



SAINTS JAMES AND PATRICK PARISH

To remain in Christ and to reveal Christ to others

January 2019 Newsletter

Thank You!

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

There are many reasons to give thanks this year. Number one, I lived, thanks to the grace of God and my guardian angel. I recovered, thanks to God and your generous outpouring of prayers and support. [Thank You!](#)

My thanks also for your continued very generous support of our parish and our mission to remain in Christ and reveal Christ to others. This has been done in so many ways, as you have read in past newsletters. [Thank You!](#)

For your information and consideration, the financial report for the fiscal year 2017-18 that ended June 2018 is presented. This is a report of our stewardship as a parish. We often hear the word “stewardship” used in the context of money. Yes, the wise use of money is important! However, the word has a much richer meaning. The best definition that I have found is from the Diocese of Wichita: [“Stewardship is the grateful response of a Christian disciple who recognizes and receives God’s gifts and then shares these gifts in love of God and neighbor.”](#)

Your stewardship is evident in the way you use your gifts of time, talent, and money. The gift of time: especially in prayer and building relationships with family and friends. The gift of talents: by volunteering around the Parish, school, and greater Decatur community. The gift of hard earned money: by the way we return a portion back to God with gratitude, and by supporting our parish and other worthy causes that bring God’s love to others.

[Thank You!](#)

A Letter from our Pastor

As you look over the Financial Statement please note that most of the expenditures are for personnel. I am proud of our whole staff and the great work they do for our parish and school. These are the people who make the love of Jesus real for our students and parishioners.

Your generosity has made the love of Jesus real for many people beyond our parish, i.e., those who went to Belize on their own time and money to share their medical and other talents; the generosity of giving over \$47,000 through our Diocese for the poor and those whose lives were devastated by the hurricanes; over \$10,000 given to serve the poor in Decatur. [Thank You!](#)

Your support of the Advent Giving Tree and the WSOY food drive are not included in the financial statement. Of note, because of you, our parish school is back in the #1 spot for giving for the food drive. [Thank You!](#)

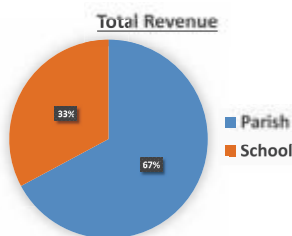
The Annual School Auction made a record of over \$70,000. And, we went over our ACSA goal for the third year in a row. [Thank You!](#)

Yes, we were \$31,000 in the hole at the end of the year. Much of this is due to changing the way we account for tuition. Old way: account for money when it is received, no matter if it is for the next year. New way: hold and count the money for the year for which it is paid. We also sent \$58,000 into savings with the Diocese. [Thank You!](#)

Together we are living our mission to remain in Christ and reveal Christ to others. [Thank You!](#)

God bless you, Fr. John C. Burnette

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Learn about our parish’s revenue and expenses during Fiscal Year 2017-18, and see the budget for Fiscal Year 2018-19.

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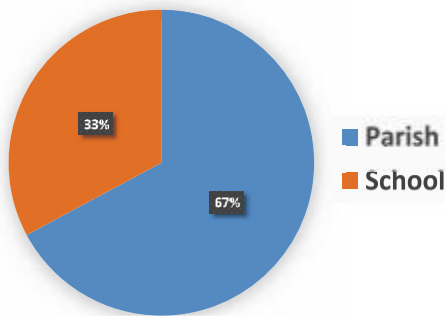
Fiscal Year 2017-18

<i>PARISH INCOME</i>	\$1,081,871	<i>SCHOOL INCOME</i>	\$528,751	<i>TOTAL REVENUE</i>	\$1,610,622
<i>PARISH EXPENSES</i>	\$556,704	<i>SCHOOL EXPENSES</i>	\$1,085,351	<i>TOTAL EXPENSES</i>	\$1,642,055
				<i>NET INCOME (LOSS)</i>	(\$31,433)

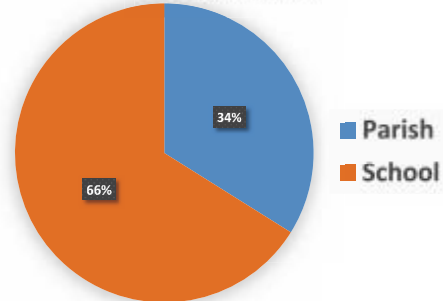
The financial figures and the graphs do not paint the full and beautiful picture. Our parishioners and school families contribute countless hours to serve our mission. Look around, we are about people giving of themselves, thanks be to God and to our generous people—good stewards!

Money is required for us to live our mission. Staff expect a pay check. We cannot wash dishes to pay our power bills. Please prayerfully consider what you are able to do as a financial steward to help our parish family live our God-given mission.

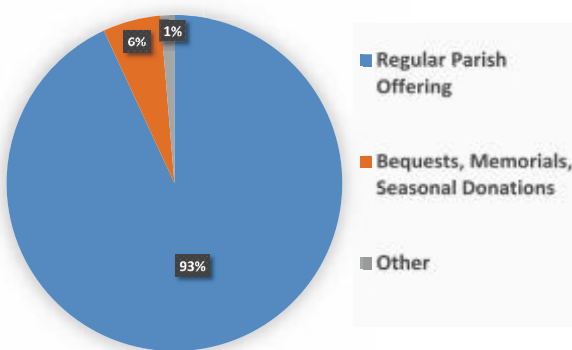
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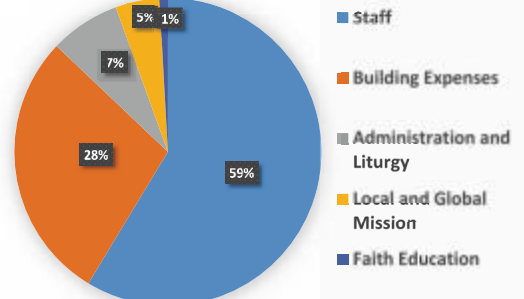
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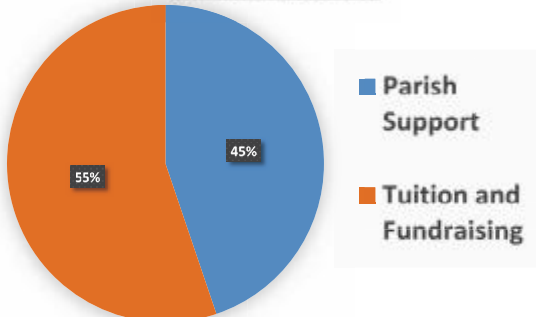
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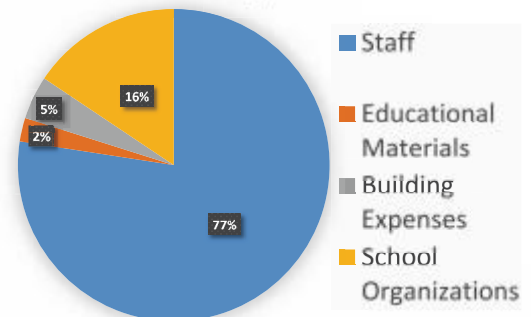
Parish Expenses



School Revenue



School Expenses



Fiscal Year 2017-18

2018-2019 Budget

Parish Income

Regular Parish Offering	\$	1,007,130	\$	990,300
Stole Fees	\$	7,675	\$	7,000
Religious Education, Bequests, Memorials, Seasonal Don.	\$	60,411	\$	79,400
Other Donations & Contributions (ex. Insurance Reimburse)	\$	2,775	\$	7,680
Interest Income	\$	3,880	\$	3,860
Total Parish Income:	\$	1,081,871	\$	1,088,240

School Income

Tuition / After School Care / Registration & Book Fees	\$	274,191	\$	278,000
School Organizations Income	\$	217,566	\$	164,500
Annual Fund	\$	19,289	\$	20,000
Other Income	\$	17,705	\$	30,500
Total School Income:	\$	528,751	\$	493,000

TOTAL REVENUE

\$	1,610,622	\$	1,581,240
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Parish Expenses

Wages	\$	206,955	\$	193,267
Benefits: Health Ins / Pension / Taxes	\$	101,809	\$	94,347
Contractual Services	\$	20,882	\$	15,605
Utilities	\$	51,769	\$	49,020
Building & Liability Insurance	\$	38,031	\$	40,000
Repairs & Maintenance	\$	47,020	\$	20,400
Equipment & Assets / Leasing & Rentals	\$	6,087	\$	6,200
Supplies: Office / Printing / House / Maintenance / Postage	\$	14,284	\$	14,600
Supplies: Altar / Sanctuary / Choir / Contribution Envelopes	\$	15,240	\$	15,600
Professional Fees (non-employees, workshops, speakers)	\$	7,181	\$	2,350
Major Buildings Repair / Maintenance	\$	6,658	\$	-
Charitable Contributions	\$	10,239	\$	10,400
Hospitality	\$	4,546	\$	4,801
Religious Education	\$	4,633	\$	4,700
Marketing & Advertising, Permits, Fees, Licensing	\$	4,914	\$	6,950
Catholic Times / ACSA (net \$0 for 2017-18)	\$	14,138	\$	14,000
Other Misc Expenses	\$	2,318	\$	4,010
Total Parish Expenses:	\$	556,704	\$	496,250

School Expenses

Wages	\$	638,113	\$	644,835
Benefits: Health Ins / Pension / Taxes	\$	184,773	\$	192,037
Contractual Services	\$	8,888	\$	7,450
Utilities	\$	24,467	\$	24,880
Building and Liability Insurance	\$	12,738	\$	13,000
Repairs & Maintenance	\$	7,058	\$	6,100
Equipment, Assets, & Leasing	\$	3,556	\$	3,900
Supplies: Office / Maintenance / Janitorial	\$	8,141	\$	8,300
Books/Educational Supplies	\$	17,165	\$	24,100
Mangan & Braun Scholarship Awards	\$	12,800	\$	8,000
Professional Fees (non-employees, workshops, speakers)	\$	694	\$	250
Major Buildings Repair / Maintenance	\$	-	\$	-
School Organizations Expenses	\$	166,016	\$	164,500
Other Misc Expenses	\$	982	\$	2,150
Total School Expenses	\$	1,085,351	\$	-

TOTAL EXPENSES

\$	1,642,055	\$	1,099,502
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Net Income (loss)

\$	(31,433)	\$	1,595,752
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Diocesan Collections

\$	47,138	\$	(14,512)
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Beginning Cash Balance - July 1, 2017

\$	205,287		
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+Net Income (loss)

\$	(31,433)		
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+Change in asset and liability accounts

\$	26,159		
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+Fr. Mangan Scholarship Money—withdrawn from Diocese

\$	11,375		
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-Money invested with Diocese

\$	(58,240)		
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Ending Cash Balance - June 30, 2018

\$	153,148		
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Living Our Mission

2018 Year in Review

We need more photos to post online, in our newsletter, and keep for historical records. If you're at a parish event, please take photos and email them to priort@ssjpparish.com



School Choir Trip



Bell Tower Repair



Youth Reaching Out



St. Patrick Students In STREAM



NET Retreat



Saints Walk on All Saints' Day



Mission to Belize



WDCR Radio



Feeding the Hungry



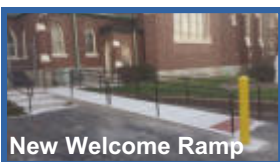
Reaching out to Elders



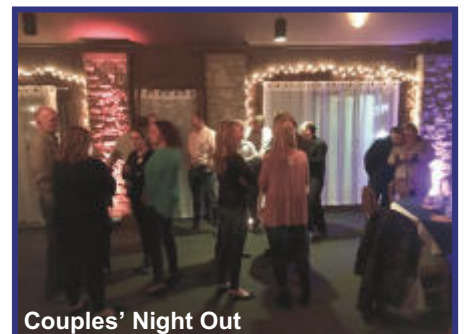
Milkkin Inspires



Annual School Auction: Record \$70,000!



New Welcome Ramp



Couples' Night Out

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Photo Collage

The Families of Faith Thanksgiving session featured a Hunger Meal, which illustrated the uneven access and affordability of food and water between first, second, and third-world countries. It was an eye-opening event about how 70% of the world has very little to eat or drink.



Upcoming Events

January 6 @ 11:15am
Families of Faith
St. James Parish House

January 7
School Resumes
St. Patrick School

January 9 @ 6pm
Families of Faith
St. James Parish House

January 13 @ 8am
Breakfast
Knights of Columbus Hall

January 13 @ 1pm
Protecting God's Children
St. James Parish House

January 16 @ 6pm
Families of Faith
St. James Parish House

January 26
"Thank You" Supper
St. Patrick Basement

January 29 @ 10am
All-City Mass
St. Teresa High School

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parish logo)

Parish School Alumni

Let us know if you're an alum of either St. James School or St. Patrick School. We're gathering information on each class to keep you informed of the great things happening in Catholic education.

History Committee Needs Help

The History Committee is asking for volunteers to help organize our parish history. The work is easy and the committee will train you. Call the parish for more information.

Catholic Schools All-City Mass

January 29 @ 10am - St. Teresa High School

The All-City Mass for Catholic Schools Week is a celebration of Catholic education in the Decatur area. Catholic Schools Week is Jan. 26 - Feb. 2.



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Celebrating Catholic Schools Week

Catholic Schools Week is an annual celebration of Catholic education in the United States, and this year it's held Saturday to Saturday, January 26th - February 2nd.

Catholic schools throughout the country typically observe the week by celebrating Mass and having activities for students, families, and community members. Through these events, schools highlight the value that Catholic education provides to young people, the local community, and the worldwide Church.

Catholic Schools Week will feature "Thank You" supper for parishioners on Saturday, January 26th, the school choir singing at Mass at St. James on Sunday, an open house on Monday, the all-city Mass on Tuesday, a Book Fair and Science Fair the entire week, and various other events.

"Catholic Schools Week puts the Catholic identity out to the public, and hopefully it'll let the community know that Catholic schools are alive and well," St. Patrick School Principal Jan Sweet said. "It's an exciting week when we open our doors to anyone who would like to visit."



Catholic Schools Week All-City Mass - 2017

Mass Times

Saturday
 4:00pm: St. James
 5:30pm: St. Patrick

Sunday
 8:30am: St. James
 10:00am: St. Patrick

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