

Saint Anne Catholic Community

Annual Stewardship Report

July 2014–June 2015

Dear People of Saint Anne,

Gratitude and Generosity are two words that in the most concise way describe a lifestyle of stewardship – taking time each day in our lives to give thanks and then finding ways to give back to benefit the larger and common good of God’s people with whom we share a covenant relationship. Our Annual Stewardship report this year is a picture of what can happen when a Christian community lives out those two words with conviction, choice and a commitment to that covenant.

The Catholic Community of Saint Anne is gifted in so many ways. We take responsibility for those gifts we know, as we gratefully acknowledge that all we have is a gift from God and then share those abundant gifts given to us generously. This annual parish stewardship report represents the commitment of the people of Saint Anne to the practical spirituality that committed followers of Jesus practice and embrace as a way of life.

Gathering for Sunday worship, making time for personal prayer and growing in the knowledge of our faith is the first step. At every monthly newcomer welcoming session, the main reason that people cite, as to why they have chosen to join our parish community, is the warm welcome and hospitality they experience as they enter our doors and the recognition they observe regarding the prayerful and celebrative quality of our Sunday worship. As we know, our Sunday worship of God is the foundation and the energy for the ways that we live, love and serve in the week to come.

Our commitment to life long faith formation is one of the cornerstones of our faith community. Countless hours of service are given each year by faith filled members of our parish as catechists in our religious faith formation sessions for our children and young people or as they take part in our **community faith opportunities** that bring families together to deepen and enrich their own understanding as to what it means to be a servant disciple of Christ. Over 1200 parishioners grew in their relationship with Christ through their participation in these gatherings over the last year.

This past year, we also hosted a parish mission offered by the Sparough family and the play *Damien* with Wayne Messmer. Both events were well attended and served to challenge us to shape our lives more fully in the spirit of Christ.

Our PATHS Confirmation program for our high school young people is one of the finest that I have ever seen, and along with our Spiritus and Kairos retreats and the summer mission trips, offer over 250 high school young people the opportunity to hear and know the invitation to honor Christ’s call in their lives and to love one another as Christ loves us.

Our Parish Grammar School continues to grow Christian servant leaders from the inside out. We are blessed by a deeply committed and dedicated Principal, faculty and staff who prepare our children academically and spiritually to navigate their dreams and the challenges they will face in all the times and seasons of their young unfolding lives with the word of the Gospel as their guide.

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As Pope Francis continues to remind us, we have a great responsibility to minister to the poor, hungry, homeless as well as to those who are ill or to the families of those who have died and know the reality of grief in their lives. Hope Ministries, our Sharing Parish relationships, our Lenten Almsgiving that assisted NPH this past year and our food pantry ministry are living examples of taking the challenge of the Lord and the Pope's invitation to heart. The attentiveness of our 125 ministers of care, our bereavement ministers and our parish priests offer such comfort, care and hope to those who seek healing, courage and comfort as they face these difficult times of distress and loss in their lives.

I also would like to raise up the many wonderful and joyful events that we have known and shared together as a parish over this last year. Your presence and generous participation in our Community life celebrations that build up a spirit of fellowship between us were simply outstanding. Be it our Music under the Stars evenings that were such a delight for us all, or our Annual Fall Golf Classic and the Denim and Diamonds Gala that were not only major financial successes, but also provided parishioners the chance to grow closer together and to meet new people in a more relaxed and enjoyable way.

Today, I invite you to examine our Annual Stewardship Report proudly and completely. There is so much good news to share with you this year. Concretely, our parish stewardship income level was up 2% from the previous year – due in large part because of our outstanding fundraising events that exceeded budget by \$30, 000. In addition, we received a major gift to the parish school as well as an increase in matching gifts. Our expenses were reduced by 2% primarily because of a reduction in salaries and benefits.

So much happens in our parish community as we go about our daily activities of welcome, formation, service and prayer, that it would be impossible to contain it in a report five times this size. But this does give you a flavor of what we are able to do for God and God's People, when as parishioners you respond generously with your gifts of time, talent and treasure. We have only to deepen and grow that understanding to become an even more vibrant and engaged Catholic Community of Saint Anne and a witness to the reign of God in our midst and beyond ourselves.

I am profoundly grateful for all who give so much to the ministry and mission of our parish. Please know that it has been a privilege to serve and work with you, as your pastor over the last six years.

In the Lord who came among us that we might know life abundantly,

Rev. Bernard J. Pietrzak

Pastor

Margaret Buckstaff

Business and Operations Manager

The Parish Finance Council

David Wirt, Chair Andrew Kelleher, Jr.

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Revenue and Expense Summary

	2014/2015	2013/2014	Difference
REVENUE			
SUNDAY/HOLY DAY CONTRIBUTIONS	\$2,009,287	\$1,991,429	\$17,858
CHRISTMAS	\$223,550	\$217,959	\$5,591
EASTER	\$136,663	\$131,216	\$5,447
TUITION/FEES—SCHOOL/GIFT/YOUTH MINISTRY/JOURNEY/SACRAMENTS	\$2,306,900	\$2,333,620	(26,720)
PARISHWIDE FUNDRAISING	\$110,430	\$64,341	\$46,089
MISCELLANEOUS (Donations, School Library, Interest, Weddings Funerals, Baptisms, Masses, Bulletin Income)	\$197,390	\$160,631	\$36,759
TOTAL	\$4,984,220	\$4,899,196	\$85,024
EXPENSES			
SALARIES AND BENEFITS FOR PARISH AND SCHOOL	\$3,027,214	\$3,152,625	\$125,411
ARCHDIOCESAN ASSESSMENTS (Diocese, Priest Retirement, OCE)	\$362,879	\$348,778	(\$14,101)
REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE (Snow/Lawn Service, Janitorial Supplies)	\$316,832	\$264,914	(\$51,918)
BOOKS/SUPPLIES/EQUIPMENT	\$142,872	\$173,342	\$30,470
UTILITIES	\$282,897	\$279,893	(\$3,004)
ARCHDIOCESAN INSURANCE (Property/Casualty)	\$172,603	\$177,735	\$5,132
ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES (Technology, Supplies, Prof. Services, Dues)	\$307,492	\$307,335	(\$157)
CAPITAL AND OPERATING LOAN INTEREST EXPENSES	\$36,593	\$32,860	(\$3,733)
MISCELLANEOUS (Field Trips, Graduation, Parish Retreats, School Lunch Program, Ministry Expenses, Bulletin, Meeting and Speakers)	\$222,225	\$225,907	\$3,682
TOTAL	\$4,871,607	\$4,963,389	\$91,782
TOTAL SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	\$112,613	(\$64,193)	\$176,806

Note: Our contribution to the Parish School, including tuition assistance, was \$367,100.

Saint Anne by the numbers 2014-2015

3,855 Registered families (14,515 individuals)	135 Baptisms
83 New families joined our parish	137 First Communions
1,788 People attend Mass each weekend	119 Confirmations
1,293 Participants in Faith Formation	52 Weddings
419 Children attending Saint Anne School	58 Funerals
	5 RCIA candidates received into the Catholic Church

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Revenue and Expense Detail

Operating Revenue - Overall increase of 2% over previous year

Sunday/Christmas/Easter: This year parish overall contributions to Sunday/Christmas/Easter were *\$28,895 ahead of last year*. This increase can be attributed to both your commitment during last year's finance report to consider a 2% increase in your contributions along with additional people signing up for electronic giving. We now have 26% of our Sunday income given electronically from 431 families. In addition, our Fall Catch-Up collection netted over \$67,000.

Tuition/Fees: The -1% decrease year over year is attributable to a decrease in the number of students attending Saint Anne School and the Faith Formation Programs.

Parish Fundraising: We had an extremely successful year of Fundraising, raising over \$110,000 for our many ministries. In addition, the 'fund-a-cause' at the Denim and Diamonds Fundraiser this year raised \$30,000 for Scholarships for all of our youth formation programs. Last year, a total of \$84,660 in scholarships were awarded for Saint Anne School tuition, Faith Formation and Retreat Programs. These scholarships were funded by a grant from Project Hope, the Sr. Anne Bush Scholarship fundraiser in January, and by the parish fundraisers.

Miscellaneous Income: Miscellaneous income increased last year due to a \$20,000 donation to the school as well as an increase in matching gifts.

Operating Expenses – Overall decrease of 2% over previous year

Salaries and benefits: The slight decrease in this area is due primarily to the elimination of one full time maintenance person as well as the fact that the Children's Formation Coordinator position was open for the fiscal year.

Archdiocesan Assessments: Archdiocesan assessments are used to help to fund the Archdiocese training and other programs for our volunteers and our staff. They also include a per student assessment from the Office of Catholic Schools and the Priest Retirement and Mutual Aid Association.

Repairs and Maintenance: We carefully monitored our expenses in this area, performing needed preventive maintenance as well as our lawn service, snow removal and janitorial service. The services are regularly market tested to ensure that we are getting the best value for the services. Some of the increase in this area was due to locations around the parish that were in need of painting including the school hallways and the parish center gym. In addition, we have increased the hours for our janitorial crew due to the elimination of the maintenance employee. We have repaired and made maintenance improvements to our HVAC systems.

Books/Supplies/Equipment: During this past fiscal year, we have been able to manage these costs while maintaining the quality of all of these items. In addition, we did not experience the start up costs for disposable items in technology.

Utilities: These costs remained steady. Our expectation is with the improvements to our HVAC equipment, we will see a decline in these costs in the coming year.

Archdiocesan Insurance: This covers liability/facility insurance as well as auto insurance for all of our parish vehicles.

Administrative Expenses: This line item includes printing, postage, and office supplies. It also includes professional service fees for the technology support throughout the parish, our school counselor and speakers for many events throughout the parish.

Loan Interest: The increase is due to one extra payment being made in 2014-2015. It will be a great advantage to the parish when the loan is paid in full and we are able to apply this money to funding the many ministries within the parish. *Our Building Debt was reduced by \$45,838 last year, and now stands at \$635,278.*

Miscellaneous: A significant portion of these expenses are the Mission Trips and Retreats for the teens in our parish. The number of teens that wish to participate in these activities has increased in size every year. Some of these costs are offset by Miscellaneous Income.

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SAINT ANNE BALANCE SHEET	2014-2015	2013-2014
ASSETS		
CASH/EQUIVALENTS-SAINT ANNE	\$400,945	\$247,965
CASH/EQUIVALENTS-ST ANNE PROJECT HOPE MINISTRY	\$1,058,559	\$888,541
TOTAL ASSETS	\$1,459,504	\$1,136,506
LIABILITIES		
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE/CARRY OVER	\$24,539	\$35,074
PREPAID TUITION/FEES	\$162,164	\$135,513
PROJECT HOPE MINISTRY	\$1,058,559	\$888,541
BUILDING DEBT	\$635,278	\$681,116
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$1,880,540	\$1,740,244
NET ASSETS	-\$421,036	-\$603,738
TOTAL LIABILITIES/EQUITY	\$1,459,504	\$1,136,506

EXTRAORDINARY INCOME	
Archdiocesan Collections	\$ 63,644
Lenten Alms /Fair Trade/Nepal	\$ 28,234
Debt Reduction/Complete the Journey	\$ 42,273
Estates/Donations/Appeal Rebate	\$ 79,911
TOTAL	\$214,062
EXTRAORDINARY EXPENSES	
Archdiocesan Collections	\$ 64,235
Lenten Alms/Fair Trade/Nepal	\$ 29,982
Capital Expenses*	\$ 50,054
TOTAL	\$144,271
NET	\$ 69,791

*Capital expenses include upgrades to our Technology infrastructure and equipment as well as Concrete repairs around the entire campus.

2014-2015 Registered Parishioner Sunday Giving

Annual Giving	Weekly Giving	# of Contributing Families	% of Registered Contributors	Total Dollars Received
Over \$10,000	Over \$192	6	<1%	\$125,750
\$5,000-\$9,999	\$96-\$192	46	1%	\$295,700
\$2,500-\$4,999	\$48-\$96	120	3%	\$399,980
\$1,000-\$2,499	\$19-\$48	415	11%	\$617,160
\$500-\$999	\$9-\$19	315	8%	\$214,052
Under \$500	\$1-\$9	740	19%	\$127,234
Not recordable		2,213	58%	\$211,553

The recordable totals represent the families that give through their envelope or electronic giving representing 1,642 out of 3,855 registered families. The other 2,213 cannot be traced to a particular family.

Above is a summary of the giving patterns of contributing parishioners for the last fiscal year. It notes how many families gave in what category, the percentage of contributors that number represents, and the total amount that we were able to record of the Sunday Contributions in 2014-2015, which was \$1,991,429. 58% of our registered parishioners are not giving to the parish in a manner that we can record, if at all. Although we do try to track loose checks, \$211,553 was given as loose checks or cash that could not be recorded during this time period. On average, approximately \$4,000 per week is attributable.