



## GOOD SHEPHERD CATHOLIC CHURCH

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**PARISH MISSION STATEMENT:** *Good Shepherd is a Christian, caring community, nourished by a joyful, spirit-filled liturgy that inspires our lives. We strive to welcome, accept, and love all people as they are, and through our ministries, reach out with active concern to those in need.*

### **Commission:** Prayer and Worship Commission-**Minutes**

**COMMISSION MISSION STATEMENT:** *CREATING FULL, ACTIVE AND CONSCIOUS PARTICIPATION BY THE ASSEMBLY LEADING TO A DEEPER EXPERIENCE OF GOD IN WORSHIP*

#### I. **Meeting Details:**

- A. **Meeting Date:** December 13, 2021; Chair: Randy/Judy
- B. **Meeting Time:** 7:00 - 9:00 PM
- C. **Time Allotted:** 90 Minutes
- D. **Meeting Location:** Zoom Meeting  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83682514135?pwd=OEZoRTdpSGp3aUpZY2ZlcEVbV0Fvdz09>; Meeting ID: 836 8251 4135; Passcode: 584982
- E. **Present:** Sr. Joann Julka, Randy Ellis, Judy Zunk, Carol Deming, Lisa Nimmer
- F. **Excused:** Mike Marking
- G. **Minutes taken by:** Carol
- H. **Opening Prayer Leader:** (7:00 PM led by Sr. Joann)

#### II. **Formation/Agenda:**

- A. Formation: Deferred
- B. Report – Parish Council Representative: Lisa

The Pastoral Council welcomed Patrick Young to the Council at the December meeting. He will pick a Commission to be a liaison for at the next PC meeting in January. Joan Plumley and Mary Ann Erdtmann from the Racial Justice Ministry presented a proposal to begin a twinning relationship between Good Shepherd and St. Martin de Porres, a predominately African American parish in Milwaukee. A group from the ministry has attended Mass at St. Martin's and they showed interest in a relationship, and Joan also spoke to the Human Concerns Commission at Good Shepherd who supported the idea. The Pastoral Council will discuss it further at the January meeting and come to a consensus about whether to support this initiative. The Mission Planning Team is planning two listening sessions to take place in January/early February to hear from young families and "mature" families regarding their experiences with the church and what needs and/or concerns they may have. The idea is to encourage more participation in church for our younger families, with the hope that older families can provide encouragement and mentorship. We want to grow and learn together on our faith journey. Commissions will also be asked to focus on young families when planning programs and opportunities for participating in Parish life.

Town Hall meetings: Wednesday, Jan. 26 via zoom  
Sunday, Jan 30 in person, after the 9:30 Mass

- C. Advent 2021—any further discussion? Response to use of gestures

Almost everyone participates. Parishioners seem to like doing the gestures.

**D. Evening Prayer—any further discussion? Attendance at Evening Prayer**

A few people attended that were from St. James. There were approximately 11 people in attendance at each service but not the same people each time. There are a few conflicts for the December 19<sup>th</sup> service.

**E. Advent Mission: Gift of Sundays, Dec 1—In-church attendance, live-stream and recorded views**

So far as of this meeting there have been 112 views on the recorded service and 98 in-person participated at Good Shepherd. Many were impressed by Bishop Haines homily. It was a good mission to attend or view.

**F. Christmas Eve, Day; Feast of Holy Family; Feast of Epiphany—any further discussion?**

It seems we have enough people signed up from the Ushers, Communion Ministers, Acolytes, etc. for all the masses. Jan 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> will be regular Saturday and Sunday Masses, so no signups were needed.

**G. PWC meetings in 2022—Zoom meetings until Carol returns from FL; set calendar meeting dates**

Will discuss at our March Zoom meeting when we want to meet in person again as Carol will be back in April.

**III. Ministry Reports**

- A.** Acolytes – training an acolyte for funeral coverage – Judy will be sending out sign up for Jan, Feb., March but January 1-2 is covered.
- B.** Communion Ministers – new member(s) – Need more participates for Christmas but do have Captains.
- C.** Readers – Meriel has regularly resorted to follow up requests to fill gaps in the readers schedule; but it would be preferred that this would not be necessary.
- D.** Ushers – People were signing up.
- E.** RCIA – status of candidate – younger person is going to GOF, Sr. Joann will follow up.
- F.** LARCUM – not currently meeting as a group
- G.** Music Ministry – Joan Plumley and Alex Grieb have joined.

**IV. Results**

- A.** Parishioners Served by Ministry to Date:
- B.** Budget

- 1. Budget to Date:
- 2. Expenses to Date:

**V. Requests/Suggestions/Feedback Received:**

**VI. Open Discussion:**

**A.**

**VII. Evaluate the Meeting:**

- A.** What was done well that we should continue?

- 1.

- B.** What could we do differently to improve the meeting?

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VIII. **Next Meeting Details**

A. **Meeting Date:** January 10, 2022; Chair: Randy/Judy

B. **Meeting Time:** 7:00 – 9:00 PM

1. **Time Allotted:** 90 minutes

C. **Meeting Location:** Zoom

D. **Agenda:**

1. Next formation article for discussion:

2.

E. **Next Steps to be taken Before the Next Meeting:**

IX. **Closing Prayer:** Our Father

X. **Important Dates to Remember:**

➤ Commission Meeting Dates

January 10, 2022

February 14, 2022

March 14, 2022

April 11, 2022

May 9, 2022

June 13, 2022

July 11, 2022 (possible summer break)

August 8, 2022 (possible summer break)

September 12, 2022

October 10, 2022

November 14, 2022

December 12, 2022

➤ Parish Event Dates

➤ Advent Evening Prayer: Nov. 28, Dec. 5, 12, 19, 6:00 p.m.

➤ CHRISTMAS Eve/Day MASSES

○ Friday, Dec. 24, 4:00 p.m. Mass; 6:30 p.m. Mass

○ Saturday, Dec. 25, 9:30 a.m. Mass

○ NO Saturday evening Mass on the 25<sup>th</sup>

➤ Feast of the Holy Family: Sun. Dec. 26, 9:30 a.m. Mass

➤ NO MASSES for the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God (Dec 31/Jan 1)– NOT a holyday of obligation.

➤ Feast of the Epiphany Masses: Sat. Jan. 1, 4:30 p.m. Mass

Sun. Jan. 2, 9:30 a.m. Mass

➤ NO Lessons and Carols on Sunday, January 2

➤ Town Hall meetings: Wednesday, Jan. 26 via zoom, time TBD

Sunday, Jan 30 in person, after the 9:30 Mass