Worship Commission Meeting April 22, 2014

Attendance: Fr. David Mowry, Maria Wilbert, Tom Kaiser, Mary Pat Vanderlaan, Dave McCaffrey, Peg Cello, Mary Lou Rafferty, Lucy Milar, Tom Hanik, Keith, Steve Hillsman, Alan Conkle.

Faith Sharing: We read Urbi Et Orbi – Pope Francis’ Easter message to the city and to the world. The Resurrection is the culmination of the Gospel and the basis of our faith and our hope. Love has triumphed over hatred, mercy over sinfulness, goodness over evil, truth over falsehood, life over death.

Minutes from March C. Bill Perry is interim. At March meeting there was more discussion on collaboration between parishes. Ongoing collaboration such as Visitation and IC sharing Mass. The Priests did an eye opening exercise where they brainstormed about what Priests do versus what they only can do. Discussions ensued about how to get others to fill in and free up the Priests’ time so they focus on the necessary. Father tom asked the Worship Commission discuss how we can do our Feast days with more beauty and pomp. Thanksgiving and Feast of Immaculate Conception were mentioned as two to start with. Regarding Thanksgiving we discussed many options: doing it as a “Turkey Trot Mass beginning at 7:00; as a Wednesday PM Mass at 7:00; doing it along with our other parishes (Visitation, MQH). Regarding Feast of IC, we discussed having the regular GS and HS Masses during the day and a RE Mass at night. We could have something special after the 5:15 Mass-eve of feast, such as Evening Prayer, Marian devotion, Taize, some special event to end the Year of Mary. (the eve of the feast – though there are some rules when the feast falls on a Monday and Fr. David is checking on the practices).

Lent and Easter Recap- There was an extended conversation about signup sheets for the feasts…Father Tom wants particular people assigned to Cup and Host. There were some problems. Going forward we have a map and people will use it to sign up.

There was a suggestion that there be a written order of the services because they were quite complicated. Tom Hanik offered to assist in any way to make this happen. Father David will work with Lisa to determine how to proceed re order and booklets, etc. The Pilgrimage was fabulous, and would have been even better if we had ended up back at IC in time for Night Prayer. The Holy Thursday Mass was beautiful and Church stunning. Palm Sunday was beautiful though there were some logistical problems with the procession at 7:30 – next year direct the “latecomers” to the side entry. 9:00 procession the music was a bit disjointed so maybe have musicians at beginning, middle and end to keep singling in sync. Mission Sunday father Ed Shae was very well received. There were a couple dress code lapses. For next year if there is a special dress code such as wearing red, the subject line for the email should be explicit e.g. Subject: WEAR RED.

Ministry Weekend: This is occurring on weekend of May 18. Pamphlets will be handed out.

Ministry Training: Training is scheduled May 13 @ 7:00 PM and May 17 @ 9:00 – especially for the 8th graders. It is Father David’s First Anniversary as a Priest on May 18, for which we are grateful.

Liturgical Ministry Day: Last time the snack and training was good. We need to add this to the May agenda to see what we want to do.

Year of Mary: We want to plan a Marian procession for the fall. We need to add this to May’s agenda. Travelling Mary is going very well and many parishioners have signed up.

YoM Subcommittee: Volunteers for all the articles for the remainder of the year. See attached Spreadsheet.

Miscellaneous – Keep Father Jerry in prayers as he fell and injured both his knees at church. June is Leadership Meeting, so no regular Worship meeting. IC Fest is September 6. It will be a 4:00 Mass and the fest will end at 8:00. We need to add this to the May agenda.

Next WC Meeting is May 19 at 7:00.