

Vestry Meeting 5-19-25

Attending: Jennifer Khaleel, Darcey Tatum, Lee Ann Sipe, Kathleen Yukishige, George Herrin, Alma Hurtado, Ruth Mannah, Charmaine Mitchell Also attending were Fr Fabio Sotelo, William Paasewe, Lawrence Toomey

Absent: Brenda Tamba, Martha Cuenca, Teresa Guzman, Lorenzo Clarke, and Emmanuel Mitchell,

Meeting called to order at 7:05 pm. Fr Fabio led the vestry in Evening Prayer.

Bill Paasewe gave the financial report. Statement of Activity showed that income was more than expected or budgeted. So far this year we are ahead of budget in income. Expenses remain in the area we had expected. Maintenance of grounds and buildings was over budget: \$2,200 compared to the \$600 planned. No one could specify the exact reason for this, so Jennifer will check with our bookkeeper on Wednesday to find out. Part of it was probably the purchase of a lawn mower.

We will be meeting our auditors in June as part of our regular audits, due in September 1ST.

George had brought up in the Finance Committee meeting that we have a lot of cash sitting in our operating account, over \$100,000, when our monthly expenses usually run about \$30,000. He talked to people at our bank, and the best opportunity seems to be their interest-bearing checking account which yields 5% per year. While most of these are personal accounts, the person helping him gave no indication that the church would be ineligible. After discussion, Jennifer and George will go to the bank and find out all they can in the second week of June and get back with the vestry before any vote takes place.

Darcey reported that the Coffee Café for newcomers conflicted with choir rehearsal. He expects that we will have one about every 6 months.

Jennifer reported on the upcoming installation of Father Fabio as our Rector. She is planning on multiple committees to handle all aspects of the installation. This will entail vestry liaison with all the committees to get this done well. She will be sending emails out to all.

VBS theme is the Gifts of the Spirit. Kathy reported: the first night will be spiritual gifts assessment. The second night will be our stories. The third night will be our role in a beloved community. Activities include music, tie-dye, banner making and other. This is the plan. Jennifer plans to be in charge of the food with help from the various communities within St. Ed's.

Darcey mentioned that the week of Fr Fabio's installation is also St. Ed's week as hosts for Family Promise. He still needs volunteers for dinners, donations for breakfast, snacks, lunch and gift cards for the families.

Fr Fabio reported on adult formation. Lorenzo and Cecelia accepted chair positions for Adult Formation with groups to begin between the services.

Ruth reported on pastoral care. Marion Franks was appointed head of the ministry that is designed to help our community for many needs, from meals and rides to prayer with each other. They will be installed on June 29th by Fr Fabio with the parish.

Darcey reported that we have a lot to do to clean up and keep our buildings and grounds in good condition for the installation. The roof repair may be finished by the 19th. The color has to be chosen; plans for the future include repainting the church buildings a pale gray, so gray in some shade is the leading favorite.

Fr Fabio thanked the vestry for their trust in his leadership. He is looking forward to leading the parish and to his installation, which will be a joyous bilingual service. For the month of June we will be experimenting with one bilingual service each Sunday at 11 O'clock.

Jennifer asked Kathy if any of the upcoming candidates for confirmation want to carpool and how many will need rides to the cathedral. They will get together later on this, including Ruth.

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George announced that now that the CAT is done, he wants to get to work on the Strategic Plan. He wants it done by sometime in August.

Fr Fabio closed the meeting with prayer for Mimi and Carmen, Patrick, Cindy, Alex, Andrea, St. Edward's community, Joe Biden. The Lord's Prayer was spoken by the community and the meeting closed.

Submitted 5-24-25 by Mary Lu Rogers, Clerk.