Liturgy Committee Meeting Minutes

September 1, 2026 6:30 pm

Present: Fr. Matthew Kuhn, Fr. Dan Ruprecht, Fr. Fred Fink, Deacon Tony Pasko, Parker Olson, Erin Takle, Tammy Huss , Grace Lambert, Adrian Panther, Stephanie Rutten-Ramos, Bonnie Bromen, Kate Bloedorn, Cathy Kinney, Will Odland , Beth Sabolik, Ben Kloss, Amanda Hegg, Cindy Gulbrandson

Absent: Char Hanson

I. Introductions of new members; Beth Sabolik (Pastoral Council Liaison, Ben Kloss (lectors), Amanda Hegg and Cindy Gulbrandson (art and environment). Bonnie Bromen will leave the committee after many faithful years of service.
II. Opening Prayer -Adrian Panther
III. Minutes approved
IV. Education piece- A copy of the Music Ministry Handbook was distributed. We are to review for next month's meeting.
V. Open forum- plans to "declutter" sacristy, sanctuary, music closet, old choir loft. Emily Cash and Cassie Klimek are coordinating efforts. Discussed location of ambo, Presider chair, credence table although nothing officially decided at this point. Fr. Fred suggested having petitions available in larger print so easier to read. Plan to change when the eucharistic ministers receive communion to distribute to the homebound. Does not flow well currently. Will have ministers to the homebound exit with rest of EM's.
VI. Parishioner experiences – Positive feedback having Mass in the Great Hall. Negatives are no kneelers , sound system

issues. People liked nametags. Plan to do at least quarterly. A complaint was made regarding inappropriate dress of an eucharistic minister. At times there is a bottleneck when EM captain brings Communion to those with mobility issues. Request for different types of music at Mass. Parker will review.

VII. Calendar Update- still tweaking schedule but will have dates at Oct meeting.

VIII. Ministry Needs and Parishioner Experiences

a. Music- Erin Takle said they could use more people to lead music at Mass. Restart Adult Choir (Parker) Stephanie provided Erin with a worship aid from a parish in Saint Paul which included full texts of all readings and responsorial psalms along with the licenses under which they were printed.
b. EM's – no updates
c. Hospitality- Grace asked about survey that Bill Verschaetse wanted sent to hospitality members reviewing what they are willing to do at Mass, i.e., greeter, security, medical, usher. Postponing sending it out for now. Grace Lambert asked about needing people to sign up to bring up gifts. New members to the parish are asked to sign up. Parker suggested keeping track of individuals who are willing when asked at Mass as some may not be on the MSP app.
d. Lectors- no updates

e. Adoration – Planning to have 40 hours of devotion at St. Mary's, still in planning phase. 6 hours short of having coverage for Eucharistic Adoration 24/5
f. Art and Environment- 2 new members to the committee
g. Sacristans- no updates
h. Servers- Getting labeling ropes for servers, easier to find their size.

IX. Priest Updates – Pedestals in Adoration Chapel for Mary and Joseph statues. Candle holders on wall. Fr. Fred shared that Pope Leo XIV wrote a document on "For the care of Creation" that is quite good. Reflects and emphasizes the care of creation.

X. Recap and Closing Prayer
a. Educational Piece – Review Music Ministry document.
b. Secretary- Cathy Kinney
c. Prayer – Beth Sabolik
d. Closing Prayer- Adrian Panther

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm

Respectfully submitted by

Grace Lambert