

## Worship Commission Meeting

May 1, 2014

Meeting opened with Prayer by Fr. Craig Carolan

Present were Fr. Craig, Gen Kondziolka, Stan Kondziolka, Doris Wisneski, Ken Wisneski, Sr. Judy, Verna Murawski

In attendance were Jane Wyatt having surgery. Please keep her in prayer. Jane suggested that we begin asking around for a sacristan(s) to take care of duties while she is in recovery.

Agenda: Evaluation of Holy Week. Discussed was the role of the Paschal Candle at the Easter Vigil. A new Paschal Candle was needed for funerals at St. Mary's. Confusion centered on the fact that the old one was blessed at the Easter Vigil and not the new one. This conflict was not anticipated. Fr. Craig indicated that the new one was blessed by the fire even though it did not receive the nails in the beginning. This was an issue to improve on in the future given the newly merged parish. Discussion was held on the Tabernacle light on Good Friday. There was confusion as to whether to genuflect or not. Blessed Sacrament is normally not in church on Good Friday and is usually kept in the sacristy.

On Mother's Day there will be a blessing of all mothers. Flowers to be given out to mothers.

May 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM will be a practice for the seven First Communion candidates and their parents. First Holy Communion Mass will be held at 10:30 AM in Port Austin. Fr. Craig suggested that children receive on the tongue for the first time until they are older. Catechists explained that there was not sufficient time to train them since children are accustomed to follow the practice of their families. First Communion offers an opportunity for catechesis on the proper way of receiving Holy Communion in the hand. Children will light candles for profession of faith and place them near the altar. After Mass, there will be a reception in the parish center.

Graduation Mass will be held on Sunday, June 1, 2014 at 10:30 AM in Port Austin. Members of the class will process in and take part in all of the liturgical ministries. Regular ushers might be needed for guidance.

Pentecost is Sunday, June 8<sup>th</sup> and is Fr. Craig's 23<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary of Priesthood. Images of red tongues of fire will be passed out to the people. Put Fr. Craig on prayer intention list. More discussion to come.

Father's Day is June 15<sup>th</sup>. There will be a blessing of all fathers at Mass and a small gift given to them at the closing.

Solemnity of the Lord's Body and Blood is Sunday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>. Sr. Judy would check into the possibility of passing out bread to the people which will be blessed by Fr. Craig.

On Sunday, June 28-29, Dcn. Faebel and wife will be coming from the Diocese of Lexington, KY, a poor mission diocese to preach the annual Cooperative Mission appeal.

RCIA News: Denee Lopez will go through the Rite of Election on May 4<sup>th</sup> 10:30 AM Mass.

Vacations July 22-30, 2014: Both Fr. Craig and Sr. Judy will be out at that time.

An item of interest not mentioned at this meeting was that Fr. Craig will celebrate Memorial Day Mass on Monday, May 26<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 AM in Port Austin.

Next Meeting will be on September 3, 2014 at 7:00 PM in Port Austin.

All prayed a closing prayer.