current and new lectors. Deacon Dale will be helping with the training. This year will focus on providing general pointers with all lectors committing to this ministry for the next year. It will be live streamed and recorded for those who cannot attend.
6. Other business: New hand towels for the sacristy are needed at Holy Family
7. Next meetings: 01/17/2026, 04/11/2026

The meeting was closed with prayer at 10:25.

Respectfully submitted:

Martha Endejan