

St. Edith Worship Commission
Meeting Minutes November 12, 2025

Fr. Jim opened the meeting with prayer at 7:02 pm.

In Attendance: Fr. Jim McNulty, Mike Magoulick, Laurie Rizzolo, Donna DeFavero, Joe Rashid, Heather Shina by telephone, Cindy Coleman, Gary Kudron, Zelma Isele.

Not Present: Cheryl Burford, Jane DeRoo, Al Rivard, Linda Bodnar.

The Worship Commission will not meet in the month of December 2025. The next scheduled meeting date is January 14, 2026.

Art & Environment: Cindy Coleman reported that All Souls Day went well, attendance was good. The company making crosses for the deceased went out of business. A new company has been picked. The crosses will be the same with a new cost of \$2.44 each. Evergreen material for the pots will stay at the same price as last year. Roseanne will take care of the pots. New ribbons will be required for the Advent and Christmas decorations. Poinsettia prices will stay the same as last year. Advent decorations will be set up on Nov 24, 2025. Cheryl is sending out the info for Advent decorating. New larger candles for the Advent Wreath were purchased. After consultation with Bob Calleja a screw will be used to secure them.

Sacristans: Joe Rashid reported the Sacristans for Christmas Masses are: 4pm Warren Nakamura, 6:30pm Craig Procopchak, 12 Midnight Al Rivard, 10am Trisha Watson. Attendance at the Mass for the Unborn was low; next year, we plan to improve our advertising efforts.

Ushers: Mike Magoulick advised that two ushers were attending a meeting tonight at the Livonia City Hall regarding security and taking notes.

Lectors: Linda Bodnar reported by email that next week she will train a new lector bringing the active roster to 28. The next schedule should be out by Thanksgiving. There are already volunteers for the Christmas Masses, 4pm still has a vacancy. Fr. Jim advised that December 8 is a Holy Day of obligation, the children will have the school mass at 9am and there will be evening mass at 7pm where a lector and sacristan will be needed. January 1, 2026, New Years Day, is a Holy Day of obligation. The Vigil Mass will be held at 5pm on December 31, 2025, New Years Eve, and on January 1, 2026, New Years Day, Mass at 11am. Lectors and Sacristans need to be scheduled for the New Year Masses.

Parish Council: Donna DeFavero reported that Christian Service will put up the Giving Tree before the week of Thanksgiving. There will be giving to various charities this year. That Grief Share with Fr. Jim was well received. Housing is hard to assist with and was discussed with Patti Kelly.

Altar Servers: Zelma Isele reported that there were 5 children that attended the training this past week. Jan 24-25, 2026, another training will be scheduled. They don't use the sign-up genius as much. That smaller cassocks were needed. Cindy will check with Pat Gawlik about alterations. Fr. Jim advised that it was okay to have 4 servers.

Adoration: Laurie Rizzolo reported that adoration is growing slowly in attendance. Adoration time was posted on the street sign in front of church.

Music Ministry: Heather Shina reported the Children's Choir sang last Sunday and did a great job. St. Cecilia has a Music Festival in Greektown coming up. The Holiday Choir will be participating. There will be a blessing for musicians this weekend and deceased choir members will be remembered in Prayers of the Faithful. Josie Niemiec was one of only two people awarded a music scholarship. One person was added for handbells and adult choir and a new violinist. Christmas Concert is December 14, 2025, at 3:30pm. Rita Douglas is helping with the Advent Theme Song. A xylophone has been obtained. The organ will be tuned for Christmas. We are working hard to get ready for Christmas.

Bereavement: Gary Kudron reported that Grief Share has in the past had picnics and fish fry group meetings, a new group will meet for a spaghetti dinner in December. The Surviving the Holidays was well received, and another group will be starting in January. We are gaining new Catholic and Parish Members from the program.

Fr. Jim: Reconciliation Services for Christmas are not scheduled for St. Edith. Services are scheduled for St. Kenneth and Our Lady of Victory, dates and times will be published. December 13, 2025, Saturday, after the 5pm Mass the ornament tree decorating will be held in the chapel. The chapel wall will be closed for the 5pm Mass and the chairs will be turned. The wall will be opened at the conclusion of the 5pm Mass. Will use Fr. Jim Scheick's chalice for Advent. Ushers will be needed for the Christmas Concert. The School is in the process of hiring a security guard. Discussion followed. Gary inquired about lighting behind the church parking lot across from Villa Marie. Fr. Jim will follow up with Bob Calleja.

The meeting concluded at 8:03pm with the Our Father led by Mike Magoulick.

With grateful help and notes from Mike Magoulick,

Respectfully submitted by Joe Rashid