



strengthening our faith

by rebuilding our heritage

November 2023

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 2024, 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 2022 – 2023

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 2023, for example, figures are for July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023.

Parish Snapshot

2023	2022	2021	
2,260	2,254	2,352	Registered households
4,171	4,133	4,190	Individual members
396	404	460	FaithDirect participants
713	757	777	Contributing registered households
6	6	6	Masses/weekend
17	17	17	Daily Masses/week
2	2	2	Livestreamed Masses/week

Sacramental Celebrations

2023	2022	2021	
80	97	53	Infant baptisms
9	10	17	Adult baptisms
10	11	4	Professions of Faith
56	35	67	First Holy Communions
118	116	88	Confirmations
10	14	17	Funerals
59	68	52	Weddings

Income

For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, our total parish income was \$2,392,189, and our total parish expenses were \$2,532,076.

A **sampling of income categories for FY2023**, as compared with figures for prior fiscal years, is below.

2023	2022	2021	
\$889,039	\$858,612	\$805,461	Offertory collections
69,349	61,183	55,831	Building fund
89,249	68,183	82,626	Christmas collections
69,843	67,110	104,392	Christmas Friends campaign
68,906	36,114	24,679	Easter collections
174,510	260,587	234,623	Contributions & donations
25,000	144,566	35,480	Bequests
50,118	46,176	43,236	Poor box
19,770	16,345	18,185	Adopt-a-Family (Christmas, T'giving, Easter, Back-to-School)
13,430	4,280	16,187	Homeless project
56,593	37,447	3,570	Votive candles
642,528	626,088	621,461	1717 Rhode Island Avenue lease
79,847	95,308	57,095	Sacramental offerings (Weddings, Baptisms, Funerals)

Expenses

A **sampling of expenses for FY2023**, as compared with figures for prior fiscal years, is below.

2023	2022	2021	
\$1,133,065	\$1,075,740	\$1,012,652	Salaries, choirs & benefits
12,497	12,757	12,466	Christmas Friends campaign
24,591	15,729	3,716	Sanctuary candles
21,051	24,794	-	<i>Catholic Standard</i>
16,453	11,452	-	Mass programs
9,674	6,566	6,248	Christmas decorations
16,979	12,352	12,928	Rectory food
10,926	11,119	7,141	Homeless Ministry supplies
11,192	14,850	14,712	Adopt-a-Family (Christmas & Thanksgiving)
3,344	7,524	8,254	Rental/utilities assistance
21,275	17,457	18,581	Security (rectory)
20,762	20,900	21,202	FaithDirect fees
67,675	40,228	10,957	Thorton AC/Heat & Repair/maintenance
132,450	130,420	112,025	Utilities (oil, gas, electricity)
92,900	95,049	92,508	Property insurance
115,006	110,375	103,355	Offertory assessment by Archdiocese of Wash.
28,752	27,595	25,839	Education assessment by Archdiocese of Wash.
47,905	45,990	43,065	School assessment

Summary/Operating Budget

Income

2023	2022	2021	
\$1,252,205	\$1,135,489	\$1,095,521	Collections
1,139,984	1,288,425	1,378,831	Other Revenues
2,392,189	2,423,914	2,474,352	Total

Expenses

2023	2022	2021	
\$490,709	\$433,710	\$323,721	Parish life & worship
225,179	204,647	190,936	Rectory & parish clergy
158,371	134,836	116,529	Religious education
89,061	93,263	88,619	Social concerns
392,460	397,497	368,267	Administration
617,008	678,018	536,836	Physical plant
559,288	628,796	179,038	Parish other
2,532,076	2,570,767	1,803,946	Total

Income less expenses

2023	2022	2021
– \$139,887	– \$146,853	\$670,406

The financial health of the parish is “shaky.” You can see that we had a rather large deficit in our finances. We are also seeing now the results of inflation, prices climbing quickly, and our investments not growing. Our income is not keeping pace with the many increases in expenses. You see that in your lives as well: food, rent, transportation—everything!

In our new reality since the pandemic, we will continue to depend on your generosity. And I know I can count on you. Your donations do make a difference. I really appreciate all who contribute weekly. But we really need your help. Please consider whether it is **possible to contribute just a little more**.

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. 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.

Again, thank you and God bless.

Sincerely yours in Christ,



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Rector