



Corpus Christi Catholic Church

THE BODY OF CHRIST—BECOMING DISCIPLES



NOVEMBER 3, 2024 | 31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Corpus Christi Catholic Church

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13 Prizes

- 1 Register/Update Info
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Building a strong, supportive, and connected parish family is central to God's plan for us. Take home the Get Connected card in the pews, scan the QR code, and enter our giveaway for a chance to win one of 13 cash prizes, including a \$100 Visa gift card and a \$200 shopping spree! After Mass, visit us outside under the canopy, where our team will be ready to help with registrations and more ways to get plugged in!

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

THE LORD

OUR GOD IS LORD ALONE.

— MARK 12:29 —

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Text **JOINCC** to **84576** or go to flocknote.com/corpuschristicc for latest communications from the parish.

THE BODY OF CHRIST

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Greg Furseth, President of the Finance Council



LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

New Lector Training
Tuesday, Nov. 5 at 7pm

Those interested in ministering as Lectors at Mass are invited to register for our next training by scanning the QR code or visiting: <https://corpuschristicc.flocknote.com/signup/185832>

When you register, you'll also find a link to a short on-line course about the role of the Lector in the Mass that needs to be done in advance. Bring your certificate of completion from the course to the in-person training. We will go over specifics for our parish and practice proclaiming the Word at the ambo.

MISSION STATEMENT: Corpus Christi Catholic Church strives to be a welcoming community proclaiming the love of God and fostering a life-long personal relationship with Jesus Christ and His Church through Scripture, Sacraments, and service.

MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKEND MASS

Sat Vigil: 4pm

Sun: 7am, 8:30am, 10:30am, 5pm

DAILY MASS

Mon-Sat: 8:15am

Tues: 6:00pm

Fri: 6:30am

CONFESSIONS

Tues: 5:00-5:45pm

Thurs: 7:00-8:00pm

Sat: 2:30-3:30pm

ROSARY

Sun: 4:15pm (Family Holy Rosary)

Tue: 9:15am (Rosario en Español)
5:15pm (Rosary for our Youth)

Thu: 6:30pm (Rosary for Life)

OFFICE HOURS

PARISH OFFICE

	Mornings	Afternoons
Mon	9-11:30am	1-5pm
Tues	9-11:30am	3-5pm
Wed	9-11:30am	1-5pm
Thurs	9-11:30am	1-5pm
Fri	9-11:30am	Closed
Sat & Sun	Closed	Closed

FAITH FORMATION OFFICE

Mon: 10:00 am-3:00pm

Tues: 2:30 pm-7:45pm

Wed: 10:00am-4:30pm

Thurs: 10:00 am-3:00pm

GIFT SHOP

Open after the Saturday Vigil Mass & the Sunday morning Masses.

PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Please help us keep every hour covered by checking AdorationPro.org/corpusaz for any times when adorers are urgently needed.

Prayer partners are also wanted for any hour. They are especially needed each day from midnight-6am.

"The lives of the saints and blessed show us the importance of the Eucharist on our journey as disciples of Jesus."

- *The Mystery of the Eucharist in the Life of the Church (51)*

Become a prayer partner!
Help each other on your journey to become saints!



CPPI MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, November 3

7:00 am Parishioners
 8:30 am Deceased members of Legion of Mary worldwide
 10:30 am All Souls Novena
 5:00 pm Anthony Caravana

Monday, November 4

St. Charles Borromeo
 8:15 am All Souls Novena

Tuesday, November 5

8:15 am All Souls Novena
 6:00 pm Marie Gonclaves

Wednesday, November 6

8:15 am All Souls Novena

Thursday, November 7

8:15 am All Souls Novena

Friday, November 8

6:30 am All Souls Novena
 8:15 am † Robert Walton

Saturday, November 9

The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
 8:15 am All Souls Novena
 4:00 pm † J. J. Nikolaisen

Sunday, November 10

7:00 am Parishioners
 8:30 am All Souls Novena
 10:30 am † Dora Gonzalez
 5:00 pm † Megan Wenker



Gracela Luna

Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and perpetual light shine upon her. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.



Mark Blayne-Moore, Christopher Brassington, Randy Booth, Barbara Danielson, Patrick DiLeo, Kathleen Fordyce, Rosie Grover, Lori Klipfel, Pat Koling, Patrick MacFarland, Jackie Manning, Mike MacFarland, Sandy McVeigh, Antonio Mejia, Michael Mejia, Peter Nielsen, Carole Oeverndiek, Dee Peterson, Carol Picco, Bob Radcliffe, Manuel Rivas, Elena Rodriguez, Nancy Shores, Dcn. Phil Simeone, Chuck Simmers, Chester Stanislawski, Trisha Stuart, Jeff Trojan, Cheryl Ureta, Bryce Weinheimer

PARISH CONTRIBUTIONS OCTOBER 20, 2024

TITHING

Weekly Total	\$30,115.78
Weekly Budget	\$31,245.00
Weekly Deficit.....	(\$1,129.22)
Fiscal Year-to-date Total	\$476,574.54
Fiscal Year-to-date Budget.....	\$483,275.00
Fiscal Year-to-date Deficit.....	(\$6,700.46)

OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS

Miscellaneous.....	\$25.45
World Mission Sunday	\$743.00
Building Fund Collection.....	\$942.75
Building Fund Balance	\$85,434.02



ONLINE GIVING:

Safe • Simple
Secure

Thank you for your generous gifts to our parish!

We are using a new tool for online giving that makes tithing more secure and simple for you. You don't need to create a password or even log in to donate each week! You can set up a one-time or recurring gift by credit card, debit card, or ACH in just a few clicks. Simply scan the QR code here or click the green **GIVE NOW** button at corpuschristiphx.org.



Regardless of how you choose to give, thank you for your continued generosity! Your support not only makes a difference within our own parish, but also throughout our local community!

As the Body of Christ — Becoming Disciples, we are called to serve each other in many ways. As a family of families, we know the needs are great. Together, we can do more than any one person or family could do alone.



BABY SAFE HAVEN

Did you know that Corpus Christi is a Baby Safe Haven? A parent or agent of a parent can leave an unwanted, unharmed newborn baby at a designated Baby Safe Haven without fear of prosecution or answering any questions. They can remain anonymous. A baby can be left at the Parish Office during normal office hours. After hours, take the baby to the nearest fire station or hospital.

Consolation & Desolation

Jen Arnold, M.A. in Theology and Catechetics — www.CatholicHeartAblaze.com

Each of us is on our own spiritual journey with a natural ebb and flow. Sometimes, we feel great in our relationship with God, and everything is smooth sailing, while at other times, it feels like we are fighting against the tide. Today, we will examine a couple of terms popularized by St. Ignatius of Loyola in his *Spiritual Exercises* to describe these interior movements of the soul and our relationship with God: consolation and desolation. It is important to recognize that both consolation and desolation are normal parts of the spiritual journey. Even Jesus experienced moments of desolation, most notably in the Garden of Gethsemane. By learning to recognize and respond to these spiritual states, we can deepen our faith and navigate the challenges of the spiritual life more effectively.

Understanding Consolation

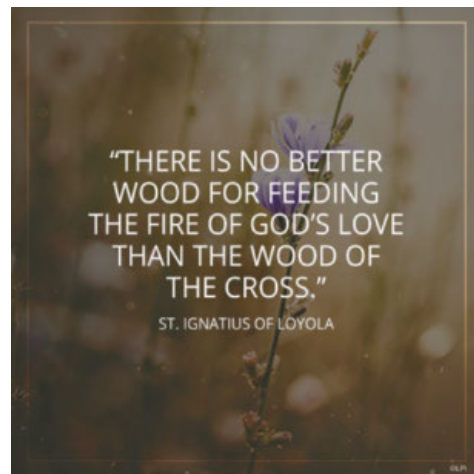
Spiritual consolation, according to St. Ignatius, is a state in which the soul feels drawn toward God and experiences a sense of peace, joy, and spiritual vitality. It is important to note that consolation is not simply a feeling of happiness or contentment. Rather, it is a spiritual experience deeply rooted in the soul that orients us toward God and increases our faith, hope, and love. In times of consolation, it is common to experience a deep sense of God's presence and

love, an increased desire for prayer and spiritual practices, greater clarity in discernment and decision-making, a heightened awareness of God's work in our lives and the world, and tears of joy or sorrow that lead us closer to God.

Consolation is a gift from God, and there is nothing we can do to create it for ourselves. Therefore, St. Ignatius wisely counsels us on how to respond to consolation and use these periods to prepare for future desolation. First and foremost, recognize the consolation you are receiving as a gift and remain humble and grateful for receiving it. Savor it and don't take it for granted! This is a good time for establishing, solidifying, or expanding your prayer routine so the framework is in place for the times when it will be more challenging. Study scripture and spiritual writings while your heart and soul are energized, open, and receptive to God's transformative love. This is also a great time to journal about your awareness of God's presence in your life so you can return to it as a reminder in periods of desolation.

Understanding Desolation

Spiritual desolation, on the other hand, is characterized by a sense of distance from God, spiritual dryness or aridity, and a lack of fervor in our faith. You may feel a spiritual heaviness,



sadness, and a lack of clarity. It is common to experience a movement to earthly things and attachments to worldly desires over spiritual goods. There may be a diminished sense of faith, hope, and charity as well as an increase in sloth and tepidity toward your prayer and spiritual life. Overall, you will experience feelings of distance or disconnection from God.

St. Ignatius emphasizes that spiritual desolation is caused by the influence of the "evil spirit" and is contrary to consolation. It is important to note that desolation itself is not sinful, though it may tempt one to sin. St. Ignatius provides three main reasons why God may permit spiritual desolation. The first reason is due to our own fault. Sometimes, desolation results from our negligence or tepidity in our spiritual practices or our sinful choices. The second reason is to test our faith and perseverance

in serving God without the "payment" of the good feelings that come with consolation. The third reason is to serve as a reminder of our dependence on God in recognizing that spiritual consolations are purely gifts from God and not something we can attain (or maintain) on our own.

While St. Ignatius primarily focuses on spiritual desolation, it is important to distinguish between spiritual and natural desolation, as they can often be intertwined. Spiritual desolation is characterized by a loss of spiritual fervor, doubts about faith, and a sense of distance from God. St. Ignatius primarily addresses this type of desolation in his rules for discernment. Natural desolation, on the other hand, arises from natural causes such as physical illness, lack of sleep, stress, or difficult life circumstances. While not directly spiritual in nature, natural desolation can significantly impact our spiritual life and contribute to spiritual desolation. For example, prolonged stress or lack of sleep can lead to irritability and difficulty concentrating, making prayer and spiritual practices more challenging. This natural desolation can then contribute to a sense of spiritual dryness or distance from God, potentially leading to spiritual desolation. It's important to recognize the connection between natural and spiritual desolation. Addressing natural causes of

desolation can often alleviate spiritual desolation as well. However, it is important not to reduce all spiritual experiences to purely natural causes, as this can lead to neglecting the spiritual dimension of our lives.

Just as St. Ignatius provides practical advice in times of consolation, he does the same for periods of desolation. First, be patient, knowing that consolation will return. Remember that journal you kept during your periods of consolation? This is a great time to read and reflect on it. Intensify your spiritual practices by increasing your prayer, meditation, and self-examinations, even though they may be difficult and you don't receive any good feelings from them. Satan loves these periods, so stand firm against negative impulses and resist temptations. Practice gratitude, thanking God even amid difficulties. Trust that He is allowing this experience for your personal growth. Finally, one of St. Ignatius's most crucial pieces of advice is never make significant changes during periods of desolation. This wisdom is rooted in the understanding that desolation can cloud our judgment and lead us astray.

Given the complexity of discerning between consolation and desolation, St. Ignatius also highly valued spiritual direction. A skilled spiritual director can help us navigate these experiences, offering guidance, perspective, and support. As you mature in your spiritual life, consider finding a good spiritual director for yourself.

Our spiritual lives will inevitably experience both consolation and desolation. The key is not to be overwhelmed by these movements, but to learn to navigate them with wisdom and grace. We can develop a more nuanced and mature spiritual life by understanding and applying St. Ignatius's teachings on consolation and desolation. We learn to praise God in times of consolation and to pray fervently in times of desolation, coming to see both experiences as opportunities for deepening our relationship with God. This week, reflect on the periods of consolation and desolation you've experienced in your life and how you have responded to them. If you are moved to do so, journal about those experiences so that you can reference them later.



Catholic Heart Ablaze

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FAITH FORMATION

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Youth Sacrament Preparation

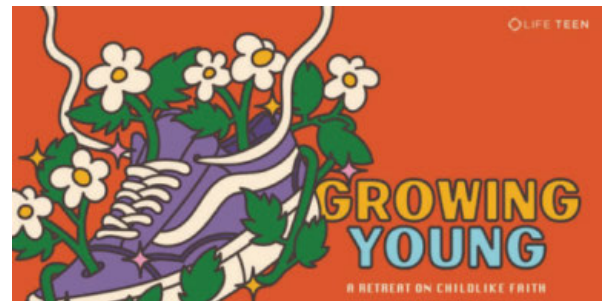
Registration is open and ongoing for students in 4th-12th grades needing the Sacraments of Baptism, First Communion, and/or Confirmation! **Classes are Sundays from 3:00pm-4:30pm.** Register using the QR code. Please contact Rob Curtis in the Faith Formation Office at rob.curtis@corpuschristiphx.org for more information.

2024-25 Youth Sacrament Preparation/OCIA for Children



Life Teen Fall Retreat *Growing Young*

All high school teens are welcome to join us on our Fall 2024 Retreat! This retreat is one full day of praise and worship, talks, confession, prayer, community, and Mass.



Date: Saturday, November 9

Time: 8:30am - 9:00pm

Location: Franciscan Renewal Center
(5802 E Lincoln Dr, Scottsdale, AZ 85253)

Parents will be responsible for drop off & pick-up. If you would like to carpool with other parents, that is acceptable, but Corpus Christi will not be coordinating carpools.

Cost: \$75 per teen

Registration Deadline: November 5, 2024

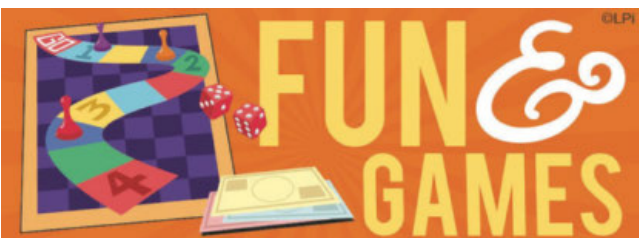
Family Mass, Potluck, & Parish Game Night

Save the Date:

Saturday, November 16

**Family Mass: 5:30pm in the Church
Followed by Potluck & Games
in the Parish Center**

Stay tuned for additional information in next week's bulletin.



Women's Leadership and Advisory Team Commissioners Application

St. Paul encourages us to fan into flame the gifts God has given us. Prayerfully consider joining us as a commissioner on our Women's Ministries Leadership and Advisory team. You will not be doing it alone! Our current Women's Ministries Task Force will find a mentor for you as a leader. Please scan the QR code to fill out an application. Contact Rob Curtis, Director of Faith Formation and Family Ministry, with any questions at rob.curtis@corpuschristiphx.org or 480-893-8770 x 227.

Women's Leadership and Advisory Team Commissioners





KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Blood Drive
Sunday, November 10
7:30am-12:30pm in the Parish Center



Three Lucky Donors Will Win BIG!

During this season of gratitude, we honor the profound impact donors have on patients in need. Now it's our turn to make a difference in your life! **Donate Nov. 1-Dec. 1 for a chance to win one of three \$10,000 gift cards!*** Book your appointment today.

Corpus Christi Catholic Church BLOOD DRIVE

Sunday, November 10

7:30 am - 12:30 pm

Parish Center



To schedule an appointment, scan the QR code, visit vitalant.org (Sponsor Code: corpuschristi), For any questions call Vitalant at 877-258-4825.

PROMO DISCLAIMER

*Terms and condition apply; see vitalant.org/MakeADifferenceGiveaway

For more information or to schedule a donation, call 877.25.VITAL or visit us at vitalant.org
Find us @vitalant:  



**17th Annual
Knights' Kids Event**
Save the Date:
Saturday, December 7

This annual event is just over a month away and we need your support **now** to help the students from Frank Elementary in Guadalupe! We have the potential to clothe over 40 children this year with the help of your donations. The estimated cost per child is \$135, though donations of any amount are appreciated. Make checks payable to: **K of C 10062 Charities, Inc.** and note "Knights' Kids" on the memo line. Mail or deliver checks to the Parish Office:

Corpus Christi Catholic Church

c/o Knights of Columbus 10062 Charities, Inc.

3550 E Knox Rd

Phoenix, AZ 85044

Interested in volunteering? Participation is open to all parishioners. Up-to-date Safe Environment Training is required. Participants will meet at the JCPENNEY on Ray Road on Saturday, December 7 at 7:30am. For those of us who have participated before, you know that this is one of the most joyful and heart-warming events of the year. For those who have not experienced Knights' Kids, please consider doing so this year either as a participant, sponsor or both. Thank you for your support of this wonderful event.



Ye Olde Christmas Shoppe & Gingerbread House Contest

Save the Date AND Your Christmas Items!

December 7 & 8 After ALL Masses



Join us for our 10th Annual Ye Olde Christmas Shoppe and Gingerbread House Contest! This has become a wonderful parish tradition and we invite you to join us again this year! All proceeds benefit our St. Vincent de Paul conference and area families in need. Bring you gently-used Christmas items to the Parish Center on Sat. December 7 from 7am-4pm. Curbside drop-off will be available from 8am-12pm for your convenience. The Shoppe will be open after the Saturday Vigil Mass and on Sunday from 7am-12pm during the Pancake Breakfast, as well as after the 5pm Mass. Items will not be priced. Instead, "free will" donations will be accepted to help those in need in our community. If you would like to volunteer to help, please sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E084AAEA823AAFB6-51202482-annual#/> or scan the QR code above.

Don't forget to bring your gingerbread house creations! All categories are open to both individual and team/family entries. Houses need to be dropped off by 4pm on Sat. December 7 as voting will begin after the vigil Mass. If you have questions, email Toni: toniq58@gmail.com or text 480-388-9037.



EARLY BULLETIN SUBMISSION DEADLINES

Beginning with the bulletin for Sun. Nov. 17, announcements will need to be submitted 13 days in advance due to the holidays.

Please send submissions to christi.deg@corpuschristiphx.org

Bulletin	Due Date
Nov. 17	Nov. 4
Nov. 24	Nov. 11
Dec. 1	Nov. 18
Dec. 8	Nov. 25
Dec. 15	Dec. 2
Dec. 22	Dec. 9
Dec. 29	Dec. 16
Jan. 5	Dec. 23

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

*** DECEMBER 9TH IS A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION!!! ***

In 2024, December 8 is the Second Sunday of Advent, so the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception is transferred to Monday, December 9. **Previously**, in the US, when the DATE was transferred the obligation was abrogated. **That will no longer be true.** Upon receiving clarification from the Holy See regarding this matter, it was determined that “the feast must be observed as a day of obligation on the day to which it is transferred.” **In light of this new directive, the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception on Monday, December 9, 2024 is to be observed as a Holy Day of Obligation.**

Mass Times

Sunday, December 8: Vigil Mass at 7:00pm*
 Monday, December 9 at 8:15am & 6:00pm

**Please note, if you attend the vigil Mass, you will still need to attend an additional Mass that weekend to fulfill your obligation for the Second Sunday of Advent.*



© Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee.

Parish Advent Mission with Fr. Zachary of the Mother of God, SOLT
 Save the Dates: December 9, 10, 11 at 7pm each night

NIGHT OF NATIVITIES

Save the Date

Saturday, December 14 at 5pm

Attention all parishioners! You are invited to our third annual *Night of Nativities* on Sat. Dec. 14, 2024 from 5-8pm in the Parish Center. It will be a night to celebrate the birth of Jesus and our Catholic Faith by viewing nativity displays belonging to fellow parishioners in our

church community. Come and enjoy this beautiful evening, which will include Christmas music and light refreshments. More details coming soon, with a sign-up link for those who would like to display their nativities. If you shared your Nativity with us in the past, please feel free to do so again! Every year, new faces show up to enjoy this event!





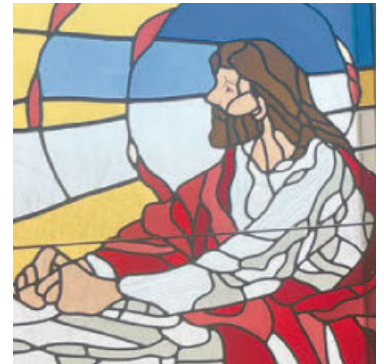
Annual 2023-2024

Stewardship Report

Let us give thanks to God for a fruitful fiscal year! We've welcomed many new faces and continued on our journey of becoming disciples! Let us continue to be steadfast in our goal to grow in holiness and serve others in Christ.

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**Infant & Child
Baptisms**



Making Blessing Bags



624

**Homebound
Received
Communion**



Fr. Rey Helps Build a Chapel in the Philippines





Corpus Christi Catholic Church

The Body of Christ becoming disciples.

Annual Financial Report

FY2024 (July 2023-June 2024)

INCOME	FY 2023-2024	FY 2022-2023
Parishioner Giving/Tithing (1)	\$2,141,959	\$1,740,654
Building Fund (Pink Envelopes)	71,307	62,918
Other Income (2)	119,460	111,319
Total Income (excluding *Together Campaign)	\$2,332,726	\$1,914,891

EXPENSES		
Salaries, Benefits, & Ongoing Formation for Staff & Clergy (2 priests, 12 full-time staff, 7 part-time staff)	1,027,048	\$917,921
Hospitality & Faith Formation for Parishioners	130,823	96,185
Utilities, Maintenance, & Repairs	151,670	113,302
Administrative Expenses (3)	201,931	172,784
Charitable Donations	14,000	15,800
Chancery Assessment & Insurance (4)	340,535	330,860
Depreciation Expense (5)	158,616	120,566
TOTAL EXPENSES (6)	\$2,024,623	\$1,767,418
NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	\$308,103	\$147,473

*Together Let Us Go Forth Campaign Disbursements	\$13,000	\$23,000
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NOTES
(1) Includes Sunday Plate Offering, Online Giving, “mid-week” donations, stock donations, and trust donations
(2) Includes various fees, rental income, ministry income, votive candle income, gift shop income, interest income, gain on endowments, etc.
(3) Includes printing, postage, equipment, supplies and services, technology costs, liturgical supplies, Gift Shop cost of goods sold, banking fees, and other miscellaneous expenses
(4) Every parish is assessed a scaled percentage to support the diocesan office and larger Church. Also included is property and liability insurance
(5) This is a non-cash expense for accounting purposes
(6) Does not include the cost of the acquisition of depreciable capital assets for the parish



First, thank you to all the generous and sacrificial givers in our parish! We wouldn't even have a financial report without you! Over 94% of parish funds come from regular donations from you—our faithful supporters.

We aim to be as transparent as possible with parish finances as we strive to be good stewards of the parish funds entrusted to us. All gifts, large and small, are appreciated and important, and together, they make an impact. Our hope is to keep this financial report simple and easy to understand. If you have any questions, please reach out to our Parish Manager, Steve Mandarino, or any member of the Finance Council.

Over the past fiscal year, our income increased by 21%. A significant portion of that increase comes from a one-time trust donation of \$315,000 from a very generous parishioner. Even without that generous gift, we still saw a 5% increase. However, our expenses increased by 15%, which does not include special capital expenses (e.g., building improvements). Because of prudent financial planning, we've continued to maintain a surplus in each of the last few years. 35% of our total gifts came in the form of online giving. There are a variety of benefits to the parish (and to the parishioner) to give online, so we highly encourage you to consider giving in that way.

The increase in expenses also reflects that we were short-staffed for part of the last fiscal year, slightly skewing the numbers. Other contributing factors include increased costs from faith formation opportunities, higher maintenance expenses due to aging buildings, and overall cost increases.

Regarding building projects, last year's improvements include several capital expenses totaling \$69,694, including a new HVAC for classroom 6, remodeling the sacristy storage room to a Vestry (clergy dressing room), the renovation of one large office into two smaller offices, the buyout of our two Canon office copiers, and crack-fill, sealing, and striping of our two parking lots.

Because of our surplus this past year, we are planning many building projects in the near future including some or all of the following: painting the exterior of the church (which should be starting very soon!), a new shade structure for the children's courtyard, pew upholstery, surveillance/security improvements, irrigation and landscaping improvements, various flooring around campus, and general renovations to the classrooms and rectory.

Finally, we would like to touch on the expense of salaries, benefits, and ongoing formation for our parish priests and staff. Many people don't realize just how much work goes into administering a parish. A pastor's role is to care for the souls of all the parishioners (registered or not) within the parish boundaries, so surely, he cannot do it alone! We are blessed to have a very active parish with many things going on. They certainly keep our two priests, twelve full-time staff, and seven part-time staff members busy serving the parish! Rest assured that our hearts and minds are focused on the parish vision of becoming disciples and bringing all parishioners closer to our Lord Jesus Christ. Of course, the clergy and staff couldn't do it without the help of our many volunteers. Thank you for offering your time and talent to serve others in our parish and in our community! Let us always remember that we are all on a mission together to get to Heaven and that our actions affect each other.

Finally, because this is a recap specifically regarding finances, we'd like to offer one more note of gratitude to our parishioners who support the parish financially. Thank you for your faithful and generous financial support of the parish — YOUR parish!

With Gratitude,

Fr. Rey, Pastor, Steve Mandarino, Parish Manager, and the Finance Council (Greg Furseth, Rob Abeln, Elizabeth Ong, Steve Rivers, and Michael Meunier)

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Marriages



Trunk or Treat 2023



20
Adult
Baptisms



'Beloved' Women's Retreat 2024

"The generous will prosper; those who refresh others will themselves be refreshed." Prov. 11:25



Decorating for Christmas 2024

408
Anointings
of the Sick



Parish Picnic 2024



56
Funerals



Stations of the Cross 2023



Easter Parade 2023

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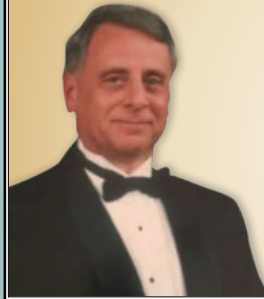


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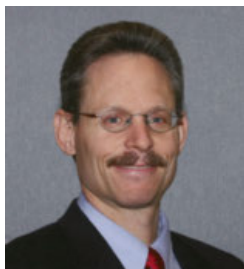


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(7AM Mass)

*Forsake me not, O Lord, my God; be not far from me!
Make haste and come to my help, O Lord, my strong salvation!*

TODAY'S READINGS

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time
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RESPONSORIAL

PSALM

Psalm 18

*I love you,
Lord, my
strength.*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

John 14:23

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Whoever loves me will keep my word, says the Lord;
and my father will love him and we will come to him.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

COMMUNION HYMN

I Love You Lord

by Matt Maher

Refrain:

*I love you, Lord. I love you, Lord.
I love you, Lord; you are my strength.*

My heart, it longs to be with you
and nothing else will ever do.
So at your throne is where I'll be,
'cause your flesh and blood consumes me,
and I am one with you.

Refrain

My stronghold, my refuge,
your righteousness will see me through.
In dark of night and thorn of sin,
I will stay close to you, my friend,
and I am one with you.

Refrain

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RECESSIONAL HYMN

Testify to Love

by P. Feld, H. Pool, R. Van Manen, & R. Riekerk

All the colors of the rainbow
All the voices of the wind
Every dream that reaches out
That reaches out to find where love begins
Every word of every story
Every star in every sky
Every corner of creation
Lives to testify

Refrain

*For as long as I shall live
I will testify to love
I'll be a witness in the silences
When words are not enough
With every breath I take
I will give thanks to God above
For as long as I shall live
I will testify to love*

From the mountains to the valleys
From the rivers to the sea
Every hand that reaches out
Every hand that reaches out to offer peace
Every simple act of mercy
Every step to kingdom come
All the hope in every heart
Will see what love has done

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