

**St. Luke's Liturgy Committee "May" Meeting  
April 30, 2020**

**Opening Prayer** – Father Ken opened with prayer and at 7:18pm the meeting called to order

**Zoom attendance:** Fr. Ken, Deacon Fred, Mike Otis, Cari Higgins, Dana Bastian, Gary Olson, Karen Bishop, Kyle Curran

**Latest announcement from Des Moines Diocese (4/28/20)**

Guidelines during COVID-19 epidemic –The four Iowa bishops maintain liturgical restrictions to protect the vulnerable from the dangers of COVID-19 even though Governor Reynolds has declared churches may open this first weekend of May.

**St. Luke's Timeline as social distancing began –**

March 15 – daily Masses were cancelled

March 18 – Adoration/Reconciliation from parking lot

March 22 – First livestreamed Mass (no music) 986 views!

March 24 – Daily Masses begin livestreamed (174 views)

March 29 – Musicians added, making sure no more than 10 people total in church

**What Livestreaming looks like for St. Luke's**

St. Luke's is currently livestreaming 8:30 AM Sunday Mass – about 200 views

Daily Masses, Tuesday, Thurs and Friday at 11:30 AM, 75-125 views

Daily Mass on Wednesday is 8:30am.

Reconciliation is offered weekly in parking lot or in classroom if raining

**Recap of Holy Week (Views are Facebook and YouTube)**

**Palm Sunday Mass** – 659 views

**Distribution of palms & money collection** – (thanks Mike & Mary Otis/Karen Bishop) \$11,000 collected

**Holy Thursday** – 395 views

**Good Friday** – 411 views for 3:00 pm service

**Easter Vigil** – 524 views

**Easter Sunday Mass** - 683 views

**Divine Mercy Sunday Chaplet**– 402 views

**Reconciliation** is going well in the parking lot. Father will keep this going for May. The 2 times will stay the same. Attendance was heavier during lent.

**Best Quote Award – "This was the lentiest lent we ever lented"**

**Fr. Ken's internet reflection talks – 150+ views** (March 20 to explain livestream Mass [283], Triduum talk, 1<sup>st</sup> Communion reflection)

**From Fr. Ken's Quill** – these are great on FB. These will be loaded every Saturday morning going forward.

## May- Month of Mary

**Consecration to Mary:** Another service is tomorrow, May 1<sup>st</sup> at 2pm. This goes along with the US and Canadian Bishops announcement. They will be renewing the country's consecration to Mary and to seek the intercession of Mary, Mother of the church for strength in the struggle against Covid-19.

**Ascension** – Thursday, May 21<sup>st</sup>. This has moved to Sunday, May 24 in our Diocese so it won't be a holy day for us.

**Pentecost Sunday** – May 31 – colors changed to red. New altar cloth is in the reconciliation room cabinets.

**Other** - Father was in a meeting on 4/28/20 to plan what will happen once we open.

Father Ken will be able to do confirmation and not worry about the Bishop's schedule. Confirmation and 1<sup>st</sup> Communions will be scheduled once open. A lot will depend on rules and church capacity rules.

Discussed how we get helpers for Masses. No Precious Blood for a while. Hospitality will need to count people most likely. We will also have to wipe down everything.

Kyle asked about a better set up for cameras for Masses. Stream from church to gym? He will check around to see what might be available. Possibly getting a video capture device would make a difference. Delays could happen with responses between the 2 locations.

Gary asked if somehow, we could get the kids involved in Masses. We discussed home set ups that could help. Setting up altars with candles.

Meeting ended at 7:50pm

**Next meeting- TBD**