

Worship Commission May 2021 Summary

Your Name: Tom Konrardy (Chair) – Interim Sarah Richards (Champion)

Your Area: Worship Commission

Sunsetting Mass Restrictions: Working with Fr Stan on a plan to gradually implement changes between now and end of July. Main Topics: Mask wearing – 6 ft social distancing – Outdoor Mass continuation – Live Stream Mass – Communion Distribution – etc.

Director of Music & Liturgy position: Job is posted - Applications received - Interviews to begin.

Piano Replacement: Group of accompanists trialed pianos at Carlson's Piano World (Eden Prairie) and Schmitt Music (Edina) Both vendors came to church to review present piano and move options into Choir Loft. Bids were received. The date will be compiled with recommendation for purchase. Since cost is over \$25,000 a proxy will be needed for Archdiocese.

Music: Continue to explore when we can begin congregational singing during Mass. State of MN dept of health does allow singing at worship services with everyone masked. With recent elimination of Mask Mandate, we will need to continue to watch. Working on final steps to gradually add congregational singing into Mass.

Carol and Paul Miller are working on organizing the music into a single filing cabinet in the choir loft. Also cataloging into software for ease of search.

Exploring option to move Bell Choir into Choir loft when able to resume.

Other preparation to make transition to new staff person easier.

Behind the Scenes Group [Cleaning – Linen – Decorations - Flowers – Sacristan]

Added refinishing of pews and cleaning / replacement of pew seats to Parish Project List. Working to establish an estimate of costs.

Obtained a list of 29 requests from this group. These items have a wide variety of topics. Working on coordinating with the correct staff, assessment of needs/costs and prioritizing.

Eucharistic Adoration: The Team met to reassess EA times and seating adjustments and provide a plan for changes with the sunsetting of COVID-19 restrictions. Plan is to remove sitting restrictions when done for Mass. (expected June 5-6) Hours will remain Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday from 5 pm to 9 pm through the summer. The EA team will come up with an expansion plan that can be implemented post Labor Day.

Note: The Eucharistic Adoration team would like to add one or two others. If you know of someone, please invite them or send their names my way.

Prayer Enhancement: Tara Klatt and her team are working on resuming the Rosary prior to weekend Masses. Hope to begin May 28-29.