



November 2025

My dear parishioners,

Each year at this time we publish a report on the financial condition of the parish. As you reflect on how you will support the Cathedral parish in 2026, I hope that the information contained in this report will help your decision-making. The report details not only the dollars and cents, but also some of the ministries and activities made possible through your support.

Annual Report FY 2024 – 2025

Let's begin with a few facts about our membership and sacramental activity during this period. Note that all figures in this report are quoted on a fiscal year basis (July 1 – June 30). For 2025, for example, figures are for July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025.

Parish Snapshot

2025	2024	2023	2022	
2,589	2,212	2,260	2,254	Registered households
4,353	4,052	4,171	4,133	Individual members
357	438	396	404	ParishSOFT Giving participants
633	757	713	757	Contributing registered households
6	6	6	6	Masses/weekend
17	17	17	17	Daily Masses/week
2	2	2	2	Livestreamed Masses/week

Sacramental Celebrations

2025	2024	2023	
80	94	80	Infant baptisms
9	15	9	Adult baptisms
19	8	10	Professions of Faith
46	58	56	First Holy Communions
126	130	118	Confirmations
23	11	10	Funerals
61	54	59	Weddings

Income

For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, **our total parish income was \$2,735,711 and our total parish expenses were \$2,510,673.**

A sampling of income categories for FY2025, as compared with figures for prior fiscal years, is below.

2025	2024	2023	
\$910,969	\$900,261	\$889,039	Offertory collections
73,720	66,106	69,349	Building fund
80,452	106,689	89,249	Christmas collections
67,553	59,501	69,843	Christmas Friends campaign
47,327	48,677	68,906	Easter collections
106,710	161,487	174,510	Contributions & donations
94,632	0	25,000	Bequests
62,395	63,534	50,118	Poor box
21,895	23,483	19,770	Adopt-a-Family (Christmas, Thanksgiving, Easter, Back-to-School)
39,319	22,378	13,430	Homeless project
62,365	58,764	56,593	Votive candles
681,657	661,443	642,528	1717 Rhode Island Avenue lease
103,390	77,970	79,847	Sacramental offerings (Weddings, Baptisms, Funerals)

Expenses

A sampling of expenses for FY2025, as compared with figures for prior fiscal years, is below.

2025	2024	2023	
\$1,324,085	\$1,040,110	\$1,133,065	Salaries, choirs & benefits
14,476	13,528	12,497	Christmas Friends campaign
23,056	23,006	24,591	Sanctuary candles
22,245	24,399	21,051	<i>Catholic Standard</i>
12,894	12,407	16,453	Mass programs
11,715	9,457	9,674	Christmas decorations
18,666	15,897	16,979	Rectory food
18,541	16,494	10,926	Homeless Ministry supplies
8,561	14,515	11,192	Adopt-a-Family (Christmas & Thanksgiving)
7,014	4,751	3,344	Rental/utilities assistance
19,122	19,429	21,275	Security (rectory)
24,030	22,462	20,762	FaithDirect/ParishSOFT Giving fees
51,849	40,312	67,675	Thorton AC/Heat & Repair/maintenance
157,989	128,310	132,450	Utilities (oil, gas, electricity)
133,366	124,462	92,900	Property insurance
118,163	115,969	115,006	Offertory assessment by Archdiocese of Wash.
29,541	28,992	28,752	Education assessment by Archdiocese of Wash.
49,234	48,318	47,905	School assessment

Summary/Operating Budget

Income

2025	2024	2023	
\$1,257,848	\$1,254,528	\$1,252,205	Collections
1,477,863	1,347,469	1,139,984	Other Revenues
2,735,711	2,601,997	2,392,189	Total

Expenses

2025	2024	2023	
\$633,559	\$524,823	\$490,709	Parish life & worship
321,209	239,812	225,179	Rectory & parish clergy
181,626	169,579	158,371	Religious education
89,288	99,208	89,061	Social concerns
370,678	413,763	392,460	Administration
701,024	608,673	617,008	Physical plant
213,290	207,932	559,288	Parish other
2,510,673	2,263,790	2,532,076	Total

Income less expenses

2025	2024	2023
\$225,038	\$338,207	– \$139,887

The financial health of the parish looks pretty good, but that can be deceiving. As I mentioned before, we now have new assessments from the Archdiocese. We also know that our Cathedral lighting system needs upgrading to accommodate LED lighting. Other items will be surfacing. The Cathedral's restoration was completed in 2003 and the rectory's renovation was finished in 2006. Various needs appear after 20 years!

I know I can depend on your generosity. I can count on you. Your donations do make a difference. I really appreciate all who contribute generously each week. If you don't give regularly, may I ask that you take the first step and give whatever you can. Others may want to think about giving just a little more.

Thank you. Your support fills me with gratitude and even awe! What we have accomplished here at St. Matthew's you have made possible. Just one little commercial: if you are not participating in **ParishSOFT Managed Giving, please do so**. It's a simple process to register (<https://giving.parishsoft.com/App/Giving/FD-284>). Those who use online giving or otherwise made substantial donations **save us**. I am so very grateful.

God bless you all. What is important is to give what you can, no matter how much or how little. God has given us so much. For that we are so grateful. Let us make a return gift by giving to our parish. If you have any questions, just give me a call.

As you know, Advent is just around the corner, and there are many activities at the Cathedral! Enclosed you will find a brochure with a list of our liturgies and events during Advent and Christmas. We hope to see you there!

Again, thank you and God bless.



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Sincerely yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "W. Ronald Jameson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

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