Liturgy Committee Meeting May 11, 2023

Attending: Father Ongen, Sandy Nance, Chris Francis, Julie Francis, Tammy Simons, JoAnn Farabaugh

Old Business

Adoration - It's going well overall, however there are often blank spots especially during the early morning hours. Suggestions were offered. We should encourage participation of men at these times since the women are uncomfortable coming at those hours. We might need to make people aware that there are many spots being filled by multiple people but many are not signing up. Father will make an announcement.

Our Team

<u>Altar Servers</u> - Julie would like to invite Duane to take over this ministry since she needs to decrease her obligations. JoAnn will bring it up at the Women's Club meeting. Father will promote the need for more altar servers.

<u>Flowers -</u> Mother's Day is covered by the Women's Club. Father's Day is covered. Everything is going well.

<u>Lectors</u> - Andrew reported that the schedule is working well. There are eight people who have expressed interest in lecturing so we will schedule a training. Julie also wants a training for Sacristans. We need a book on pronunciation of biblical words for the lectors. Julie will get one.

<u>Music</u> - We have a new choir member. There was discussion about getting rid of the organ to allow more room for our growing choir. There was also speculation about starting a youth choir in the future.

<u>Sacristans</u> - Jerry has stepped down from Liturgy. Andrew volunteered to head up the Sacristan ministry.

Budget - The Sacristan head will assist Julie with budgeting. Julie will track our inventory of liturgical supplies. She is working on setting protocols so that items are not being ordered unnecessarily. Andrew will change the sanctuary candle every other Sunday because it is being changed too often. All purchasing of liturgy items should come through Julie instead of Kim.

New Business

Survey - It was requested that daily mass be changed to an earlier time. Julie feels we need a survey to consider this. It was also recommended we add a question about an additional mass on Sunday. Everyone agreed to conduct a survey. It will be ready this weekend.

Ascension of the Lord - It will be celebrated on Sunday, May 21st.

Pentecost - The colors will be changed to red. There are no banners. Three flower arrangements will be ordered in red, yellow and orange. The Paschal candle will be put away before Pentecost.

Father Ongen - Father wants to remind the altar server to get the hosts from he ciborium and it must be an adult server. He announced that we are returning to reception of communion in both species. It will be begin on Pentecost Sunday. We need three Extraordinary Ministers. We will have only one cup on each side for now. Andrew will make sure we have everything we need for this. Training is recommended beforehand. It will have to be announced this weekend that the training is scheduled for Sunday, May 21st. Then the EMs will be commissioned on

Pentecost Sunday. Father also mentioned that attire for the EMs is very important. The question of serving both species to the choir arose. Julie will think about the logistics of this before Pentecost.

Open Forum - It was recommended to put a Miscellaneous line item on the budget for \$200.

The meeting closed with a prayer led by Father Ongen at 7:40 pm.