

Saint Barnabas on the Desert
Memorial Acceptance and Fine Arts Committee

April 8, 2024

Members present: Peggy Iacobelli, Mary Lou Luvisa, John Thornton, Marilyn Black, Tom Baker, Marga Fritze, Marian Green, Donna Piscopo, Grace Chen, Nancy Harvey, Irene Wood and Ann Goodman.

Call to order: Nancy read a prayer.

Minutes of March 4: The minutes for the March 4, 2024 meeting were not approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Tours: Grace reported that there wasn't a tour on March 17th. Judee has a tour planned for May.

Buildings and Grounds: Peggy reported that the sanctuary cylindrical hanging light fixtures were being converted from fluorescent to LED lamps.

Lent and Easter: Marilyn said that the Easter decorating was easy this year. The Easter lilies were received by John on Tuesday, March 26th and Marilyn prepared them. On Saturday morning at 9 am, the pots and lilies were placed along the choir railing and then were placed around the altar that evening. Mary Lou watered and Grace cared for lilies. The flower stands had colorful flowers this year, as picked by the staff. Some of the remaining lilies were to be used for Broadway Bash.

OLD BUSINESS

Retired chapel kneeler needlepoint framing and chapel kneeler storage: Joanne met with Peggy and she gave her the kneeler needlepoint she had.

Saint Barnabas history book: Marga talked about wanting to find someone who can do good quality filming of the interviews. Marga showed a copy of the original T.S. Montgomery contract for the architectural work for the church. She also talked about ideas for publication of the book and placing the people she interviews into the story of the city at the time of their stories, to give an historical context. Ann will help find people to be interviewed.

Did You Know articles: Marga will coordinate with Manny's communication plans for her articles.

Green set commission: Nancy and Grace are working on getting out a request for a bid on the green set, which will include: a chasuble, deacon stoles, 4 priest's vestments, two hangings and a burse and veil. The set will not include a cope, chapel hangings, or burse and veil for the chapel. Nancy researched symbols associated with the green season and Grace researched Christian symbols. The plan is to provide JB Liturgical with some symbols and ideas to consider, such as purity, rebirth, water, a cactus flower, the sanctuary cross and symbols from the sanctuary doors. Fr. Robert responded to Nancy's request to review her list of information on the green season.

Website tour: Peggy hasn't had a good experience working with Momentum 360. They have been slow in revising their first pass video with the changes Peggy requested.

Ode to Joy disposition sub-committee: Nancy contacted Martha Winslow Grimm and the sub-committee will meet with her on April 26 to see if she has inputs on the cutting and framing operations. Tom showed a spreadsheet that listed and showed the 21 sections proposed to be cut from *Ode to Joy*. Also shown were pictures of locations in the Learning Center, Hutton Hall and the sanctuary conference room where the proposed sections will be hung. The pictures show the rooms with pictures of the sectioned pieces on the walls, framed and to scale, in order to give an accurate idea of how they might look.

Ditson processional cross reproduction: John showed a drawing of the work he has done on refining the design so that it is best suited for children's use. Peggy had the idea of placing one of the children's stones in the center of the cross. The final design will need to be discussed with Sarah.

Ciborium and chalice repairs: Marian reported that the previous repair work had been done with lead solder, rather than silver solder. She also said that after researching a couple of people to do the work, Blix was chosen to do the repair work. \$2000 is available for repairs and \$5400 is approved for repairs to the ciborium and chalice. Blix said that it would take one month to repair the ciborium.

NEW BUSINESS

Ron Steege artwork: This is currently in the sanctuary conference room. Maybe it could be hung in The Other Cup.

Items from Fr. Jim's office: Peggy has a folder with papers describing the liturgical furnishings. Tom has software that can convert the paper copies into Word files. Peggy also showed a painting of the Quonset Hut, possibly by Paul West from October 3, 1953.

CHAIR REPORT

The next meeting is May 6th, in the Other Cup.

Let it be known that these minutes are intended to convey the spirit of the meeting and are not meant to be a literal documentation of the proceedings.