

St. Mary of the Hills Worship Commission

May 20, 2015

Present: Anna Marchese, Mary Bomarito, Holly Foldessy, Angie Kustasz, Karen Dudek, Mary Pat Soisson, Tim December

Opening Prayer: Anna Marchese

Recording Secretary: Karen Dudek

OLD BUSINESS

Post-Lent Changes

Have not approached Carol or Fr. Stan yet about the Prayers of the Faithful or silence after Communion, but are planning to soon.

First Communions and Confirmations

Everything went smoothly. 72 confirmandi

Documentation Update

Server documents are in; just need procedural documents for AV techs. Lent and Advent directions for Worship Chair have also been added.

NEW BUSINESS

Pentecost 5/24

Regarding the Prayers of the Faithful read in other languages, the readers for 11 AM are set, but need readers for 5 PM and 9 AM. Holiday weekend makes it difficult. AnnaM asked if there was a list of readers for each year; Mary says she has a list and will give it to Anna for the binder. KarenD suggested saving the translated prayers for future years so that readers will just need to read instead of translate; could be handy if readers are selected last-minute.

Holly will have the Holy Spirit banner up and will use the flowers from Confirmations for Pentecost.

Corpus Christi 6/7

Procession will take place after 5 PM Mass 6/6. Holly will decorate with sheaves of wheat and grapes. Graduation Mass is at 11 AM that weekend, which is why the Procession will take place at the Saturday Mass.

Slides

Commission agreed it was good time to remove slides with “And with your spirit,” as well as “It is right and just” and “May the Lord accept the sacrifice....for our good and

the good of all His holy Church” though the others should stay. Fr. Stan would like to see all the responses up for weddings, funerals, and holidays that tend to have visitors.

Also discussed saying the Nicene Creed again. Apostles Creed is popular for its ease (Fr. Stan says it has “too many tongue-twisters”), though we do get to pray it with the Rosary. Fr. Stan only wants to use the Nicene Creed for special seasons. It was also suggested to create a bulletin insert so parishioners could practice it on their own.

MINISTRY REPORTS

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Mary Bomarito and Angie Kustasz

Three new EMEs trained on 5/17. Next training will be in the Fall. Diane needs to give Angie the names and contact info of the new trainees. Angie will submit their names (and those of current EMEs who are not properly registered) with the AOD.

Action items: Collect names and contact info from DianeR, submit to AOD

Readers: Tim December

Summer schedule is out, VirginiaM has resigned from 9 AM Mass but will continue reading at daily Mass. Tim will find subs for her. Eventually will need to find a backup for her at daily Mass.

Two readers have been missing their rotation frequently. Tim says he will contact them and gently suggest that they take a break from the rotation for one cycle.

Action items: Put summer schedule in binder (Anna)

Prayers of the Faithful Writers: CarolG absent, sent report

Tim McClain resigned from writing prayers; roster down to 5 writers.

Action items: Update roster

Altar Servers and Media Ministers: Mary Pat Soisson

Server rosters and procedure documents have been sent in and will be added to binder. Deacon Joe commented about servers wearing shorts; Mary Pat reiterated that there is a dress code and that servers receive a reminder message every year at the beginning of summer. Usually the same offenders.

As summer approaches, attendance issues (especially among AV techs) pop up again, though Mary says it is better this year and more volunteers have responded to emails asking for availability (2/3-3/4 of them respond). It is hard to track down delinquents, since the kids switch off on their own.

Action items: Add documents to the binder (Anna)

Art and Environment: Holly Foldessy

Parish still set up as COD with new flower company, but company has been flexible and cooperative. They have a good variety of flowers, which Holly likes. Holly is working on decorations for Corpus Christi Mass, and needs to find two matching green plants to go on the pedestals over the summer.

Ushers: Steve Cody absent, no report

Anna will close the loop with Steve C. about First Aid/AED training for ushers

Action items: Follow up and make plan for First Aid/AED training

Music Ministry: Dan Greig absent, sent report

Music Sunday 5/31 will showcase all the music ministries, as a recruitment effort and opportunity for volunteers to celebrate the year together. Pentecost will include brass, harp, and other strings. The Adult Choir will be done singing on Sundays 6/14 but Contemporary Ensemble will continue throughout the summer. Dan will encourage “drop ins” to sing with the Contemporary Ensemble, as an additional recruiting strategy for that group.

Sacristan: Mary Bomarito

Wants to buy baskets and candles for gym Masses. Wonders if there is money in the budget for that.

Evangelization: John Hundiak not present, no report

Budget: Dan Greig sent report

Reminder to use check request form that is in the office and to leave that form in his mailbox with any invoice or receipt. Reimbursement checks or checks paying an invoice require a staff (Dan’s) signature.

Next meeting is Saturday, June 20th at SMOTH.

Submitted by Anna Marchese