

## Worship Commission Meeting

22 January, 2022

**PRESENT:** Beth Campshure, Eric Contreras, Chuck Hornung, Mary Ketterhagen, Judy Pollard, Brian Seel, Lisa Sutton, Paul Thelen

**EXCUSED:** Martha Endejan, Maggie Meyer, Fr. Edward Sanchez, Harry Schneider

The meeting was opened with group prayer.

### Hearing Loops:

- The 3<sup>rd</sup> hearing loop was installed at Sacred Heart last summer. The question at hand is should we install loops at St. Peter, PBVM and ORS.
- There is money in a fund dedicated to handicap accessibility that could be access for this purpose.
  - The cost of the system and the installation at St. Mary's was \$7-8,000. Paul estimates that the cost would be similar for the other sites. He will check on the amount remaining in the fund.
- The wire for the loop can be installed in the basement or the main floor, depending on the construction. If there is metal in the floor, the system will not work. The Loop system takes a signal from the existing sound system in church and converts it to magnetic energy that is transmitted through a wire loop that surrounds the worship space where it can be picked up by hearing aids with a "T-coil" or by a box on a lanyard that is worn by the person.
- The consensus of the members is that we should proceed with installation of the system at the remaining 3 Holy Family sites.
  - Paul will contact DRS Sound, who installed the first 3 systems to evaluate the buildings and give him an estimate of the cost.

### Ringling the bells at the Consecration:

- Fr. Ryan would like to have the bells rung at the Consecration all through the year. Notes will be placed in the Sacristies and near where the bells will be placed. The persons who train the servers will be advised of the change and asked to include it in the training materials.

### Developing Community-Small Groups: Mary Ketterhagen

- At an earlier Commission meeting, a sub-committee was formed to discuss small groups and their use in creating community. Following the first meeting, the effort ran into the pandemic. It is time to revive it.
  - There was considerable discussion, in favor of the concept, with a number of suggestions being put forward.
  - Mary will contact Fr. Edward about re-starting the effort.

### Christmas Eve mass at Holy Family (10:30pm):

- Fr. Edward would like to see the 10:30pm Christmas Eve mass at Holy Family be a Candlelight mass. The Committee members also like the idea. Paul will work with Fr. Edward to set this up for the 2022 Christmas mass.
  - It was suggested that additional candles could be used in the Sanctuary area and other areas where there wouldn't be any foot traffic close by.

### Old Vestments:

- Paul was contacted by the Sexton of Calvary Cemetery asking if Holy Family had any vestments that they no longer use that could be donated to Calvary. There are chasubles at all of the sites that aren't in regular use. Paul will speak with Fr. Edward to look at what is at each site and select one each green, purple and white to donate to Calvary.

### Patron Feast Days:

- As per discussion at our last meeting, the first venture into celebrating the feast day at one of our sites was held at Presentation. It was considered a success.
  - The feast day was on a Sunday.
  - Floral arrangements were ordered and there was a social following the mass. The Sacred Heart Choir lead the music.
- The next site on the calendar will be Our Risen Savior on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter, which falls on May 1 this year.
  - Martha has already begun to plan for the event.
- Sacred Heart will be next, the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday after Pentecost, June 24 this year and St. Peter's follows on Wednesday, June 29.
  - Following discussion, it was suggested that we investigate evening masses at those sites on the 24<sup>th</sup> and 29.
  - Lisa will speak with Fr. Edward to see if the priests would be supportive of this idea. Lisa will also speak to the representatives of both sites about preparations such as decorating and socials. We will have another Commission meeting in May to complete planning.

### Adoration: Lisa Sutton:

- With memorials for Lisa's parents and in-laws, Lisa and her family purchased new candle stands for the Sanctuary at Sacred Heart and also had some of the other stands refurbished for in the Eucharistic Chapel.
- The Corpus Christi procession from St. Mary's to Veterans" Park was well attended.
  - This year, the Archdiocese will be introducing a new movement relative to Adoration, so there may be some changes in the procession and other efforts to promote/increase Adoration.

### Lent:

- There has been no discussion about a theme for Lent. We should let the season stand on its own.
- Mary asked about the Living Stations that had been planned for several years ago. Paul advised that the idea is still "living". While it probably will not happen this year, the backgrounds and other props are ready, and Eva plans to move ahead at some point.
- Eric inquired about the possibility of a bilingual mass on Palm Sunday
  - There was considerable discussion, including, what mass would we do that at, would it be an existing mass time/location, an added time and/or location; how would the Hispanic and Anglo communities receive it.
    - Eric advised that Palm Sunday is an important in the faith life of the Hispanic Community.
    - There was no final decision made, but we all realize that there needs to be a greater understanding of the Hispanic culture in the church by the Anglo population of the congregation.

- Eric suggested that the leaders of both communities could meet for further discussion in order to develop that understanding.

The next meeting of the Worship Commission will be held on Saturday, May 21<sup>st</sup> at **9:00am**. (Note the time change)

The meeting adjourned at 9:45am/

Respectfully submitted,

Beth Campshure