MINUTES SPIRITUAL LIFE & WORSHIP COMMITTEE February 13, 2024

<u>Present</u>: Fr. Ed, Debby Wondra, Evie Mather, Marilyn Steger, Margie Cramer,

Aaron Hartwig

Excused: Diane Vollmer, John Schuller

Old Business:

Lenten Booklets were handed out and only 20 are left at St. Theresa and St. Mary.

Special projects for Lent: Tom Schuessler is presenting a "dynamic program on Eucharist" four Mondays of Lent at 6:00 PM. Pre Registration is requested.

New Business:

We have enough ashes this year but may have to purchase them next year. Ruth and Jerry Gassner will not be burning the palms for ashes in the future.

Lenten decorating is done.

Tom Schuessler's Lenten Sessions have been listed in the bulletin and will begin February 20.

Minister Schedules for Holy Week are complete.

Palm Sunday: 2 altar servers are sufficient. There will be no outside procession. Fr. will bless the palms in the back and then bless the congregants throughout the church with the whisk. Fr. Van Beek will preside in St. Theresa.

Holy Thursday: Debbie will check with Fr. Justin to see if he will be picking up the Holy Oils. Individuals will process in with the oils. Individuals have been contacted to arrange for members of the parish to come forward for washing of the feet.

Good Friday: We will meet again before Holy Week and details of all the services will be gone over with Fr. Ed.

Holy Saturday Vigil Mass: There will be no Baptisms. Readings 1, 3 & 5 will be read (not all 9). Members from St. Theresa (Roy or Eileen) and St. Andrew will process out with their respective church Paschal candles.

Easter Sunday: Simple services with sprinkling rite <u>after homily.</u> The sprinkling rite will take place only on Easter Sunday and Pentecost. The Sequence will be sung.

Anointing of the sick: Will take place twice per year but dates were not determined at this time.

Pastor Report: None today

Parish Council Report: Was emailed and members had time to read it.

Other Business: Aaron Hartwig joined the meeting and expressed interest in joining the SL&W Committee. Liturgy and what it involves is something he wanted become more familiar with. We welcome him - a younger voice and another perspective would be appreciated

Next Committee Meeting: Tuesday, March 12, 2024 at St. Andrew Church after the 8:00 AM Mass.