Liturgy Commission Meeting - February 28th, 2019

Attendance:
- Carol Abel
- Berta Alvarado
- Matthew Anderson
- Joe Costantino
- Strad Engler
- Mary Elizabeth Hooker
- Mary Lou von Euw

Ministry Sign Up Week: March 16th/17th
- Information to run in bulletin with a spoken announcement before Masses on March 9th/10th
- Weekend of the 16th/17th: looking for enthusiastic people to offer witness talks at the end of the upstairs masses (about their experience in ministry, its rewards):
  - 4pm:
  - 8am:
  - 10am: Strad
  - 12pm: Carol
  - 5:30pm: Patricia
- Will need people in the back of church to answer questions, help sign up new ministers
  - Carol to make lanyards to identify current minister’s various ministries
- Young Adult Ministry St. Patrick’s Day party taking place after the Sunday’s 5:30pm mass; could we target them in our ministerial pitch?

Day for Liturgical Ministers - March 16th
- Sign-up information to run in bulletin this weekend, March 2nd and 3rd
  - Spoken pre-mass announcement to run on the weekend of March 9th
- Ellen has invited the BC RCIA candidates
- We are to invite Jackie and the parish RCIA candidates

Next Liturgical Commission Meeting: March 26th
- Request that the Holy Week coordinators attend this meeting
- Will assign ministers for Holy Week
  - Carol to send out mass email to recruit ministers for Triduum
  - Suggestion made to include the capable young lectors of the Family Mass - especially for the Easter Vigil
  - To ask Eric to be vested Thurifer
  - Carol to check Zachariah and Alexandra’s availability

Good Friday
- Suggestion made to have various ministers carry the cross, presenting it three times with the sung response, “This is the wood of the cross…”
- With earlier rehearsals this year, we have the opportunity to plan out different ideas

Easter Vigil
- Fr. Joe to carry the Paschal Candle, intone sung acclamation, “Light of Christ…”
- Ask Zachariah, if available, to lower the Paschal Candle into the font during the RCIA rite
- Suggested Old Testament Readings:
  - I: Genesis 1:1—2:2
    - To check if dancers will be involved and if Mickey will read
  - II: Genesis 22:1-18
    - Could be presented dialogically
  - III: Exodus 14:15—15:1
  - IV: Baruch 3:9-15, 32C4:4

Bilingual Liturgies
- The Spanish-speaking community has felt unwelcome in the Upper Church for bilingual liturgies
- These liturgies are important parts of parish life; how do we better accommodate them?
  - Could we move the Bilingual mass downstairs?
    - Would this reinforce that the Lannon Chapel is not a second-rate place of worship
Can we shift the Parish’s understanding of these liturgies?
  ■ These are opportunities to celebrate, parish-wide, our diversity; not simply a “combined” 12pm mass
  ■ A pitch to all the masses: “Consider attending our parish’s Bilingual celebration”
  ■ Make a stand: this is what we’re trying to accomplish, this is important to us, this is our community

- The difficulty in recruiting and staffing ministers for various masses is likely a symptom of a larger problem: hospitality and welcome
  ○ For example, the long-standing struggle to create a ministry of hospitality within the Parish
- These issues are to be brought to the attention of the Pastoral Council

Universal Apostolic Preferences
- Issued by the Society of Jesus: 4 guiding principles for the next 10 years
  ○ Commitment to the Spiritual Exercises/Discernment
  ○ Commitment to the poor and marginalized
  ○ Commitment to the youth; passing along our faith to the next generation
  ○ Care for our Common Home
    ■ This Lent, the Green Team will unpack this preference
    ■ Parish celebration of Earth Day on Sunday, April 28th - Second Sunday of Easter
- Shows a shift in development: they are universal and present a challenge to the entire, worldwide church as to how we incorporate within our individual communities
  ○ Joe and the Parish Staff to present and unpack these preferences over a series of Bulletin essays this Lent
- How do we, as a Liturgy Commission, focus on these principles in our work at the Parish?
  ○ Developing more diverse, dialogical preaching
  ○ Excited by the possibility of the preferences; could help realize our desire to open up lay preaching