Committee Reports for March 9, 2023 Parish Council Meeting

Worship Committee Meeting:

Minutes from Worship Committee Meeting on February 28th, 1:00 p.m.

1. Ash Wednesday went well at the churches:

St. Francis Solanus Church Mass at 8:30 a.m. 45-46 in attendance

Holy Cross Church Ash Wed. Service. 12:00 p.m. 50+

St James Church Ash Wed. Service 7:00 p.m. 25-26

2. Lent

Stations of the Cross:

At St. Francis on Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m with Benediction following.

At Holy Cross on Thursdays at 6:00 p.m. with soup supper following.

Confession during Lent will be:

Monday, March 27th, at St James 6:30-7:30

Tuesday, March 28th, at Holy Cross 6:30-7:30

Friday, March 31st, at St. Francis 6:30-7:30

3. Easter Triduum

Holy Thursday Mass, commemoration of the Last Supper of Jesus Christ — will be at St. James - 7:00 p.m.

At the end of Mass there will be a procession with the Blessed Sacrament to the Pine Room and then, for

those who wish to stay, Adoration and private prayer until 9:00 p.m.

Good Friday — Passion of Our Lord at Holy Cross — 3:00 p.m

Stations of the Cross at St James — 7:00 p.m.

The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night (Holy Saturday) at St Francis—8:00 p.m.

Easter Sunday Masses: 9:00 a.m. St James

10:30 a.m. Holy Cross

- 4. Music ministry at the churches is going well.
- 5. We discussed Easter decorations and thought the 3 churches have it covered.

6. Receiving the Blessed Sacrament.

Beginning on Holy Thursday the Blessed Sacrament will be offered under both species. The parishioners will be able to receive both the Body and Blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

7. Meeting for Eucharistic Ministers.

There will be meetings for all Eucharistic Ministers on March 18th at St. James at 11:00 a.m. and March 25th at Holy Cross at 11:00 a.m. Each EM should attend one of the scheduled meetings.

Fellowship Committee report:

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Witness Committee Update:

The Witness Committee did not recently meet, however there was the bulletin announcement regarding the card ministry two weeks ago when a recipient of the cards thanked the parish for those remembering her.

Also, Eileen Heptig let me know that our Parish collected \$806 for SouperBowl Sunday and that it would be split it 3 ways, so each pantry will receive \$269.00.