

# Saint James CATHOLIC CHURCH

2020  
ANNUAL REPORT



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# Saint James Parish

Dear Friends in Christ,

**I AM PLEASED TO PRESENT THE ANNUAL REPORT FOR SAINT JAMES** Parish. This consists of the financial report for FY 2020 as well as a review of our pastoral work. Please take some time to review how God has blessed us this past year.

As you can see, we ended FY 2020 very well. We budgeted for a net surplus of \$88K and ended with an astonishing surplus of \$374K. So...what's to account for this performance in such a difficult time? Well, two very simple things: **generosity and stewardship**. Your continued support during the pandemic, especially through Faith Direct and by mailing in contributions, was a great blessing. We saw such an increase in offertory giving that even with the downturn we still ended 1% over our offertory budget. I pray that God rewards your generosity. The other deciding factor was our ability to reduce expenses: 8% under budget for the year.

In light of these blessings, I sought the Finance Council's guidance on tithing our surplus to a poorer parish. The Council was unanimous in encouraging this. So, as a way of thanking God for His goodness to Saint James, we will donate \$50K to Saint Anthony of Padua Parish. As you might know, Saint Anthony is in a poorer section of Falls Church. Its large Hispanic community has suffered the effects of COVID-19 disproportionately. The sharing of our blessings will assist in their proclamation of the Gospel and service to the poor.

The spreadsheet does not capture all dimensions of parish life. We had many good events and initiatives through February: our parish picnic, the Immaculate Conception Novena, our First Friday Food Distribution, the Lenten Days of Recollection, Lenten Friday Fish Fry, and so on. All was wonderful...and then COVID.

Thanks be to God, the resourcefulness and hustle of staff and parishioners during the shutdown enabled us to continue many good things and begin new ones. Our Fish Fry became an even more popular drive through. The ingenuity of that spilled over and enabled our Food Distribution to continue – and increase! Saint James School had online classes up and running within days. Our religious education program continued and concluded with First Communion and Confirmation ceremonies over the summer. We livestreamed our entire Mass schedule and increased times for Confession and Eucharistic Adoration.

We are now several months into FY 2021. Our school is fully open, religious ed is working on a hybrid model, we have extra Masses, Confessions, and Adoration. Still, the downturn in Mass attendance means our offertory numbers are down. COVID restrictions continue to affect our volunteer opportunities and our ability to gather as a parish. But with your prayers and help we will continue to find new and creative ways to serve one another and the broader community.

I will speak on these matters at all Masses for Sunday, October 25th. At that time, I will also invite you to make an offertory commitment for the coming year. Yes, we do depend on your generosity even more (the first several months of FY 2021 have already not been good for revenue). But your decision of what to commit should be inwardly decided, as the Apostle tells us (cf. 2 Cor 9:7). So, I ask you to 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

## FY20 FINANCIAL REPORT

July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020

### BALANCE SHEET

#### ASSETS

Operating Accounts	\$1,180,985
DIAL Savings	3,455,733
Other Assets	76,168
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b><u>\$4,712,886</u></b>

#### LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	12,432
Loans Payable	720,452
Deferred Revenue	217,444
Other Liabilities	133,714
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b><u>\$1,084,042</u></b>

#### NET ASSETS

Without Donor Restrictions	3,113,122
With Donor Restrictions	465,722
Permanently Restricted	50,000
<b>TOTAL NET ASSETS</b>	<b><u>\$3,628,844</u></b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; NET ASSETS</b>	<b><u>\$4,712,886</u></b>

### INCOME STATEMENT

#### REVENUE SOURCES

	CHURCH	SCHOOL	PARISH
Offertory/Tuition Income	\$1,987,191	\$2,909,473	\$4,896,664
Ministry Revenues	307,989	-	307,989
School Student Services	-	279,991	279,991
Other Sources of Revenue	217,884	310,263	528,147
<b>TOTAL OPERATING INCOME</b>	<b><u>\$2,513,064</u></b>	<b><u>\$3,499,727</u></b>	<b><u>\$6,012,791</u></b>

#### EXPENDITURES

Clergy	179,273	-	179,273
Staffing	971,668	2,663,944	3,635,612
Ministry Expenses	431,321	-	431,321
School Student Services	-	259,829	259,829
Buildings	221,242	349,543	570,785
Administration	336,319	120,836	457,155
<b>TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSE</b>	<b><u>\$2,139,823</u></b>	<b><u>\$3,394,152</u></b>	<b><u>\$5,533,976</u></b>

#### NET OPERATING SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)

	<b><u>\$373,241</u></b>	<b><u>\$105,575</u></b>	<b><u>\$478,815</u></b>
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#### OTHER INCOME AND EXPENSE

Capital Campaign & Bequests	39,900	-	39,900
Capital Expenditures	130,393	14,273	144,666
<b>NET OTHER INCOME (EXPENSE)</b>	<b><u>(\$90,493)</u></b>	<b><u>(\$14,273)</u></b>	<b><u>(\$104,766)</u></b>
<b>NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)</b>	<b><u>\$282,748</u></b>	<b><u>\$91,302</u></b>	<b><u>\$374,049</u></b>



# Our Year in Review 2019-2020

## ST. JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH

### FISCAL YEAR 2020 BEGAN WITH A SERIES OF CHANGES.

The parish said goodbye to Father Patrick Posey, who faithfully served the St. James Community for 13 wonderful years and welcomed a new Pastor, Father Paul Scalia. Father Scalia was installed as the 12th Pastor of Saint James Catholic Church by Bishop Michael Burbidge in August of 2019. This year has been a memorable one. We thought it warranted a special look back to see all that the Lord has done to preserve and protect the people of St. James Parish. It is our hope that this year's Annual Report or rather "Our Year in Review" will fill you with pride for all that has been accomplished as we pulled together as a parish family—referred to by Pope Francis as the "family of families"—to face a worldwide pandemic prayerfully, sacrificially, and joyfully. Enjoy a look back at this unforgettable year and thank you again for your incredible support.



### JULY

**ARRIVAL OF A NEW PASTOR** Parish says goodbye to Fr. Patrick L. Posey and hello to new Pastor, Fr. Paul D. Scalia.

**FEAST OF ST JAMES** celebrated with an Ice Cream Social on the lawn after Mass.



### AUGUST

**ACADEMIC YEAR BEGINS** St. James opens its classrooms for its 113th academic year!



### SEPTEMBER

**NUNFUNRUN** Hundreds of parishioners run to raise money for Camilla Hall, home of the IHM sisters.

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY** St. James Hispanic Community throws a surprise party for the 35th anniversary of Fr. Jose Hoyos' priesthood.



### OCTOBER

**FR JOEL KWAME ARRIVES** from the Archdiocese of Accra, Ghana, studying at Divine Mercy University.



**THE PARISH PICNIC & WHITE ELEPHANT BAZAAR** Parishioners & school families gather to enjoy these two annual events.







## NOVEMBER

**SCHOOL PLAY** The drama club hosts “An Evening with Lewis Carroll.”

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



## DECEMBER

**NOVENA TO THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION** A nine day devotion of reflections, prayers, & Masses.

**OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE** St James Hispanic community celebrates in full costume this important feast day.



## JANUARY

**MARCH FOR LIFE** The St. James pro-life group shows its support for life by marching on the Mall.

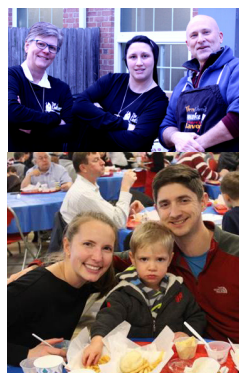
**CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK** School Open House. New Preschool announced.



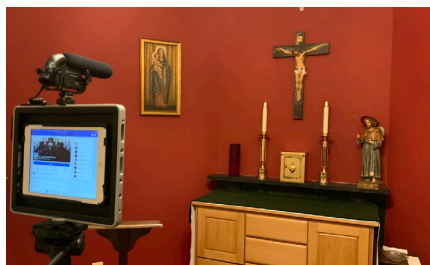
## FEBRUARY

**MARDI GRAS** Senior parishioners gather for a last hurrah before Lent, with beads and king cake.

**THE COD-FATHER** Volunteers kick off the 11th year of Fish Fry Fridays



*The beginning of March was filled with normal parish activities. Lent was in full swing including Stations of the Cross and Lenten Reflections. Then COVID hit and everything—the Emerald Gala, 8th grade Confirmation, our first Donut Sunday—was put on hold as we navigated the pandemic.*



## MARCH

**COVID-19 RESPONSE** Parish begins Novena to St. Joseph for the end of the pandemic.

**SCHOOL CLOSURES** its doors and has distance learning up and running within 2 business days!

**FISH FRY GOES DRIVE-THRU** as volunteers quickly adapt to continue bringing delicious food to the St. James Community.

**PUBLIC MASS SUSPENDED** and livestream Masses are up and running for all daily and Sunday Masses without missing a beat.

**FEAST OF ST. JOSEPH** Priests and IHM Sisters conclude the novena by making a Eucharistic procession around the perimeter of St. James.







## MARCH (continued)

**DAILY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION BEGINS** Volunteer door porters allow access to the Blessed Sacrament for 10 people at a time in 15 minute intervals.

**FIRST “RECTORY RAMBLINGS” BROADCAST** Fr. Scalia and Fr. Oetjen answer parishioner questions live on Mondays and Fridays.



## APRIL

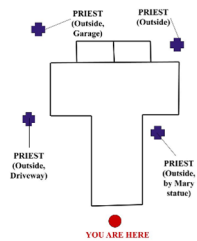
**SOCIAL OUTREACH GOES DRIVE-THRU** as First Friday Food Distribution shifts to social distance mode in order to continue serving the increased needs of the poor.

**CONFESSIONS AL FRESCO** The first step in providing the sacrament in a safe, reverent and confidential manner.

**EASTER TRIDIUM** Good Friday and Easter services livestreamed from an empty church.

**POP-N-GO COLLECTION** A new initiative to collect food for the poor in a safe, fast, and “socially distant” manner.

CONFESSIONS: Where are the priests?



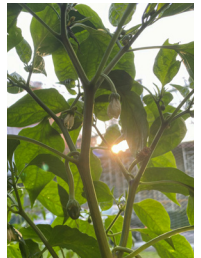
## MAY

**PARISH GARDEN** is planted by Creation Care Ministry.

**OUTDOOR COMMUNION SERVICE** The faithful are finally able to receive the Eucharist.

**PENTECOST VIGIL** Adult catechumens are confirmed in the church via a livestream Mass.

**PENTECOST SUNDAY** The first day back for public Masses since March 17th, albeit in the gym and with masks.



## JUNE

**REVISED WORKCAMP** Bishop Burbidge visits our high school volunteers, creatively serving with masks.

**DAN DAY RETIRES** after almost 30 years as Music Director.

**8TH GRADE CONFIRMATION** in masks and socially distanced groups.

**MASS RETURNS TO THE CHURCH!** “Come one, come all...but not at the same time!” Reverse confessionals in place along with increased hours for Confessions and Eucharistic Adoration.





**FISCAL YEAR 2020** ended with some amazing results. The generosity of our parishioners, who continued to give even during the suspension of public masses, helped us to not only make our offertory budget but to exceed it by \$15,000. The indomitable “can do” spirit of our volunteers ensured that our Fish Fry and Food Distribution remained in place, done safely as drive through operations. Our Social Outreach volunteers came up with new initiatives such as “Pop-N-Go” for food collection and “Pop-N-Go for Wee Ones” to help expectant mothers via donations to Project Gabriel and A Woman’s Choice. Our School’s PTO did not let the cancellation of the Emerald Gala get them down but rather, put together three virtual auctions that were highly successful and raised money for the purchase of new active boards for the school. The Knights of Columbus served the needs of our elderly and homebound parishioners, by checking in and bringing groceries. Thanks to the generosity of our volunteers and their love of the sacraments, we now have regular confession and Eucharistic adoration hours on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

**GOING FORWARD**, we ask that you stay engaged with the parish and a sacramental life in whatever capacity you can. We also ask you to continue to pray for the end of the pandemic, for the needs of the poor and for the entire St. James Parish and School Community.



**AS A PARISH COMMUNITY WE ACHIEVED THE FOLLOWING:**

- Over \$1.9 million in Offertory;
- 190 New Givers enrolled in Faith Direct between March 15th to June 30th;
- \$400,000+ for the BLA—30% over goal thanks to increased parish participation;
- Drive thru Fish Fry up 31% from 2019;
- 4,100+ Fish Fry meals served, including 400+ to families in need;
- Livestream platform built from scratch in three business days;
- 238 live streamed Masses and 28 live episodes of Rectory Ramblings;
- 14,624 total live viewers for all Sunday & daily Masses;
- \$93,000+ raised for the school, including our Annual Appeal and Guardian Angel Scholarship Funds; and
- \$108,000+ raised by PTO via three virtual Galas, including \$20,000+ for this year’s Fund-A-Cause for new Smart Boards.



**FUN FACTS**

*The St. James Community at a glance: who we are*

**7,670**  
*Members*

**100**  
*Anointing of the Sick*

**2,937**  
*Families*

**61**  
*Funerals*

**615**  
*Prep Students*

**40+**  
*Parish Groups & Service Ministries*

**425**  
*School Students*

**36**  
*Marriages & Validations*

**196**  
*Baptisms*

**28**  
*First Communions*

**149**  
*Confirmations*

**17**  
*New Catechumens*



*Photo: Zoey Marist, Arlington Catholic Herald*





*May God bless you all for your generosity and goodness.*

*Saint James, pray for us!*

