



Saint James

CATHOLIC CHURCH

2021
ANNUAL REPORT



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Saint James Parish

Dear Friends in Christ,

I AM PLEASED TO PRESENT SAINT JAMES PARISH annual report, which has both the FY21 financial report and a summary of our pastoral work. Please take some time to review the report, as it reveals both God's blessings and how we have responded to them.

The past year (like the one before) was anything but normal. Because of the Covid restrictions then in place, our many different parish groups were kept from meeting. Still, we tried to make parish life something approaching normal. We were back in the church for all our Masses. Our parish school opened in September and continued the whole year with in-person teaching, five days a week. Our Parish Religious Education Program (PREP) adopted a hybrid format, with 2nd and 8th grade meeting in-person and the other classes virtually. In the spring, even with the restrictions still in place, we had beautiful First Communion Masses, and received a good number of people into the Church.

Our social outreach continued its good – and creative – work throughout the year, especially the First Friday Food Distribution. And, of course, The Fish Fry Drive-Thru was once again a huge hit (with apologies to our neighbors for the traffic jams in the neighborhood!).

In addition to these spiritual benefits, God blessed us financially as well. You will note a rather healthy surplus on our financial report. In addition to your generosity, there are two significant reasons for this. First, the government's forgiveness of the PPP loan we received. Second, an extraordinary dividend that Bishop Burbidge granted all parishes from Diocesan savings accounts. That gift is set aside for capital expenditures that we have already undertaken.

What are we going to do with this surplus? Well, first, we're giving some of it away. Similar to last year, we will donate \$50k to our neighboring parish, Saint Anthony of Padua, which serves so many of the poor in our area. Second, we will use most of the surplus to fund many necessary capital improvements around the parish campus in the coming years.

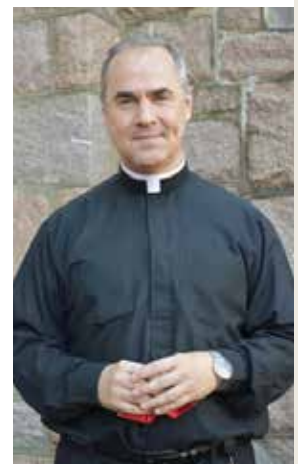
So, here we are, a few months into FY22, and things look good. Both our School and PREP are up and running on a normal schedule. Since the relaxation of Covid restrictions (and the lifting of the dispensation) last June, our Mass attendance has come back to normal. Our different study groups and apostolates have resumed their meetings and activities. Of course, our Social Outreach never missed a beat and continues its good work.

On Sunday, October 31st I will speak on this report at all Masses and will also ask you to make an offertory commitment for the coming year. We still depend on your generosity to continue our good works. But your decision of what to commit should be "inwardly decided" (2 Cor 9:7). Please reflect and pray on your offertory commitment for the coming year. It should be a deliberate expression of your gratitude to God for His gifts and your desire to give back.

Through the intercession of Our Lady and Saint James, may the Lord bless and keep you.

Sincerely in Christ,

Father Paul Scalin



Saint James Parish

FY21 FINANCIAL REPORT

July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021

BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS

Operating Accounts	955,049
DIAL Savings	4,532,364
Endowment Investments	115,000
Other Assets	135,981
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$5,738,394</u>

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	23,687
Loans Payable	13,333
Deferred Revenue	342,944
Other Liabilities	138,350
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>\$518,314</u>

NET ASSETS

Without Donor Restrictions (Unrestricted)	4,337,725
With Donor Restrictions (Temporarily Restricted)	767,356
With Donor Restrictions (Permanently Restricted)	115,000
TOTAL NET ASSETS	<u>\$5,220,080</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS	<u>\$5,738,394</u>

INCOME STATEMENT

REVENUE SOURCES

	CHURCH	SCHOOL	PARISH
Offertory/Tuition Income	1,988,074	3,378,141	5,366,215
Ministry Revenues	237,729	-	237,729
School Student Services	-	47,972	47,972
Other Sources of Revenue	285,225	442,260	727,485
TOTAL OPERATING INCOME	<u>\$2,511,029</u>	<u>\$3,868,373</u>	<u>\$6,379,402</u>

EXPENDITURES

Clergy	162,657	-	162,657
Staffing	921,285	2,849,552	3,770,837
Ministry Expenses	393,009	-	393,009
School Student Services	-	364,097	364,097
Buildings	262,313	396,085	658,399
Administration	376,268	129,986	506,255
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSE	<u>\$2,115,533</u>	<u>\$3,739,721</u>	<u>\$5,855,254</u>

NET OPERATING SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)

	<u>\$395,496</u>	<u>\$128,653</u>	<u>\$524,148</u>
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OTHER INCOME AND EXPENSE

Capital Fund/Extraordinary Income	1,175,040	121,150	1,296,190
Capital Expenditures	229,102	-	229,102
NET OTHER INCOME (EXPENSE)	<u>\$945,938</u>	<u>\$121,150</u>	<u>\$1,067,088</u>

NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)

	<u>\$1,341,434</u>	<u>\$249,803</u>	<u>\$1,591,236</u>
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Our Year in Review 2020-2021

ST. JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH

FISCAL YEAR 2021 BEGAN WITH SOME good news, namely Phase 3 of the state reopening. This meant that the 50% occupancy limit in places of worship was now lifted, allowing more freedom for the faithful to attend Mass—no more sign-ups or lotteries—but with masks and social distancing. It also coincided with new, refurbished doors for our historic church. Like FY2020, the St. James community found creative solutions to the challenges of the pandemic. Social Outreach served the needs of the poor through its monthly food distributions and partnerships with Catholic Charities St. Lucy’s Project. The Respect Life Group participated in the Annual Life Chain, the Knights of Columbus held numerous blood drives, the

Drive-by Fish Fry broke records serving delicious meals to the community, and the Young Professionals hosted the Saint James Ice Cream Social. Our Creation Care Ministry harvested vegetables from July through October and donated their produce monthly to food distribution. Our historic parish school was awarded its third Blue Ribbon of Excellence from the U.S. Department of Education as it opened its doors to an increased number of students. The spiritual life of the parish continued to thrive: multiple novenas were prayed, Lenten retreats were held, and thanks to the ingenuity of Fr. Vu, “reverse confessionals” were implemented to improve ventilation and keep the faithful safe physically and spiritually! Here is a look back at another unforgettable year.



JULY

FEAST OF ST. JAMES ICE CREAM SOCIAL Our first parish event since the start of the pandemic.

DON CAROLINA ARRIVES, replacing Dan Day as the new Director of Music.

SISTER MARGARET JOHN STICHTER, Director of our Homebound Ministry, leaves for St. Aloysius Academy for Boys in Bryn Mawr, PA.

AUGUST

PARISH SCHOOL OPENS with 5-day in-person teaching, enrolling 467 students.

SOCIAL OUTREACH collects 110 carloads of food via “Pop-N-Go” and hosts a “Pack-the Snacks” for the St. Lucy’s Project.

FATHER SCALIA BLESSES NEW PRESCHOOL and its 44 little souls!

A 4PM SUNDAY MASS IS ADDED temporarily to help with social distancing.

SEPTEMBER

THIRD NATIONAL BLUE RIBBON OF EXCELLENCE awarded by the U.S. Department of Education to Saint James Catholic School. Only 50 private schools named for 2020!

RECTORY OFFICES RE-OPEN to the public after a 6-month closure.

OCTOBER

BISHOP BURBIDGE VISITS SAINT JAMES CATHOLIC SCHOOL to celebrate its third blue ribbon and enjoy “rocket-shaped popsicles.”



OCTOBER *(continued)*

RESPECT LIFE GROUP participates in 33rd Annual Life Chain.

THE BLESSING OF THE PETS brings joy to all God's creatures!

NOVEMBER

ANNUAL MASS OF REMEMBRANCE The parish gathers to remember and pray for the dead, especially those who have died in the past year.

FAREWELL to Dan Day on Feast of St. Cecilia, Patron Saint of Musicians.

FATHER HOYOS LEAVES FOR SABBATICAL to his native Colombia.

POP-N-GO FOR WEE ONES held in support of Catholic Charities.

DECEMBER

IHM SISTERS RENEW VOWS on Feast of the Immaculate Conception.

THE NOVENA TO THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION is held for the second year in a row, with new speakers each night and livestreamed prayers.

THE HISPANIC COMMUNITY celebrates the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

EXTRA CHRISTMAS MASSES added; all livestreamed with overflow in the gym.

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS donate 32 units of life-saving blood.

JANUARY

POPE FRANCIS ANNOUNCES THE YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH on the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God. Prayers & novenas shared via the website.

NEW PASTORAL COUNCIL FORMED 16 members meet on January 16th, 2021.

MARCH FOR LIFE goes virtual. Parish has afternoon adoration and special 7pm Mass for healing, forgiveness and the end of abortion.

FR. DENIS TAMEH becomes Pastor of Sainte Anne Parish in Salem, MA.

FEBRUARY

DRIVE BY FISH FRY RETURNS. Its theme is "TUNAPAGE ON 2020"

PLAQUE IN HONOR OF MONSIGNOR PAUL V. HELLER installed in the left transepts of the church.

BISHOP BURBIDGE CELEBRATES SPECIAL MASS at St. James in thanksgiving for the gift of human life.





MARCH

CONFIRMATIONS RETURN with 116 teenagers confirmed in the church.

LENTEN MORNINGS OF RECOLLECTION sponsored by the PTO for men and women of the parish & school are well attended for the second year.

NEW WOMEN'S STUDY GROUP is announced with an 8-week study on Edith Stein.

LENTEN GIFT CARD DRIVE so successful that extra cards are shared with Catholic Charities and St. Anthony's parish in Falls Church.



APRIL

EASTER MASS IS CELEBRATED IN PERSON with overflow in the gym and livestreamed over the internet.

THE ARLENE C. TATE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP is established by parishioner Thomas Tate in honor of his beloved wife Arlene. The \$50,000 gift is the first endowed scholarship at Saint James Catholic School.

PARISH GARDEN PLANTED by Creation Care Ministry.



MAY

FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS are back to their original date pre-pandemic!

PTO HOSTS A VIRTUAL COCKTAIL PARTY & AUCTION Many parishioners attend the event, helping raise record funds for the school.

THE GREAT NOVENA TO THE HOLY SPIRIT is prayed May 14 to 23.

BISHOP BURBIDGE LIFTS COVID RESTRICTIONS on May 28. Ropes are removed and holy water is restored.



JUNE

THE PARISH LIBRARY reopens after being closed for over a year.

SISTER MELISSA MASTRANGELO announces her reassignment to Philadelphia as the new Principal of St. Monica's Catholic School.

RECTORY RAMBLINGS records its 84th episode entitled "Happy Trails."

WORKCAMP 2021 takes place with 30 teens and 14 adult volunteers.

WE SAY GOODBYE TO FR. STEVEN OETJEN, who will be studying Canon Law at The Catholic University of America.

WE WELCOME FR. JOHN PAUL HEISLER as our new Parochial Vicar.



FISCAL YEAR 2021 ENDS with some extraordinary results and the dispensation for Mass attendance lifted by Bishop Burbidge. The last 4pm Mass, added during the pandemic, takes place on June 27, 2021. Increased access to Eucharistic Adoration and the Sacrament of Confession is now a regular part of the St. James community. We reduced our livestream schedule to two Sunday Masses for the homebound: 10:30am and 2:30pm. Faith Direct outperformed last year's online gifts by over \$300,000 as many parishioners switched from envelopes to E-giving. Our volunteer ushers, lectors, sacristans, altar servers, collection counters, catechists, cantors and choir members provided invaluable support; they ensured that our liturgies and catechesis remained beautiful, reverent and safe. God bless you all for your outstanding service to St. James!

GOING FORWARD, please stay close to the sacraments and parish life. As things continue to open up, take advantage of all St. James has to offer in terms of volunteer, fellowship and spiritual formation opportunities. We thank you all for your faithfulness, your generosity, your service to others and most of all, for your witness to the Gospel of Jesus Christ. We are blessed to have you all as part of the St. James family!



FUN FACTS
THE ST. JAMES COMMUNITY
AT A GLANCE: *Who We Are*

7,804
Members

158
Confirmations

3,073
Families

100
Anointing of the Sick

467
School Students

62
Funerals

414
Prep Students

40+
Parish Groups & Service Ministries

283
First Communions

31
Marriages & Validations

189
Baptisms

21
New Catechumens

AS A PARISH COMMUNITY we achieved the following:

- Over 200+ Families served monthly by Food Distribution Team
- Drive thru Fish Fry served over 5,400+ meals in 2021!
- 56 live episodes of *Rectory Ramblings*, over 84 episodes since the start of the pandemic.
- \$189,216 raised for school's *Annual Appeal, Guardian Angel Scholarship and Clark-Delaney Teacher Fund.*
- \$183,750 raised by PTO via *Virtual Cocktail Party*, including \$48,880 for this year's Fund-A-Cause.
- Over 1.9 million in Offertory, including \$1,291,000 in Faith Direct gifts
- 200+ parishioners enrolled in Faith Direct since the start of the pandemic, including 80 new recurring givers for FY21.
- \$400,000+ for the BLA – 30% over goal for the second year in a row.



May God bless you all for your generosity and goodness.

Saint James, pray for us!



Happy Trails!

