ST. MATTHEW ТНЕ АРОЅТ

November 2021

Sacramental Celebrations

My dear friends,

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 2022, 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 2020 - 2021

Let's begin with a few facts about our membership and sacramental activity during this period.

2,352	Registered households	53	Infant baptisms
4,190	Individual members	17	Adult baptisms
460	FaithDirect participants	4	Professions of Faith
777	Contributing registered households	67	First Holy Communions
6	Masses each weekend	88	Confirmations
17	Daily Masses each week	17	Funerals
2	Livestreamed Masses each week (English & Spanish)	52	Weddings

Parish Snapshot

Our fiscal year runs from July 1 through June 30. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021, **our total parish income was \$2,474,352, and our total parish expenses were \$1,803,947.**

A **sampling of the income** includes the following:

\$805,461	Offertory collections
\$55,831	Building fund
\$82,626	Christmas collections
\$104,392	Christmas Friends campaign
\$24,679	Easter collections
\$234,623	Contributions & donations
\$35,480	Bequests
\$43,236	Poor box
\$18,185	Adopt-a-Family (Christmas, Thanksgiving, Easter, School)
\$16,187	Homeless project
\$3,570	Votive candles
\$621,461	1717 Rhode Island Avenue lease
\$57,095	Sacramental offerings (Weddings, Baptisms, Funerals)

A **sampling of the expenses** includes the following:

\$1,012,652 \$12,466 \$3,716	Salaries & benefits Christmas Friends campaign Sanctuary candles
\$6,248	Christmas decoration
\$12,928	Rectory food
\$7,141	Homeless Ministry supplies
\$14,712	Adopt-a-Family (Christmas & Thanksgiving)
\$8,254	Rental/utilities assistance
\$18,581	Security (rectory)

\$21,202 \$10,957 \$112,025 \$92,508 \$103,355 \$25,839 \$43.065	FaithDirect fees Thorton AC/Heat & Repair/maintenance Utilities (oil, gas, electricity) Property insurance Offertory assessment by Archdiocese of Washington Education assessment by Archdiocese of Washington
\$43,065	School assessment

Summary

Income

Expenses

\$1,095,521 Collections \$1,378,831 Other Revenues \$2,474,352 Total	\$323,721 \$190,936 \$116,529 \$88,619 \$368,267 \$536,836 \$179,038 \$1,803,947	Parish Life & worship Rectory & parish clergy Religious education Social concerns Administration Physical plant Parish other Total	
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Income less Expenses: \$670,405

The financial health of the parish—**extraordinary** during this year of years—is a remarkable testimony to your generosity and the careful stewardship of our Finance Council and Pam Erwin, our Business Manager. I also credit the dramatic cuts in hours and salaries sustained by the staff, including those affecting the Schola Cantorum, the Contemporary Choir, and the Spanish Choir, and our PPP loan of \$241,200 in April 2020. We **made no major repairs**, incurred lower utilities due to reduced operations, and paid no Mass stipends to extern priests. These cuts made a HUGE difference in the budget.

As life gradually opens to the new reality, **expenses will increase significantly**. We are being extremely cautious in budgeting for the coming year. While it is impossible to know what the future holds, our assumptions include some reduced operations throughout the coming fiscal year, including restrictions on in-person gatherings and choral music-making. We also anticipate the continued suspension of some other ministries until it is safe to resume them.

Our surplus was outstanding—but now, for **the new reality**: costly repair work to correct serious problems with our gutters has begun; and work is needed on the AC compressor, Cathedral carpeting, Cathedral front steps, and East bathrooms. In our new reality we will depend on your generosity to proceed. I really appreciate all who contribute weekly. God bless you.

Thank you. Your support during these difficult times fills me with **gratitude** and even awe! We don't know what the future holds, but if there's one thing we've learned it is that we CAN carry on in circumstances we never could have imagined. You have made that possible. Just one little commercial: if you are not participating in **FaithDirect**, **please do so**. It's a simple process to register (membership.faithdirect.net/enroll/DC284; Church code 284). Those who used online giving or otherwise made substantial donations **saved us**. I am so very grateful.

God bless you all. No matter how much or how little you can contribute, every little bit helps. What is important is to give what you can. God has given us so much. For that we are so grateful. Let us make a return gift by giving to our parish.

Again, thank you and God bless.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Monald Jameson

Rev. Msgr. W. Ronald Jameson Rector