Music Ministry Committee Meeting Minutes

A meeting of Music Ministry Committee was held at St Agatha's Church on 9th November, 2022.

Attendees included	Members not in attendance included
Fr Raphael Kimano	Tim Chan
Peter Bowron	Graham Hawkins
Ray Fehon	
Lucy Roh	
Beverley de Rosario	

Opening hymn

Ray opened the meeting with a Lenten hymn Return to God, Gather Australia 304

Lent

Music during Lent

- It was agreed to promote Return to God, Gather Australia [GA] 304 and What Wondrous Love Is This (public domain lead sheet attached).
- Others mentioned were Ashes, GA, 209 and A New Heart For A New World, GA 438.
- Peter mentioned previous use of music for RCIA activities during Lent and will check for details.

Ash Wednesday, 22.02.2022

- Ray informed the group that she usually played music for the 9:30 am mass.
- Parish office or Fr Raphael to inform if musicians needed for the other masses.

Palm Sunday, 02.04.2022

- The group was informed that the Solemn Entrance used to be at the Vigil Mass. Fr Raphael informed the group that this would likely be re-instated but would confirm at a later date.
- Parish office or Fr Raphael to inform if musicians needed to be arranged for all masses.
- Lucy asked about mass settings for all feasts and solemnities. As indicated on the website, mass settings recommended are Spirit and Grace, and Mass Shalom. Peter to check if he has additional copies of Mass of Spirit and Grace to give Lucy.
- Fr Raphael informed the group that the vestments were white/gold for most feasts except those involving the Holy Spirit, where the vestments were red.

Parish Family Mass

Fr Raphael to meet with school principal and religious coordinator to discuss how these would proceed next year including regarding music.

- Will the school provide musicians and choir?
- If not, does music ministry needs to purchase music to integrate music familiar to the children.
- Dates for 2023 and whether on 4th or 5th Sunday of the month, as the last two have been, and whether they will occur during school holidays.

- The music needs to be a blend of what is familiar to the children and what is familiar to the congregation at large.
- Will the school be involved for Christmas Eve masses?

Fr Raphael requested that the rosters from February next year leave the 4th Sunday empty for the Parish Family Mass.

Advent

Music is not needed for the Advent Lighting Ceremony.

Mass Setting for Advent is either Mass for Moderns or Missa Emmanuel. Bev to provide 4 copies of Missa Emmanuel for general use.

Christmas

The group worked out the following list, to be confirmed by Tim:

TIME	CHRISTMAS EVE	TIME	CHRISTMAS DAY
5 pm	School choir and musicians TBC	7:30 am	Ray
	[Ray is also willing to play]		
7 pm	School choir and musicians TBC	9 am	Lucy's Youth Choir
9 pm	Bev's Group	10:30 am	TBC
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Fr Raphael will confirm the readings and gospel for the various masses once Fr Stephen has returned so that the correct psalms and gospel acclamations can be prepared.

Christmas sing-along fund-raising concert to be postposed to next year due to lateness of topic and the youth holding an Advent concert to raise money for World Youth Day.

Lucy to send out invitations to the groups regarding joining in the concert being held during the week after the first Sunday in Advent.

Microphones

Most of the Rodes microphones were missing leaving only the taped Rodes mic, the wireless mic and a dynamic mic for general use. After the meeting adjourned, Peter did a search and found the 3 missing microphones in some boxes of music books. They have been returned to the safe.

Peter and Bev will still do a survey of music stores regarding appropriate newer microphones and send their findings to the ministry at large and at Fr Raphael's request, include Richard Houwing, before a final purchase decision is made. However, there is now no urgency involved.

Music Storeroom

Repairs are on-going in the storeroom and Fr Raphael will inform Peter when the items stored elsewhere can be moved back into the room.

Purchases

There was a discussion on purchases with Peter mentioning 4 digital downloads folders. Bev requested that an index of the folders be put up on the website for general knowledge. No purchases were confirmed.

Peter to contact Paul Taylor regarding copying of the chant setting of the Litany of the Saints. Bev suggested he also ask about the possibility of Catholic Worship Book II setting up purchase of digital downloads of individual items from the book if possible.

PowerPoints

Fr Raphael informed the group of the formation of a Communications or Media ministry, which is still in the planning stages. The next stage will be advertising for volunteers who will then be dealing with the projection of slides, amongst other duties.

In discussion of prayers the be projected, Fr Raphael asked that those that involved choices be projected for clarity to the congregation. These would include:

- Form 1 of the Penitential Act
- The Apostles' or Nicene Creed (Fr Vincent uses the Nicene Creed)
- The Memorial Acclamation

Bey to send Peter the PowerPoint files for the website.

It was also mentioned that Fr Vincent has taken to producing a PowerPoint file of all readings and prayers of the day and any groups with composite lyrics files would need to get this file to combine with theirs. Fr Raphael informed the group that the monthly roster of priests were on the board in the sacristy and that Kerri would send the list to Peter for inclusion on the website.

Next Meeting

Date to be arranged via email. Suggested date is 8.02.2023.

Fr Raphael asked to include arranging music for Sacramental masses in the agenda.

Beverley de Rosario	
Secretary	