St. Edith Worship Commission Meeting Minutes October 11, 2023

Fr. Jim opened the meeting with prayer at 7:00 pm.

In Attendance: Fr. Jim McNulty, Mike Magoulick, Donna DelFavero, Gary Kudron, Laurie Rizzolo, Heather Shina, Joe Rashid. Excused: Linda Bodnar, Al Rivard, Zelma Isele, Cindy Coleman, Jane DeRoo.

Bereavement: Gary Kudron commented that the program Parish of the Week on Ave Maria Radio featuring Fr. Jim and Heather Shina was enlightening, musical and supportive of the Parish. The Vigil Service at the funeral homes was doing fine and there is another person interested in participating. Fr. Jim suggested they contact Deacon Don. Gary indicated he would check with office personnel. Gary asked to have the microphones turned up. Discussion was had. Linda Bodnar is asked to remind the lectors to speak into the microphone.

Sacristans: Joe Rashid reported that the schedule for the 8 volunteers (Mary Ann Wiegel, Pat Pawlik, Diane Greenwell, Terri Thor, Connie Andres, Elisabeth Johnston, Shirley Olschefski, Elaine Johnston) for washing the linens and towels and the schedule for the 5 volunteers (Fred & Bess Fenech, Dave Bobrowski, Pat & Tom Motsinger, John Sinacola, Rosemary Mitchell) for candle cleaning and holy water bowls has been distributed. We thank them for serving in these ministries. Gary Kudron commented that the holy water bowls were sparkling clean. A special thanks to Barbara Sheedy for regularly arranging the song books and hymnals in the racks in the pews so as to make them look neat and orderly and for a number of other tasks that she does. We have 4 new funeral helper volunteers, but we could use more. Fr. Jim will make another announcement later in the year. Linda Bodnar will be the lector for the All Souls Day Mass, Nov 2, 7pm.

Music Ministry: Heather Shina reported that the Mass of Remembrance Infant Loss/Infertility is scheduled for Wed., Oct 25, 2023 at 7pm. She will be contacting Jennifer Butts to lector. She has been busy preparing for the radio interview and the concert on Sun, Oct 15. Connie is preparing flyers, sound checks and balancing the system for streaming on You Tube. In Praise sang last month at Mass and is scheduled again for Nov 11. Several new people have joined the Hand Bell Choir. There are new songs. The Hand Bell Choir will be at the 8:30 Mass on Nov 19. The Children's Choir will sing at the Family Mass on Nov 5. The Resurrection Choir will sing at the All Souls Day Mass. Former school members have joined God's Glory. Music Ensemble has played 3 times. Piano has been tuned for the concert. There is an organ student that will be playing a Prelude.

Ushers: Mike Magoulick reminded us that the Pancake Breakfast is Sun, Oct 15.

Parish Council: Donna DelFavero reported that Chuck Gaidica will be speaking at 10am, Nov 13 at St. Edith and 7pm, Nov 14 at St. Colette. During Lent, there will be a presentation on Fr. Solanus Feb 27 at our Lady of Victory and Feb 28 at St. Kenneth.

Lectors: Linda Bodnar submitted the following by written report. On Oct 24 she will train a new lector, Betsy Dooley, who indicated an interest in reading at funerals. The lector schedule is set thru Nov 19. No one has yet volunteered for the Nov 5 evening Mass. 2024 Lector Books will be available in the sacristy behind the altar for pickup on Oct 28 and after. An e-mail notification will be sent to lectors. There will be a sign-out sheet for the books.

Altar Servers: Zelma Isele submitted the following by written report. Had altar server training for 6 kids, 4 have already signed up and served. The sign up genius is in the bulletin and on the St. Edith website for easier accessibility for parents.

Art and Environment: Jane DeRoo submitted the following by written report.

Despite Cindy being gone all of September and knee replacement on Oct. 10, and Jane being gone 3.5 weeks in September October and 2 weeks in October/November, Art and Environment is carrying on. Susan Wiska has taken over when I have been gone. This weekend we will have mums for one more week and will then move them outside for a few weeks.

For the weekend of October 21-22, there is a wedding where the mother of the bride and the grandmother are Very ALLERGIC to all live flowers. We will have fall - Chinese Lanterns - but will be using all artificial. We have plans to grow more real ones on the church property starting next year, next to the office and beside Father's garage.

We have not made arrangements for any decorations for All Souls Day. Cindy probably won't be back in action and I will not be here. Not sure what to say for that. It has been a lot on Susan and her husband isn't doing well. Might have to put it out there to the committee and see if someone can step up. Discussion was had.

Plans not yet set for Advent and Christmas. Is there a theme for Advent? Fr. Jim advised not yet.

Adoration: Laurie Rizzolo is gathering materials to be available for people to use at adoration. Gary Kudron suggested she contact Mateja, religious article store on Ford Road, to see if they have any pamphlets available to donate.

Fr. Jim: There is concern about the bulletins being out before and after Mass. Discussion was had. Mike Magoulick pointed out that certain usher teams have differing views. Fr. Jim would like bulletins to be left out after Mass to afford people the opportunity, for example, to come out of the social hall after snacks or coffee and donuts and pick up a bulletin. There should be no fighting about bulletins. Mike will advise the ushers.

To preserve a clean uncluttered look only Art and Environment is authorized to put anything on the walls, hang anything up, take anything down or reposition. No flyers or posters are to be put on the walls using scotch tape. There is a place for flyers and posters. Discussion was had regarding some Ushers and Knights of Columbus removing and/or repositioning items on the walls.

On Holy Days of Obligation there will be a 9am Mass and a 7pm Mass. Mass for the school children will move to the 9am Mass.

Gary Kudron advised that he attended the Protecting God's Children Presentation at St. Colette and that it was brought up about having to watch children when they go to the restroom. Discussion was had. Fr. Jim advised it was up to the parents to do that. Heather advised that at the school mass the teachers are in charge of the children and watching.

Meeting concluded at 8:00 pm with the Hail Mary.

On behalf of Linda Bodnar, Respectfully submitted by Joe Rashid