

Liturgy Committee Meeting

Thursday, January 07, 2021

Present: Connie Vogel (Chair), Fr. Jeff Dole, Carol Ambrose, Sue O'Loughlin, Cathy Even, Linda Delagardelle, Dawn Hansen, and Monica Bengston.

Guest: Seminarian Jeff Frieden – Mundelein Seminary

Not Present: Kathy Sabers.

The Liturgy Meeting began at 5:00 pm in the Parish Center. Father led us in prayer.

Pastor's Notes: Father Dole shared with us that Seminarian. Jeff Frieden, will be at our parish for several months. He will be shadowing Fr. Dole, spending time at our church, St. Athanasius School, Don Bosco, and with Youth Faith Formation. Fr. reflected he heard many positive notes that the Christmas environment looked very nice. He appreciated all of our efforts to make our environment in the church, parish center and gym look joyous for our guests. There was a Live Streaming problem for some of the Christmas Masses. Fr. is working with technicians to correct it. There was an even amount of crowd attendance at each service. The Archbishop sent out Liturgy input to all the parishes to continue to maintain (social distancing, masks, etc.) protocol until the pandemic is no longer a threat. The Archbishop shared recommendations on Blessing of the Throats, Ashes, Palm Sunday, Holy Week, Easter and more. The Liturgy Committee will need to schedule Liturgical Ministers for some of the upcoming special dates but will only need a few (Eucharistic Minister, Musician, Cantor, and Lector). Our Seminarian may be able to assist as a server for some Masses. We will be using the Mass of Creation for Ordinary Time. Fr. Dole also shared some literature that the USCCB compiled regarding translations of evaluated songs and how they must be in conformity with Catholic doctrine.

Old Business: none.

New Business: Connie provided us with a 2021 Liturgical Church Events Calendar and a list of *environmental change* dates. We discussed purchasing a couple of new Christmas trees and some new strings of lights to replace some that are no longer suitable to use. We will change the environment to Ordinary Time on Sunday, January 10th after the 8:30 Mass.

The Liturgy Committee meeting adjourned at 5:50 pm. Fr. led us in praying the Glory Be. Our next meeting will be Thursday, February 4, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.

