Worship Commission Meeting Thursday October 15, 2015

Attendance: Fr. David Mowry, Tom Kaiser, David McCaffrey, Lucy Milar, Peg Cello, Joyce Callahan and Mary Lou Rafferty.

Faith Sharing: Lucy led a well researched spirited discussion on St. Maria Goretti.

Minutes: Minutes from September were updated to include firm date for Ecumenical Prayer service on January 19, 2016 and that commitment of participation received from Spirto Singers.

Parish Council: Fr. David shared four (4) new members have joined the parish council and that Matt Pozen would be leading discussion for Leadership night this coming Monday night (October 19) on Foundations of Mercy.

Discussion on Ecumenical Prayer Service:

* Will be held in IC Church Tuesday January 19 at 7 PM
* Four neighborhood churches plus Elmhurst College invited to participate
* Sub committee led by Tom Kaiser developing further details.

Family Prayer Service: plans were finalized for second and last Prayer Service during Year of Family scheduled for October 27, 2015.

Christmas Caroling: After discussion, it was agreed caroling would be held in front of Church on Saturday, December 12, after the 5:15 Mass. Items to decide:

* Location of tree
* songs to be sung
* refreshments
* possibility of ICCP or York HS choirs to participate
* Publicize in Christmas mailer.

Advent planning: Create Advent insert for December newsletter to include updated weekly Advent activities on website as well as link to Dynamic Catholic to “have the best Advent ever” program.

Thanksgiving Day Mass at 7:30: Assurance by City that access will be provided prior to street closings for Turkey Trot

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Year of Mercy discussion: IC has been designated by Bishop Conlon as one of the ‘pilgrimage churches’ of the Diocese for the Year of Mercy beginning on Dec 8, 2015.

* Desire is to make less parish specific and more inclusive.
* Suggestions included a ‘pilgrimage church card’ available to visiting pilgrims with info on our church and weekly bulletin inserts for awareness.
* There will be a 24 hour day of confession during Lent’

Next WC meeting is scheduled for Monday night, November 16, 2015.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:55 PM