**Liturgy Committee: November 24, 2020 – 6:45 p.m. via Zoom**

Detailed Meeting Notes (November 25, 2020/Pat Campbell)

Present: Sara Caporaletti, Amber Zepp, Margie D’Valle, Lizanne

Kile, Anne Bennoff.

Absent: Alyssa Smith, John Mountcastle

1) Prayer – “Hope, Like a Seed” text was read.

2) Notes from last month.

3) Formation – Attached article, “After the Pandemic: What kind of worship community will we return to?” Discussion.

Thought-provoking, but the pandemic is changing things, we will be longing for the return to something we think of as “normal.” Concern about who will decide to return. Some discussion about the power of missing out on reception of the Eucharist and how highlighting that might remind those who are able to attend live Mass, but choose not to, that there is a good reason to come back. Expressed concerns about the ongoing struggle for those who want to return but cannot. The article was pretty light, but did start us thinking about what life will be like when this pandemic finally ends.

4) Advent and Christmas Update

a. Advent Liturgical Arts-Sara and her helpers will set up Advent environment on Saturday morning, November 28. There will be pine in Advent wreath. Keeping this season simple.

b. Advent Wreath Lighting-We need willing wreath lighters for the four weekends. First weekend the Advent wreath is blessed and then candles are lit (at all Masses) as the Universal Prayer concludes. Committee is asked to volunteer or to suggest people

they notice at Mass who might want to light the candles in coming weeks. The lighting in weeks 2-4 will take place BEFORE the procession.

c. Advent Music – Pat has asked all musicians to use the same processional song (In God’s Time) and the acclamations from Mass of St. Frances Cabrini (as we used last Advent season and Christmas Time).

Musicians continue to sing these acclamations “in place of the assembly.” Pat shared about an email received concerning this. One reason livestreaming Christmas Masses will be great – MUCH singing at home.

d. Best Christmas Ever Update – The update from Pat pointed out that the two Christmas Eve Masses now include assembly members present. The decision was changed to allow people to attend in person – in both Church and Fellowship Hall and to use Event Brite to reserve seats. It does add

more work from the point of view of needing volunteers as ushers (we need several more than we have) and having people present who will be strong about crowd control. Your suggestions are most welcome!

i. Greeting Videos-Fr. Mike made a video to encourage people to make their Christmas

greeting video. Pat encourages all Liturgy Committee members to take part and show

support. The deadline is set for Dec. 4. Spread the word and encourage everyone to make a 30 second video. Can I help anyone? Let me know.

ii. Other Items for Video Content – Musicians are working on content with Pat, Nancy (in the parish