

Saint John the Baptist Parish

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Dear Parishioner,

Good day to you, I hope this finds you well! The safety and health of every member of our parish family have been in my daily prayers as together we continue to face the ups and downs of the coronavirus pandemic. I know that many have endured great pain and personal loss, not to mention the numerous concerns that have developed as the pandemic has imposed an ongoing struggle with fear and isolation in many people's lives. There is ongoing uncertainty of what is next.

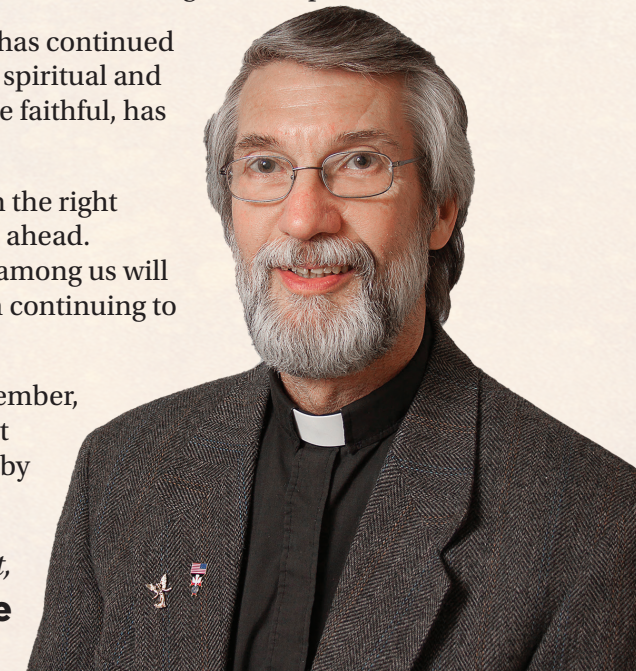
Our hope is that you have found comfort in our local and Diocesan outreach through our livestream of Sunday Mass, special mailings, phone calls and our prayer chain. There were also special collections through the Diocese to support our mission work both at home and around the world. Our parish family stepped up with volunteers who cleaned and sanitized our church to protect our parishioners; sent bulletins to those who are unable to join us in person; and began to hold events in ways to celebrate being together in a safe way. Most importantly, we have been able to celebrate the Sacred Liturgy in person and virtually with each of you. These are just a few examples of the outpouring of love we saw in the name of Jesus Christ throughout the pandemic.

I want you to know that through it all, the Church of Saint John the Baptist has continued to nourish the seeds of faith that have been planted, seeking to care for the spiritual and material needs of our entire parish family. The support provided by you, the faithful, has been just remarkable. Many thanks for your generosity and care.

The positive impact I have witnessed over the past year, has been a move in the right direction. I also realize that there is much we still need to do in the months ahead. Economic uncertainty and continued isolation mean the most vulnerable among us will need us now more than ever. Our mission and ministries need your help in continuing to meet the needs of our parish family.

I want to sincerely thank you for all that you have given to our parish. Remember, your contributions of your time, talent and treasure keep our parish vibrant and impactful. Please remember your parish, not only in your prayers, but by increasing your stewardship so we can continue God's work.

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Father Dave



Growing Support for our
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Community



Saint John the Baptist Parish Annual Report 2021

Flowers that Feed the Soul: Our Ministry Listing

- Youth Altar Servers
- Adult Altar Servers
- Lectors
- Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
- Ministers to the Sick and Homebound
- Greeters
- Ushers
- Adult Choir
- Cantors
- Youth Music Ministry, Choir and Cantors



Cultivate the Garden Within: Capital Improvements



There are four buildings that make up our parish, in addition to the three cemeteries that we maintain. Your contributions to the Building Fund, Cemetery Care, DLA and offertory help to maintain all of these areas. Over the last three years alone, we have

completed the following improvements: new roof on the school building; retrofitted lighting to LED in church sacristies; new doors at the school building; drainage rerouting in the parking lot; and upgrades to the security system.

Parish Financials

	2020-21	2019-20	2018-19
Offertory	\$ 302,309	\$ 298,221	\$ 318,803
Other Ordinary Income <i>(monthly collections, votive candles)</i>	3,467	1,067	3,247
Extraordinary Income <i>(bequests, donations, fundraising, interest, rental income)</i>	45,156	30,070	52,824
Diocesan Lenten Appeal Refund	173,390	98,022	111,656
Other Non-Assessable Income <i>(The Catholic Accent, sale of property, insurance reimbursements, and PPP Loan)</i>	63,452	44,502	37,219
Special Collections	7,251	11,895	20,063
Total Income	\$ 595,025	\$ 483,777	\$ 543,812
Expenses			
Administration	\$ 153,398	\$ 129,301	\$ 118,012
Church	26,875	38,757	35,938
Rectory	12,549	11,133	12,740
Education and Ministry	89,982	72,396	70,775
General Expenses	195,051	152,841	122,869
Special Collections	7,734	11,895	20,063
Extraordinary Expenses	87,209	66,614	162,861
Total Expenditures	572,798	482,937	543,258
Net Operating Income (Loss)	\$ 22,227	\$ 840	\$ 554

Our Garden



Registered Households

2021: 700
2020: 718
2019: 815

Single Member Households

296



Baptisms

2021: 7
2020: 7
2019: 13

Weddings

2021: 3
2020: 4
2019: 0



Funerals

2021: 27
2020: 32
2019: 35

Weathering COVID-19

Just as God has provided for you, you have provided for our parish. Your investment of your time, talent and treasure is like the tilling of the soil, helping us grow stronger. Despite the pandemic, our parish offertory remained strong primarily due to the generosity of our family members. The increase of those giving through our online option and the amazing return on our Diocesan Lenten Appeal helped to fill the everyday and extraordinary needs of the parish.

While we have not been able to hold our in-person events, both fundraising and social, those who participated in the mail raffles, takeout Lenten fish fry, spring vendor show, summer flea market and our seminarian send-off know that we are slowly opening to more in-person events.

We do have some future events on the calendar, including our famous BBQ half-chicken dinner Oct. 31 and the Advent Parish Family Day Dec. 12. Please consider participating by attending or lending a helping hand. Help us grow the flowers of tomorrow by planting the seeds today.

I would like to let you know that we are sending eight youth to the National Catholic Youth Conference in November. Our Youth Ministry members have a year planned focusing on catechesis, worship, service, leadership and social activities. For our young people in first to eighth grade, we are using a hybrid and intergenerational model, focusing on the importance of family and home in our faith journey. A group of moms have begun meeting on the first Wednesday of each month to share their joys, anxiety and lives; they affectionately refer to themselves as Moms Anonymous. Also, on the third Wednesday of each month, we offer an evening of prayer, reflection and worship.

All of these help us to deepen our roots and plant more seeds so that our parish family will continue to grow in faith, joy and love.

Ways You Can Give



BY MAIL:
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IN PERSON:
Sunday
7:00AM - 11:30AM
Monday - Thursday
8:00AM - 3:00PM
Friday - Saturday
Closed



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