

## **Liturgy Meeting Minutes**

October 13, 2022

Attending: JoAnn Farabaugh, Chris Francis, Julie Francis, Jerry Byrne, Tammy Simons, Andrew Graf, Sandy Nance

Julie opened with a prayer at 6:31.

### **Old Business**

**Nocturnal adoration** - October's adoration went well. All hours were covered. Next month's sign up is out and ready. It is scheduled for November 4th & 5th.

**Sunday Rosary** - The Rosary Team is doing a great job. 9:20 may be a little early for some. After discussion, we decided for now to keep it at 9:20. It seems to help with parishioners arriving earlier.

**Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help** - The novena is going very well. Some people are coming to daily mass on Wednesday just for that. Father has provided all the necessary materials.

**October Month of the Rosary** - The fundraiser got off to a good start. \$310 has been collected so far. We have one more weekend to sell and then again at the picnic before the drawing.

**Christmas Decor** - Sandy will get the Advent wreath, the candles have been ordered and GERALYN is ready to freshen up the wreaths. The first week of Advent is the weekend after Thanksgiving. Andrew will change out the linens and banners Saturday, the 26th. Jerry will assist him and get the Christmas wreaths to GERALYN to make sure they look good. We would like to be able to decorate the week before Christmas, on the 18th. We just need Father's approval.

### **TEAM updates**

**Altar Servers** - We now have three volunteers for Saturday and five for Sunday. Training needs to be scheduled.

**Flowers** - Kim reported to Sandy that we are being charged a delivery fee. Sandy called the florist and there is no longer a fee. Some people aren't following up on paying for flowers ordered. Sandy will work with Kim to word something in the bulletin to say that one must prepay for flowers. It was suggested that those who failed to pay may just need a reminder.

**Lectors** - Training for EMs, Lectors and Sacristans is scheduled for October 29th at 10:30.

**Music** - No report. Andrew inquired if there was a backup plan for when both musicians are out of town. There is a plan for using recorded music on the piano, but this rarely happens. The choir could use more members. The Ministry Fair is scheduled for November 12th & 13th. However, it was decided that we will invite parishioners to join the choir from the ambo since practice for Lessons and Carols has begun. Tammy will start a Google doc with Julie to create a short promo speech for this weekend (10/14&15).

### **New Business**

**Installation mass** - This will be a Saturday in December. The bishop will visit and Julie would like the whole choir to be there. Andrew will make sure all the other positions are filled for the mass. There is a form to fill out for the diocese and we will know more after that is processed.

**Book of the Dead / All Saints / All Souls** - Ann Sweet has already added the names of parishioners who died this past year. The Book of the Dead doesn't go on the altar until All Souls' Day. Julie suggested having a nice journal out to have people write the names of deceased loved ones and family throughout the year. There was discussion about having daily mass on a feast day and the evening mass on the Vigil instead of the night of the feast day as in the past. Most members liked this idea. Julie will check with Father immediately to see what his preference is.

**Lessons and Carols** - We need to start promoting this. It was recommended to have a detailed flyer and advertise on the sandwich board. Andrew will ask Kerry to send it out to area pastors through email and can assist with getting it out on other media. Tammy will work on the flyer.

**Parish Picnic** - The music is taken care of. Andrew will take care of liturgical logistics.

**Open Forum -**

Parishioners at the book study said they have been to another parish where Gregorian chant was played in the background to create a more peaceful and reverent atmosphere before mass. We will start this on Saturday nights and get feedback. We will revisit the topic at the next meeting. Julie will start the music when she gets there and confessions have started. Sundays are a little more problematic since the rosary is going on and the choir doesn't get to the loft until much later.

The meeting was closed with prayer at 7:25.

Submitted by ,  
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