

Liturgy Committee Meeting Minutes **April 8, 2015**

Committee members present: Cari Higgins, Father Larry Hoffman, Kathy Lickteig, John McPherson and Gary Olson.

This meeting opened with a prayer. The minutes from the previous meeting were approved.

Ministry Reports

Servers: Father Larry indicated the need for additional servers and will try and do some recruiting/training tentatively this Fall.

Eucharistic Ministers; No report

Hospitality/Cross Bearers: There was feedback from recent Masses where chairs were set up partially or completely blocking some of the aisles. As this is a safety issue, John will send an email to Hospitality Ministers asking them to keep the aisles clear. Also, Fr Hoffman has suggestions for setting up chairs in the Narthex to address overflow. This will also be sent to Hospitality Ministers.

Lectors/Commentators; No report.

Music: Cari Higgins updated the committee on the below masses

Communications: No report.

Environment: Thank you to Environment for their work during Holy Week and making the church beautiful for Easter weekend.

Previous Events

Palm Sunday: There was a shortage of palms during Palm Sunday (and Saturday) masses. Fr Hoffman will look to ordering additional palms for 2017.

Holy Thursday: Blessed Sacrament was transported to the narthex for adoration following mass.

Good Friday: Mass was simple and straightforward; no issues.

Holy Saturday: Fr Hoffman described it as the “perfect environment”. Close to 150 in attendance as we welcomed 4 people to the church.

Easter Sunday: Attendance was in excess of 700. 200 chairs, plus bleachers were used in the gym with video.

Upcoming masses

Confirmation: April 24, 9:00 mass & the Bishop is expected to be there.

First Communion: May 1st and this will be a separate 11:00 AM Mass.

Ascension Mass: celebrated on the weekend, May 8th

May Crowning Mass – May 8, first communicants will be asked to bring flowers forward to Mary prior to mass starting

Other Items

There was discussion regarding a pilgrimage commemorating the Year of Mercy on May 15. Fr Hoffman will work with church officials at the various Holy Door locations in order to arrange them being open for our pilgrimage. Additional information will follow.

A 3rd Mass was discussed and appears possible. Fr Hoffman indicated we could discuss this further this Fall; September perhaps. It also appears we would have a 3rd Mass for Easter celebration 2017.

Kathy Lickteig is working on the Liturgical budget for 2017. There was discussion about including choral songbooks in items needing to be purchased.

There will be a wine & cheese party after Mass this Saturday evening.

Next meeting: May 5, 2016 @ 7:00 p.m.