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# STATE OF THE PARISH REPORT

## 2020-2021

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### Mass Schedule:

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00pm

Sunday Mass Times: (English) 8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00pm, 5:30pm | (Spanish) 2:30pm

Daily Mass: Monday–Friday, 9:00am

Reconciliation: Saturday: 3:00pm–4:15pm | Sunday: 4:45pm–5:15pm in the church or by appointment.





## MISSION STATEMENT

The parish of St. Therese, rooted in Ignatian Spirituality, strives to Love God, Follow Jesus and Serve All by doing ordinary things with great love.

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## MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR



The apostle St. Paul wrote of the Divine Virtues of Faith, Hope and Love in his first letter to the Corinthians (see 1 Cor. 13:13). Christ is the reason for our hope as He was victorious. Through the cross of Calvary, Christ paid the debt for human sin and reconciled us to the Father. Through His resurrection, He opened for us the path to eternal life. I believe that Christians are inherently hopeful, because we believe in the promise of eternal life. In other words, our struggles and challenges in this life are temporary. There have certainly been many challenges over the past year and a half and no family has been spared from some burden or hardship that has roots in the pandemic. I am mindful, however, that the Church has persevered through other health emergencies and plagues, as well as persecutions, wars and injustices.

Our pastoral ministry at St. Therese has continued throughout this time. In the past year, we celebrated a large number of baptisms, weddings and many funerals during this pandemic. Our Masses celebrating First Communion and Confirmation, while less than pre-Covid years, were nevertheless very well attended. We have also welcomed many new families in the past year.

I sincerely thank all of our parishioners who supported the Parish in gracious stewardship in the past year. In recent months, many have made donations online, through the mail or in the Sunday offertory. At the end of the fiscal year on June 30, our offertory had recovered significantly. I realize that some of our parishioners have lost some earnings, investments or opportunities. The Parish is not a business, but we have to plan and track a budget every year and to strive for efficiency. All of our staff leaders realize that we need to be good stewards of the gracious charity of our parishioners. Throughout the pandemic, we have

supported local charities through our poor box revenues and tithing account. Through numerous second collections, we have supported ministries and programs outside of our local Parish area.

I appreciate every donation and family involvement. If any person or family is able to make an extra donation to assist us at this time, it will be greatly appreciated! We trust in Divine Providence and remain joyful in hope. I know that I am blessed to be the pastor of this Parish.

Many thanks for your support!

In the peace of Christ,

FR. MARK LAWLOR





## PARISH HIGHLIGHTS



**9,296**  
Individual Members\*\*



**36**  
Average member's age

\*In June 2021, we reviewed our Parishioner Data Base and determined 250 families were inactive.

\*\* Individual number of members includes children

## SACRAMENTAL MINISTRY

Baptisms .....	158
First Reconciliations.....	129
First Communions.....	109
(2019-20 celebrated in Jul-Sep 2020)	
First Communions.....	129
(2020-21 celebrated in Apr-Jun 2021)	
Confirmations .....	132
(2019-20 celebrated in October 2020)	
Confirmations .....	122
(2020-21 celebrated in April 2021)	
Weddings.....	24
Deaths .....	72

## MESSAGE FROM THE PASTORAL COUNCIL CHAIR

Welcome to the 2021 edition of your Parish Annual report. It has been my privilege to serve you as your Parish Pastoral Council Chair. I would like to share with you the following notes.

First, we all know that this past year has been another that we will remember, as we traveled through uncertain times; but even with many hardships, it has lead to new opportunities. When we saw diminished Mass attendance and offertory, cancellation and disruption of many parish meetings, the support of various ministries and interest groups continued strong. We thank them for their time, effort, and treasures, contributing to our parish community.

Second, for much of this past year, we had only one priest, but we give thanks to having an involved and dedicated pastor. His commitment is valued and appreciated. We also give thanks to our office staff for all that they do and to the many volunteers for their service and support.

This year has been challenging for your Pastoral Council, with the need to replace 7 members from last year's council. We still had several accomplishments, including monthly presentations from Commission chairs, rewriting our Bylaws, and creating a Member Handbook. The Parish Pastoral Plan has been completed and accepted by the Diocese. It delineates responsible parties for various action steps to be taken over this 5-year plan. All of these documents, as well as summaries of our monthly meetings, are available on our webpage. And, we are resuming an annual Pastoral Council retreat.

The Council has also played a lead role in planning for the parish's 75th Anniversary Celebration and our Annual St. Therese Feast Day, which should be a great event as we welcome back parishioners.

In closing, I want to thank all for their commitment to this community, and say a special thanks to the PC members who gave their time, effort, and support.

We have something special here at St. Therese Catholic Church and it is due to you, the parishioners. I thank you for your support and contributions.

JIM BENSON

## 2020/2021 PASTORAL COUNCIL LAY MEMBERS

Chair .....	Jim Benson
Vice Chair .....	Aisling Zaccarelli
Secretary .....	Andrew Payne

## COMMISSION LIAISONS

Building and Facilities: .....	Peter O'Reilly
Community Ministries: .....	James Hall
Ecumenism: .....	Clark Ross
Education and Formation: .....	Ian Campos
Evangelization and Communication: .....	Paula Kelly
Liturgy and Worship: .....	Andrew Payne
Parish Life: .....	Bridget Brooks
Stewardship: .....	Aisling Zaccarelli



## MESSAGE FROM THE STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE CHAIR

This past year was a restorative time for all of us at St. Therese. This time period also saw a change in structure within the Stewardship Committee which led to the development and implementation of the Stewardship Committee Handbook, the Welcome Committee Handbook and adoption of the 2021 Stewardship Initiative titled "God First."

The committee launched the "God First" initiative with the desire for all parishioners to examine their commitment to God by making Stewardship A Way of Life. Ministry Summit meetings held in April and September focused on leadership and the responsibility to live as disciples of Christ. The Living Your Strengths program resumed workshops and added 2 new proctors. CliftonStrengths for Students workshops also resumed among our teens. Additional workshops and seminars were held to include: Fr. Kapaun's Stewardship series (FORMED), and a mission talk by Fr. Tom McCarthy. The "God First" Summer Celebration for all parishioners was held on July 31. This event was also used to highlight and attract parishioners to our various ministries, all in the spirit of gratitude to our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Our Welcome Committee continued to greet new parishioners to St. Therese with open arms and a warm heart. Monthly welcome calls are made to all new registrants with various welcoming functions scheduled to personally introduce new parishioners to all St. Therese has to offer.

The committee has supported the planning and preparations for the 75th Anniversary celebration. The blessings found through all involved with this project has exemplified the meaning of stewardship and should be used as a model for all future endeavors.

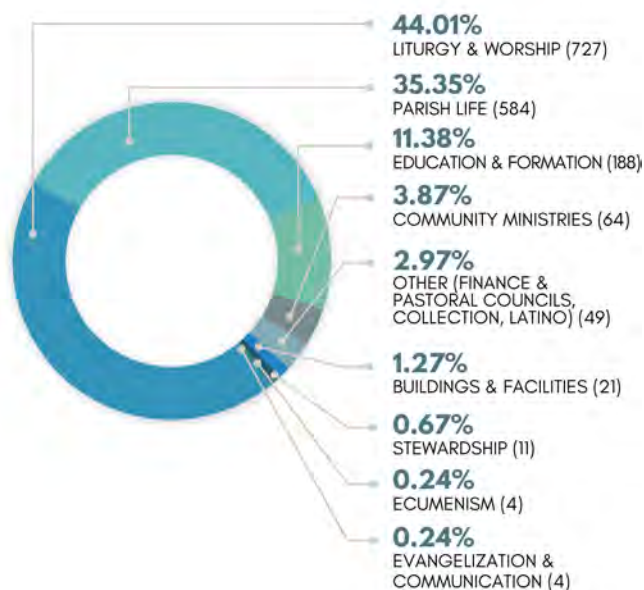
It is through the talents of all at St. Therese who give generously of their time and treasure in the spirit of gratitude that exemplify our motto to Love God, Follow Jesus, and Serve All.

On behalf of the Stewardship Committee, I want to thank you for your generosity and continued support. Mostly, we would like to thank you for all you do to grace our parish of St. Therese.

In His name,

JACK HASTINGS

## STEWARDSHIP OF TIME AND TALENT BY THE NUMBERS



COMMISSION	NUMBER OF MINISTRIES	NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS	PERCENTAGE
LITURGY & WORSHIP	24*	727	44.01%
PARISH LIFE	11*	584	35.35%
EDUCATION & FORMATION	18*	188	11.38%
COMMUNITY MINISTRIES	7*	64	3.87%
OTHER (FINANCE & PASTORAL COUNCILS / COLLECTION, LATINO)	4	49	2.97%
BUILDINGS & FACILITIES	2	21	1.27%
STEWARDSHIP	2*	11	0.67%
ECUMENISM	1	4	0.24%
EVANGELIZATION & COMMUNICATION	1	4	0.24%
TOTAL	70	1,652	100.00%
(*) Total # of ministries includes Commission			



We also recognize the many parishioners who give their time and talent to organizations outside of the parish.



## MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN OUR COMMUNITY!

Faithful to its Mission Statement, our Community Ministries Commission promotes the word of Jesus Christ by helping those who are in need, following the basic principle that "whatever you do to the least of my people, you do unto me."



## FOOD DRIVES & OUTREACH COLLECTIONS

### Food & Coat Drive October 2020

- 548 Coats
- 1,811 lbs of food donated
  - 1,517 lbs. for The Mooresville Christian Mission
  - 294 lbs. for FeedNC



### The Giving Tree December 2020

- 920 tags distributed among:
- 200 children at The Mooresville Christian Mission
  - 10 families in need
  - Accordius Health
  - Bright Blessings
  - Curlin Commons
  - Fifth Street Ministries
  - Hope of Mooresville (HOME)
  - My Sister's House



### Drive-by Food Collection Summer 2020

- 2,798 lbs of food donated
  - 1,427 lbs. for The Mooresville Christian Mission
  - 1,371 lbs. for FeedNC

### Food Drives February 2021

- 1,546 lbs of food donated
  - 981 lbs. for The Mooresville Christian Mission
  - 565 lbs. for FeedNC



## FIGHTING HUNGER

### Backpack Ministry

We joined West United Methodist Church to feed approximately 40 children in need at Third Creek Elementary School and Lake Norman High School with free supplemental lunches.

### Food for Days

With your support, our backpack meals helped families battling food insecurity in Iredell County. This year, we donated \$250 to 30 students, for a total of \$7,500 for children to receive food throughout the year.

### Operation Rice Bowl

During the last Lenten season, our Peace and Justice Ministry supported the Catholic Relief Services through Operation Rice Bowl which raised \$2,455.25 and supported the efforts of the Catholic Relief Services through prayer, fasting, and almsgiving.



Due to COVID-19, the annual Thanksgiving Meal was cancelled in 2020 and our Food Pantry closed to the public. Families in need were referred to FeedNC.





# MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN OUR COMMUNITY!

## TITHING AND CHARITABLE DONATIONS

### Tithing, Poor Box and Charitable Donations:

July 2020 - June 2021

	Amount
MACS and other Catholic School Subsidies	\$51,250
Mooresville Christian Mission	\$19,639
FeedNC	\$13,276
Food for Days	\$8,500
Children's Hope Alliance (Barium Springs)	\$6,000
Community Ministries Commission Programs	\$3,615
Fifth Street Ministries (My Sister's House)	\$3,000
Catholic Relief Service (Rice Bowl)	\$2,702
Mooresville Pregnancy Center	\$2,200
Dove House	\$2,000
MiraVia	\$1,500
Veteran's Group	\$1,500
SCAN Exchange	\$1,500
Serenity House	\$1,500
HealthReach Community Clinic	\$1,300
HOMe Hope of Mooresville	\$1,100
Hospice of Iredell County (Rainbow Kidz)	\$1,100
Inspire Our Children	\$1,000
American Cancer Society (Relay for Life)	\$300
<b>Total Tithing, Poor Box and Charitable Donations</b>	<b>\$122,982</b>

### Second Collections: July 2020 - June 2021

Seminary Education	\$18,655
National/International Combined Collection	\$9,073
Religious Retirement	\$5,709
Combined Missions	\$5,568
Campaign for Human Development	\$5,325
World Mission Sunday (Propagation of the Faith)	\$5,324
<b>Total Second Collections</b>	<b>\$49,654</b>

### Other Collections: January 2020 - December 2020

Diocesan Support Appeal Assessment	\$197,843
Priests' Retirement Assessment	\$40,726
<b>Total Other Collections/Assessments</b>	<b>\$238,569</b>

### TOTAL OF ALL CHARITABLE DONATIONS AND SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

**\$411,205**

### Care Team

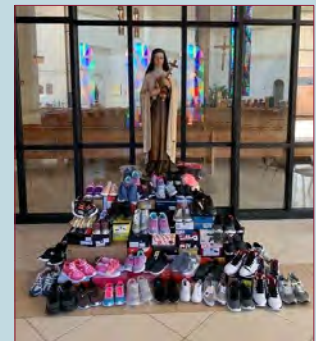
July 2020 through June 2021

- Cards were sent to the sick, homebound, those serving in the military, veterans, newly baptized or first communicants, etc.
- Calls were also made
- Birthday cards were sent to parishioners who were 80+ years old

### Back to School Bash

June 2021

- \$1,000 collected with shoe collection drive



### Respect Life

January 2021

- Cemetery of the Innocents and Spiritual Adoption where we pray for the unborn babies
- \$100 given in Gift Cards to purchase diapers for MiraVia

March 2021

- Prayer chain in front of Planned Parenthood in Charlotte for two weekends

May 2021

- Baby Bottle Boomerang supporting Lake Norman Pregnancy Center



Community Ministries sponsored one day during our 2nd First Responders Week and provided 20 subs, snacks, soda and water for our First Responders.





## MESSAGE FROM THE FINANCE COUNCIL CHAIR

### 2020/2021 FINANCE COUNCIL MEMBERS

Rick Fabrize (Chair)  
 Phil Bischoff  
 Mario Campos  
 Janet Manzullo  
 Liliana Miller  
 Enyonam Mortoo  
 Tom Schnaidt  
 Ed Tornesello  
 Andy Zmijewski

We were able to weather a very difficult year with a tightened budget and reduced expenditures while deferring some capital projects and now these measures have paid off as the church reopens and revenues begin to rise to pre-COVID levels. Now we are able to establish an appropriate budget for the 2021-22 budget year reflecting both the needs of the parish, the community and our ability to finance those needs. Given last year's reduced Masses and attendance, fewer parish activities and lower offertory trend (driven by COVID-19 impacts), much workload rebalancing and rightsizing was needed to establish an achievable budget. Through conservative expense management, postponement of some maintenance and improvement projects, along with improvement in the offertory, we were able to build back our cash reserves for maintenance and capital projects to \$301,852 and end the year \$719,705 better than planned. Given these improvements, we are increasing our 2021-22 Offertory Income budget to \$1,800,000, an increase of 20% over last year to get us back to our pre-COVID levels. Your generosity has been instrumental in our recovery and for this our entire parish and community are very fortunate. With the continued growth of St. Therese, now at 2,870 active registered families as of the end of June (254 added in the last 12 months) we are confident that our recovery is well underway.

With the recent diocesan approval of our Parish Pastoral Plan and upcoming work on its Campus Master Plan initiatives, we are making investments in our facilities and infrastructure to coincide with our celebration of 75 years as a parish. We have come a long way from the tiny little mission church of less than 10 families, on North Main Street, to the 4th largest of the 92 parishes in the Diocese of Charlotte. This could not have happened without each of your efforts and for this we should all be very grateful. On the following pages, we provide further details to highlight the accomplishments and opportunities before us.

On behalf of the Finance Council and staff, I want to thank you for your continued support and generosity but most of all for the way you grace our parish of St. Therese in your own little way.

Thanks, once again, for all that you do in His name.

RICK FABRIZE

## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS



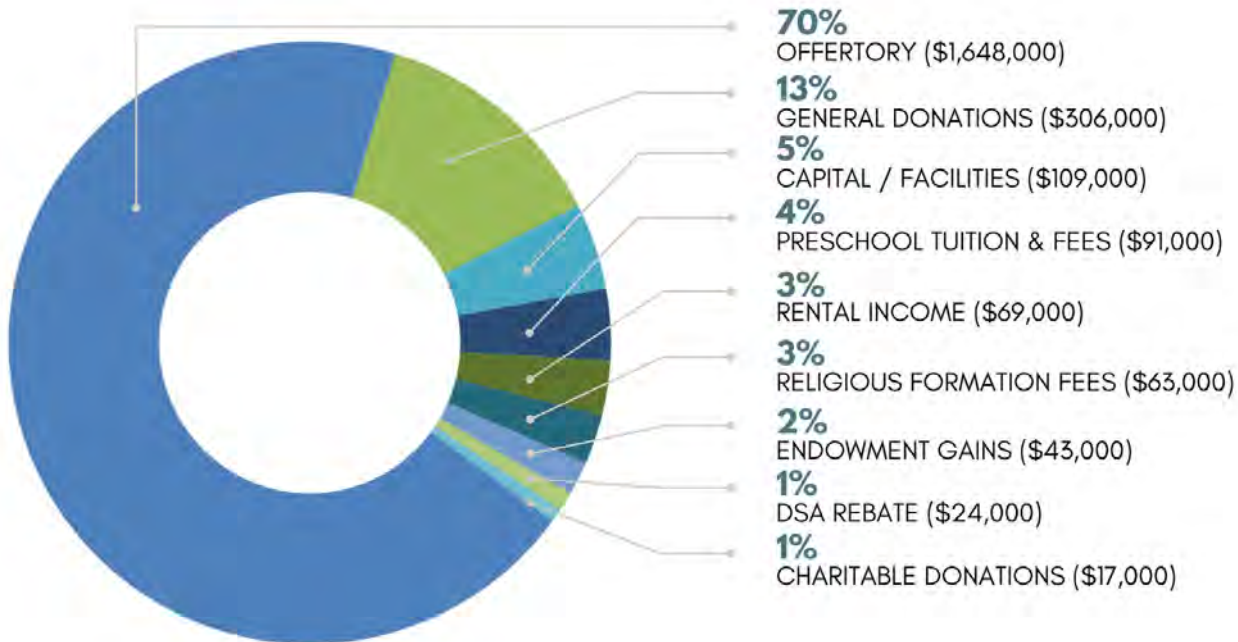
Now 4<sup>th</sup> largest  
 of the 92 parishes  
 and missions in the  
 Diocese of Charlotte

- Total Revenue of \$2,370,437 vs. Plan of \$1,916,000 or \$454,437 (23.2%) over Plan
- Total Expense of \$1,702,726 vs. Plan of \$1,911,009 or \$208,283 (10.9%) below Plan
- Net Income \$719,705 over Plan, driven primarily by conservative expense management and improved parishioner financial stewardship
- Months of Operating Reserve have increased to 7.1 in June 2021
- Achieved vibrant growth. (See graphic on the left)
- Paid down mortgage on Sunfish Drive properties from \$765,000 to \$680,000



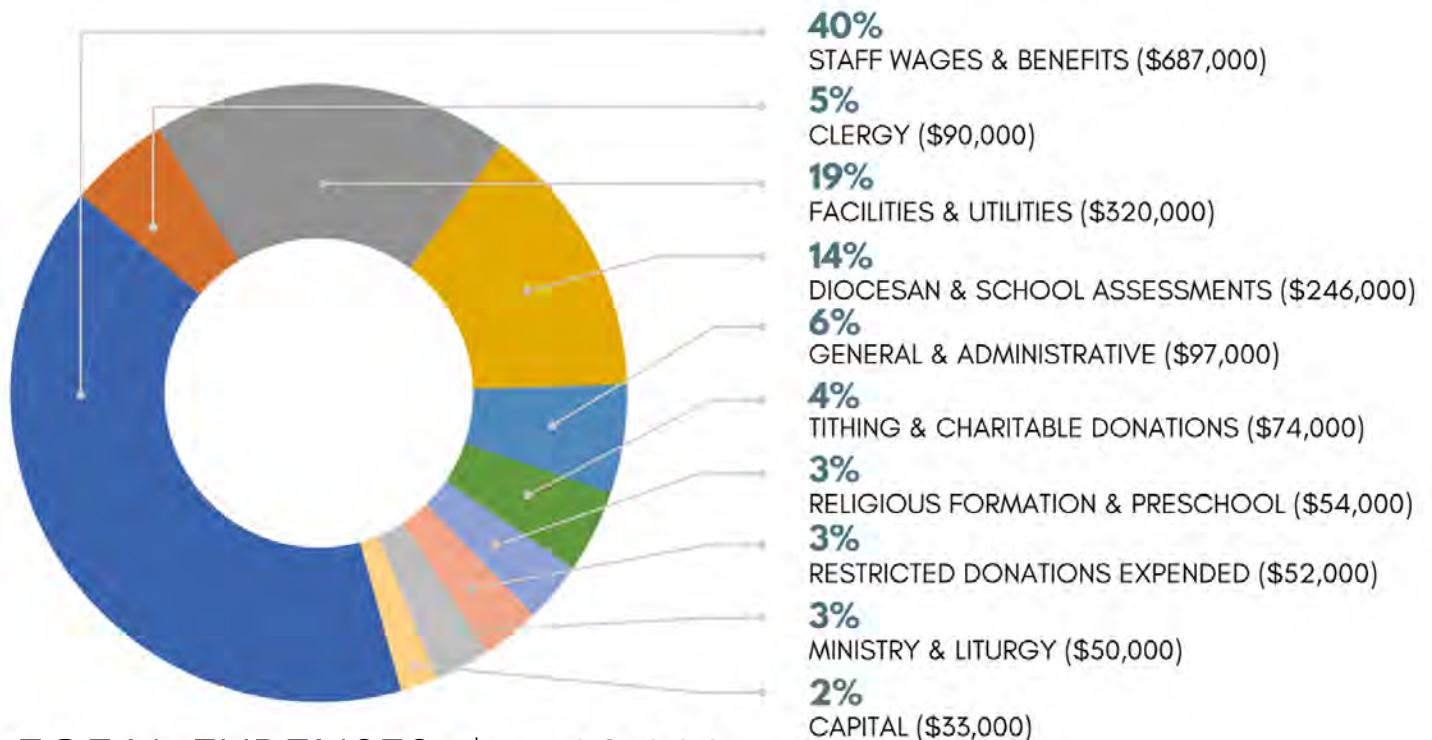


## REVENUE SOURCES



TOTAL REVENUE: \$2,370,000

## EXPENSE SOURCES



TOTAL EXPENSES: \$1,703,000



# BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES

## ST. THERESE'S PROPERTY

Blueprint represents possible future expansions.

**32.7 ACRES**

Wooded Land

**74,446 SQ FEET**

Total Enclosed  
Square Footage

**25,330 SQ FEET**

Parish Life Center

**20,270 SQ FEET**

Church

**14,000 SQ FEET**

Administrative Building

**11,752 SQ FEET**

3 houses on Sunfish Drive

**3,184 SQ FEET**

Rectory

## FY 2020-2021

Capital Improvements FY 2020-2021

- Repaired parking lot drainage failure (parishioner donation)
- Replaced step risers and stair treads in Parish Life Center
- Replaced flooring for Nursery, Rooms 14, 16 & 20
- Purchased new electronic votive candles for the church
- Installed four stained glass windows in church (parishioner donation)
- Installed new HVAC unit serving the St. Ignatius Day Chapel
- Initiated hardware and software updates of the church HVAC system

## 5 YEAR PLAN

Capital Improvements 5 Year Plan

Capital plan does NOT include costs for Campus Master Plan projects, nor timing.

- 2021-22 \$503,741\*
- 2022-23 \$194,819
- 2023-24 \$160,000
- 2024-25 \$150,000
- 2025-26 \$150,000

\* Includes many deferred projects; however, we currently only have cash reserves of \$301,852.

The above funds are not part of our normal operating expenses, so, incremental cash reserves are needed to cover major improvements and long-term maintenance of the campus. They include but are not limited to:

Repair:

- Parking lot
- Painting
- HVAC units (32 total)

Replace:

- Parish Life Center shingled roof with metal roof (2021-22)
- Exterior doors (2021-22)
- HVAC units as needed
- Kitchen appliances
- Lighting, carpet

Improve:

- Access control system
- Sound and video systems
- Building retrofit
- Campus growth
- Energy efficiency





## RISKS

The 2020-21 Fiscal Year was impacted by COVID-19. We were able to meet the challenges of life during a pandemic and implement protocols and resources that allowed us to continue our ministries.

- Purchased sanitizing equipment and chemicals
- Set Church HVAC controls to allow maximum fresh air exchange
- Implemented CDC and Health Dept cleaning and sanitization recommendations
- In-person weekend liturgies restarted Memorial Day weekend 2020 and daily liturgies resumed on June 1, 2020
- Live streaming camera and software installed
- Social distancing recommendations followed, including setting up chairs in the narthex and patio

## ENHANCEMENTS CHALLENGES & OPPORTUNITIES

The Parish completed 120 Facilities projects of all types and sizes including:

- Various plumbing and HVAC issues including updating thermostats
- Repairs to church fire alarm system, light controls, HVAC, and hearing loop due to lightning strike
- Replacement of the broken flagpole rope (with the help of the Fire Department)
- Trimming of trees for tree health and to protect buildings
- Deep cleaning of hard to reach spaces

## LOOKING AT THE FUTURE FOR ST. THERESE

- Develop Campus Master Plan encompassing all our properties and reflecting Parish Plan priorities
- Expand parking lot and enhance access to Brawley School Road\*
- Expand Youth Playground
- Create Sports fields and Pavilion/Picnic area
- Repurpose Rectory as Youth Program Building
- Repurpose one of the houses on Sunfish Drive as Rectory
- Build Cemetery and Columbarium
- Continue to increase cash reserves to fund capital improvement projects
- Continue to maintain/upgrade existing buildings to maximize usage and extend life
- Continue engagement with NCDOT as Brawley School Road project is funded
- Establish Campus Master Plan workgroup
- Hire a Part-time Facilities Maintenance Assistant
- Restart Safety and Parking Lot Welcome Ministries

\*NCDOT has delayed the planned changes to Brawley School Road



# REPORT TO PARISHIONERS

## Report to Parishioners / Reporte a los Feligreses June 2021—June 2021

### PARISH STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES & CASH FLOWS INFORME PARROQUIAL DE ACTIVIDADES Y FLUJO DE EFECTIVO

#### Operating Revenue / Ingresos Operativos

Offertory	<i>Ofertorio</i>	1,648,050	1,500,000	1,800,000
Unrestricted Donations & Other Support	<i>Donaciones Sin Restricciones y Otro Tipo de Apoyo</i>	307,390	60,400	69,700
Fundraising Income	<i>Ingresos mediante la Recaudación de Fondos</i>	18,328	51,800	42,400
Religious Formation Fees	<i>Cuotas de Formación Religiosa</i>	57,360	47,000	74,000
Day Care/Preschool Tuition and Fees	<i>Matrícula y Cuotas de Guardería / Preescolar</i>	91,266	69,680	165,585
Other Fees and Misc Income	<i>Otras cuotas e Ingreso Misceláneo</i>	95,023	126,120	119,180
<b>Total Operating Revenue / Total de Ingresos Operativos</b>		<b>2,217,417</b>	<b>1,855,000</b>	<b>2,270,865</b>

#### Operating Expenses / Gastos Operativos

Ministry & Liturgy	<i>Ministerio y Liturgia</i>	193,801	270,590	313,727
Religious Formation	<i>Formación Religiosa</i>	256,687	310,518	327,055
Charity/Outreach	<i>Obras de Caridad y Apoyo a la Comunidad</i>	73,659	50,600	58,250
School Subsidy	<i>Subsidio Escolar</i>	55,033	61,750	71,625
Preschool Program Expenses	<i>Gastos del Programa Preescolar</i>	96,599	82,734	149,071
Other Parish Program Expenses	<i>Otros Gastos Parroquiales</i>	6,639	35,200	94,500
Facilities Expenses	<i>Gastos de Instalaciones</i>	398,764	476,531	467,238
Diocesan Assessments	<i>Evaluaciones Diocesanas</i>	191,337	209,135	190,958
General & Administrative Expenses	<i>Gastos Generales y Administrativos</i>	345,121	378,344	428,012
<b>Total Operating Expenses / Total de Gastos Operativos</b>		<b>1,617,640</b>	<b>1,875,402</b>	<b>2,100,486</b>

#### Net Operating Activity / Neto de Actividad Operativa

<b>599,777</b>	<b>(20,402)</b>	<b>170,379</b>
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#### Capital Activity / Actividad de Capital

Capital/Facilities Receipts	<i>Recibos de Capital/Instalaciones</i>	108,149	60,000	110,000
Forward in Faith, Hope, and Love Campaign Revenue	<i>Ingresos Campaña Capital</i>	1,643	1,000	500
Expenditure of Restricted Donations, Capitalized (Net)	<i>Gastos de Donaciones Restringidas, Capitalizadas (Neto)</i>	52,060		
Expenditures (interest, postage, etc.)	<i>Gastos (interés, estampillas, etc.)</i>	(33,206)	(35,607)	(31,625)

#### Net Capital Activity, excluding debt principal pmts / Actividad de Capital Neto, excluye pagos al Principal de Préstamo

<b>128,646</b>	<b>25,393</b>	<b>78,875</b>
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#### Endowment Earnings, Net of Income Spent / Ganancias por Donaciones, Neto de Ingreso Gastado

<b>43,342</b>	<b>(5,000)</b>	<b>20,000</b>
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#### Restricted Donations (other than Capital) / Donaciones Restringidas, diferentes al Capital

Received	<i>Recibidas</i>	0		
Expended	<i>Gastadas</i>	52,060		

#### Net Restricted Activity (other than capital) / Neto de Actividad Restringida, diferente al Capital

<b>(52,060)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
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#### Total Surplus (Deficit) Before Depreciation / Superávit (Déficit) Total antes de la Amortización

<b>719,705</b>	<b>(9)</b>	<b>269,254</b>
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#### Other Sources and Uses of Cash:

(Increase)Decrease - Equipment/Facilities	<i>(Incremento)Reducción - Equipo/Instalaciones</i>	(98,537)		
(Increase)Decrease - Endowment Accounts	<i>(Incremento)Reducción - Cuentas de Subvenciones</i>	(31,674)		
Increase(Decrease) - Debt Principal	<i>Incremento(Reducción) - Principal de Préstamo</i>	(268,967)		
Increase(Decrease) - Current Assets and Liabilities	<i>Incremento(Reducción) - Activos y Pasivos Actuales</i>	43,789		
Increase(Decrease) - Custodial Obligations & Unearned Income	<i>Incremento(Reducción) - Obligaciones de Custodia y Otros Ingresos</i>	52,762		
(Increase)Decrease - Savings/Reserve Balances	<i>(Incremento)Reducción - Balance de Ahorros / Reserva</i>	(158,559)		

#### Total increase(decrease) in Checking Accounts / Incremento(reducción) Total en Cuentas Corrientes

<b>258,519</b>
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### PARISH STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION POSICIÓN FINANCIERA PARROQUIAL

#### Assets

Checking Account Balances - Operating/Other	<i>Balance de Cuentas Bancarias - Operativos/Otros</i>	648,638	907,157
Savings Accounts - Operating Reserves	<i>Cuenta de Ahorros - Reservas Operativas</i>	270,721	429,280
Endowment Accounts	<i>Cuentas de Dotaciones y Legados recibidos</i>	112,811	144,485
Receivables and other Current Assets	<i>Cuentas por Cobrar y otros Activos Actuales</i>	3,750	5,140
Property, Plant and Equipment	<i>Propiedad, Planta y Maquinaria</i>	15,417,985	15,516,522
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>Total de Activos</b>	<b>16,453,905</b>	<b>17,002,584</b>

#### Liabilities and Net Assets

<b>Liabilities</b>	<b>Pasivos y Activos Netos</b>		
Accounts Payable and Accrued Expenses	<i>Cuentas por Pagar y Gastos Acumulados</i>	14,916	60,095
Custodial Obligations	<i>Obligaciones de Custodia</i>	24,850	43,008
Note Payable	<i>Letras a Pagar</i>	949,050	680,083
Other Liabilities	<i>Otros Pasivos</i>	29,006	63,610
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>Total de Pasivos</b>	<b>1,017,822</b>	<b>846,796</b>
<b>Net Assets</b>	<b>Activos Netos</b>	<b>15,436,083</b>	<b>16,155,788</b>
<b>Total Liabilities and Net Assets</b>	<b>Total de Pasivos y Activos Netos</b>	<b>16,453,905</b>	<b>17,002,584</b>





## YEAR IN REVIEW HIGHLIGHTS



July 2020 - New video cameras and software were installed in the church, enhancing the livestream experience for those unable to attend Masses in person.

August 2020 - 109 children received First Holy Communion (delayed ceremonies from 2019-2020 due to pandemic).

September 2020 - An ecumenical Prayer Service was offered for those impacted by COVID-19 in our community.



October 2020 - FORMED, an evangelization platform from the Augustine Institute, was launched in our parish. 132 candidates celebrated Confirmation (delayed ceremonies from 2019-2020 due to pandemic).

November 2020 - Giving Tree collected 920 tags with donations for those most in need in our community.

December 2020 - Christmas celebration with masks on and social distancing due to pandemic.



January 2021 - 75th Anniversary of the founding of our parish, on January 6, 1946. Celebration was transferred to October 2021 due to pandemic.

February 2021 - Mass attendance reached 1000+ persons per weekend, the highest number since the beginning of the pandemic. Installation of 4 new stained glass windows in our church, graciously donated by parishioners. Arrival of our new Parochial Vicar, Rev. Bernard Oleru, MSP.



March 2021 - After successfully completing 50 hours of training, 9 members of our congregation were inducted in our INAUGURAL class of Stephen Ministers. The Stewardship Committee launched the "God First" Campaign.

April 2021 - Holy Week celebration (including bilingual Living Stations of the Cross) and Easter. 122 candidates celebrated Confirmation.

May 2021 - 2nd First Responders Appreciation Week. Diocese lifted pandemic related restrictions for celebration of Masses.



June 2021- Youth Ministry Mission Trip to Catholic HEART Workcamp in Greensboro, NC. Arrival of our new Director of Religious Education, Kelli Olszewski.



## MENSAJE DEL PÁRROCO



El apóstol San Pablo escribió sobre las virtudes divinas de la fe, la esperanza y el amor en su primera carta a los corintios (ver 1 Cor. 13:13).

Cristo es la razón de nuestra esperanza al salir victorioso. A través de la cruz del Calvario, Cristo pagó la deuda por el pecado humano y nos reconcilió con el Padre. Mediante su resurrección, nos abrió el camino a la vida eterna. Creo que los cristianos son inherentemente esperanzados porque creemos en la promesa de la vida eterna. En otras palabras, nuestras luchas y desafíos en esta vida son temporales. Ciertamente, ha habido muchos desafíos durante el último año y medio y ninguna familia se ha librado de alguna carga o dificultad que tiene sus raíces en la pandemia. Sin embargo, soy consciente de que la Iglesia ha perseverado a través de otras emergencias sanitarias y plagas, así como persecuciones, guerras e injusticias.

Nuestro ministerio pastoral en Santa Teresita ha continuado durante todo este tiempo. El año pasado, celebramos una gran cantidad de bautismos, bodas y muchos funerales durante esta pandemia. Nuestras Misas celebrando la Primera Comunión y la Confirmación, aunque menos que los años anteriores al COVID, fueron muy concurridas. También hemos dado la bienvenida a muchas familias nuevas el año pasado.

Agradezco sinceramente a todos nuestros feligreses que apoyaron a

la parroquia en una amable mayordomía durante el año pasado. En los últimos meses, muchos han realizado donaciones en línea, por correo o en el ofertorio dominical. Al final del año fiscal el 30 de junio, nuestro ofertorio se había recuperado significativamente. Me doy cuenta de que algunos de nuestros feligreses han perdido algunas ganancias, inversiones u oportunidades. La parroquia no es un negocio, pero tenemos que planificar y hacer un seguimiento de un presupuesto cada año y luchar por la eficiencia. Todos los líderes de nuestro personal se dan cuenta de que debemos ser buenos administradores de la amable caridad de nuestros feligreses. A lo largo de la pandemia, hemos apoyado a organizaciones benéficas locales a través de nuestra caja de ingresos y cuenta de diezmos. A través de numerosas segundas colectas, hemos apoyado ministerios y programas fuera de nuestra área parroquial local.

Agradezco cada donación y participación familiar. Si alguna persona o familia puede hacer una donación adicional para ayudarnos en este momento, ¡será muy apreciado! Confiamos en la Divina Providencia y permanecemos alegres en la esperanza. Sé que tengo la suerte de ser el párroco de esta parroquia.

¡Muchas gracias por su apoyo!

En la paz de Cristo,

PADRE MARK LAWLOR

## DATOS PARROQUIALES



\*En junio 2021, revisamos nuestra Base de datos y determinamos que 250 familias estaban inactivas.

\*\* Número individual de miembros incluye niños.

## MINISTERIO SACRAMENTAL

Bautismos .....	158
Primeras Reconciliaciones .....	129
Primeras Comuniones .....	109
(2019-20 celebradas en Jul-Sept 2020)	
Primeras Comuniones .....	129
(2020-21 celebradas en Abr-Jun 2021)	
Confirmaciones.....	132
(2019-20 celebradas en Oct 2020)	
Confirmaciones.....	122
(2020-21 celebradas en Abr 2021)	
Bodas .....	24
Muertes.....	72





## MENSAJE DEL PRESIDENTE DEL CONSEJO PASTORAL

**B**ienvenidos a la edición 2021 del informe anual de su parroquia. Ha sido un privilegio servirles como Presidente del Consejo Pastoral Parroquial. Me gustaría compartir con ustedes las siguientes notas.

En primer lugar, todos sabemos que este año pasado ha sido otro que recordaremos, ya que pasamos por tiempos inciertos; pero aún con muchas dificultades, ha llevado a nuevas oportunidades.

Cuando vimos disminuir la asistencia a las Misas y al ofertorio, la cancelación y la interrupción de muchas reuniones parroquiales, el apoyo de varios ministerios y grupos de interés continuó con fuerza. Les agradecemos su tiempo, esfuerzo y tesoros, contribuyendo a nuestra comunidad parroquial.

En segundo lugar, durante gran parte de este año pasado, sólo tuvimos un sacerdote, pero damos gracias por tener un párroco involucrado y dedicado. Su compromiso es valorado y apreciado. También damos gracias a nuestro personal de oficina por todo lo que hace y a los muchos voluntarios por su servicio y apoyo.

Este año ha sido desafiante para su Consejo Pastoral, con la necesidad de reemplazar a 7 miembros del consejo del año pasado. Sin embargo, hemos tenido

varios logros, incluyendo las presentaciones mensuales de los presidentes de las comisiones, la reescritura de nuestros estatutos y la creación de un manual para los miembros. El Plan Pastoral Parroquial ha sido completado y aceptado por la Diócesis. En él se delimitan las partes responsables de las distintas medidas que se tomarán durante este plan de 5 años. Todos estos documentos, así como los resúmenes de nuestras reuniones mensuales, están disponibles en nuestra página web. Además, estamos reanudando un retiro anual del Consejo Pastoral.

El Consejo también ha desempeñado un papel principal en la planificación de la celebración del 75 Aniversario de la parroquia y de nuestra fiesta anual de Santa Teresita, que debería ser un gran acontecimiento para dar la bienvenida a los feligreses.

Para terminar, quiero agradecer a todos por su compromiso con esta comunidad, y dar un agradecimiento especial a los miembros del Consejo Pastoral que dieron su tiempo, esfuerzo y apoyo.

Tenemos algo especial aquí en la parroquia de Santa Teresita y se debe a ustedes, los feligreses. Les agradezco su apoyo y sus contribuciones.

**JIM BENSON**

## MENSAJE DEL PRESIDENTE DEL CONSEJO FINANCIERO

**F**uimos capaces de capear un año muy difícil con un presupuesto ajustado y reduciendo los gastos, a la vez que aplazábamos algunos proyectos de capital, y ahora estas medidas han dado sus frutos, ya que la iglesia vuelve a abrir sus puertas y los ingresos empiezan a subir a los niveles anteriores a la crisis. Ahora estamos en condiciones de establecer un presupuesto adecuado para el año presupuestario 2021-22 que refleje tanto las necesidades de la parroquia, como las de la comunidad y nuestra capacidad para financiar esas necesidades. Dado que el año pasado se redujeron las misas y la asistencia, se redujeron las actividades parroquiales y se redujo la tendencia de los ofertorios (debido a los impactos de COVID-19), fue necesario reajustar la carga de trabajo y reducir los derechos para establecer un presupuesto alcanzable. A través de una gestión conservadora de los gastos, el aplazamiento de algunos proyectos de mantenimiento y mejora, junto con la mejora del ofertorio, hemos sido capaces de recuperar nuestras reservas de efectivo para el mantenimiento y los proyectos de capital a \$301.852 dólares y terminar el año con \$719.705 dólares mejor de lo previsto. Teniendo en cuenta estas mejoras, estamos aumentando nuestro presupuesto de ingresos del ofertorio para 2021-22 a \$1,800.000 dólares, un aumento del 20% con respecto al año pasado para volver a nuestros niveles anteriores al COVID. Su generosidad ha sido fundamental en nuestra recuperación y por ello toda

nuestra parroquia y comunidad son muy afortunadas. Con el continuo crecimiento de Santa Teresita, que ahora cuenta con 2.870 familias activas registradas a finales de junio (254 añadidas en los últimos 12 meses), estamos seguros de que nuestra recuperación está bien encaminada.

Con la reciente aprobación diocesana de nuestro Plan Pastoral Parroquial y el próximo trabajo en sus iniciativas del Plan Maestro del Campus, estamos haciendo inversiones en nuestras instalaciones e infraestructura para coincidir con nuestra celebración de 75 años como parroquia. Hemos recorrido un largo camino desde la pequeña iglesia de la misión de menos de 10 familias, en North Main Street, hasta la cuarta parroquia más grande de las 92 de la Diócesis de Charlotte. Esto no podría haber sucedido sin el esfuerzo de cada uno de ustedes y por ello todos debemos estar muy agradecidos. En las páginas siguientes, ofrecemos más detalles para destacar los logros y las oportunidades que tenemos ante nosotros.

En nombre del Consejo de Finanzas y del personal, quiero agradecerles por su continuo apoyo y generosidad, pero sobre todo por la forma en que agracian nuestra parroquia de Santa Teresita a su manera.

Gracias, una vez más, por todo lo que hacen en Su nombre.

**RICK FABRIZE**



## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK AND PRAYER REQUESTS

Saturday, October 9, 2021

5:00pm **Madelaine McAlpin** † ..... Family

Sunday, October 10, 2021

8:00am **Krystal Berkowitz** † ..... Hinds Family

10:00am **John Anderson** † ..... Millie LoBianco

**Phyllis Santagata** † ..... Millie LoBianco

12:00pm **Sandra Cobb** † ..... Trish Mahoney

2:30pm **Dr. Julio Ospina** † ..... Family

Alberto Marquez ♥ ..... Family

5:30pm Parishioners of St. Therese ♥

Monday, October 11, 2021

9:00am **Jack Starkey** † ..... Marcia Starkey

Ray Magnuson ♥ ..... Magnuson Family

Tuesday, October 12, 2021

9:00am **Arthur Hoar** † ..... George & Regina Hoar

William Haggarty (Sp. Int) ♥ ..... Anonymous

Wednesday, October 13, 2021

9:00am Special Intention ♥ ..... Anna Burdzinska

Thursday, October 14, 2021

9:00am **Catherine Puskarich** † ..... Ron & Phyllis Luther

Friday, October 15, 2021

9:00am **Joe & Eleanor McHugh** † ..... Family

**John & Veronica Broderick** † ..... Family

Saturday, October 16, 2021

5:00pm **Joan Killiany** † ..... Family

Sunday, October 17, 2021

8:00am **Joan Killiany** † ..... Killiany Family

**Lisa Cox** † ..... Kathy Pfeffer

10:00am **Bob Beuley** † ..... Mark & Sue Daly

**Letty Perino** † ..... Caruso Family

12:00pm **Pete Heimbald** † ..... Trish Mahoney

**Bob Cella** † ..... Angela Harrigan

2:30pm Parishioners of St. Therese ♥

5:30pm **Phillip Stango** † ..... Greer Family

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Please use the online form on our website to request prayers:

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Special intentions for Healing: Maria Ashenbrener, A. Byrd, Jonathan Cantrell, Eileen Cigarski, Karen Conceicao, Trevor Conklin, Gerardo Cruz, Agustin Cuenca, Sharnice Cyprien, Dee Dee, Tom DeMarco, Alan Demascus, William Dragon, Rebecca Eagen, Dave F., Joanna Falzone, Logan Fogg, Khadijah Harden, Jeff Hope, Nancy Hoover, Jim Hyatt, Gwen Kane, Teresa Kane, Jessica Lawrik, Devyn M., Patti Malatta, Joey Maldonado, Violet Miller, Dan Mulligan, Alex Neely, Kati O., Tina Olszewski, Raj P., Jessica Pautz, Charlie Prasad, Frances R., Michelle R., Levi Raymond, John Rocco, Alex Rose, Carolyn Roswog, Am S., Eileen Smith, Tiffany Stewart, Dwayne T., Michelle T., Bruce Van Buren, Teemu Viljakainen, Jack W., Johnnie Ziats.

Those who are Homebound:

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Accordius: Alfred Kern, Rosemary Leonetti, Hattie Walker, Joan Waltman, Diane Whitley.

TerraBella Lake Norman (formerly Atrium Lake Norman):

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Cadence Living: Dolly & Eduardo Abrao, Eileen Bunnell, Rose Caleagno, Kevin Clancy, Peggy Katich, Rosalee Kereztesi, Jackie Moran, Eleanor Pearson, Judy Richardson.

Old Knox Commons: None.

Radbourne Manor: Patsy Freeze.

Ranson Ridge: Dutch Detchemendy.

Summit Place: Betty Beaulieu, Frank DeBerardinis, MaryJane Farrell, Mary Kozar, Nancy Nusser, Lewis & Rosemary Savisky.

The Citadel: Eileen Gubelman, Audrey Kufhta.

The Pines: Dolly O'Brien.

Williams Place: Lorna Josefchuk, Marie Salerno.

## PRAYING FOR OUR MILITARY



We pray for our men and women in service and give our sincere thanks and appreciation to all veterans who have served their country.

Air Force: Nicholas Mazzone

Army: Sgt. David Mazzullo, Capt. Justus T. Neumann

Coast Guard: Daniel Harris

Marines: Maryann Hungarter, John McCue, Patrick McMurray, Kody Richard-Garrison

Navy: Gabriel Cotter, Ben Foster, Mary Hesler Foster, Tim MacCarrick

Veterans: Alex Baker, Kelly Baker, Pasquale Ione

Submit names and branch of service for this section at: [sainttherese.net/prayer-requests](http://sainttherese.net/prayer-requests)





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