



**Our Lady of the  
Sacred Heart Parish**

*The Collaborative Pastoral Region*  
*Reading, Ohio • Archdiocese of Cincinnati*



**Sts. Peter  
& Paul Parish**

August 20, 2020

TO: Collaborative Pastoral Region of Reading  
Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Parish &  
Saints Peter and Paul Parish

**RE: FINANCIAL STATEMENT, FUTURE COMMITTEE, SEPTEMBERFEST, TUITION ASSISTANCE**

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The past six months have been an extremely trying time for our parish, community, country and world as we fight the outbreak of the Covid-19 Corona-virus. Stay at home orders, closures, and face masks have led to a new sense of precaution as we slowly begin the journey back to life as it was before the outbreak. Just as this outbreak affected every household, it affected our parishes as well. I am so grateful to finally be celebrating Mass with you in attendance. In this letter, you will find an update on the Future Committee's work towards a plan for unification, information on Grade School Tuition Assistance for the 2020-2021 school year, financial reports for the region's 2019-2020 fiscal year, and details on Sts. Peter and Paul's SEPTEMBERFEST. Please read all the information contained in this mailing so that you understand the status of our region.

God's blessings,

Fr Matt

**FUTURE COMMITTEE UPDATE**

**Committee Members**

**Sts Peter and Paul**

Carol Antenucci      Tim Hoerst  
Katie Freson          Jeff Lichtenberg  
Cheri Lehrter        Jason Radar

**Our Lady of the Sacred Heart**

Donna Brandner      John Beckstedt  
Diane Lemen          Josef Buschelmann  
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The Future Committee was formed following the October 2019 Parish Meeting. We began meeting in January every other week until the shut-down by Covid-19. We resumed meetings at the beginning of August. So far, we have developed an ideal Parish Model of what a single parish in Reading should be, developed a new Mission Statement, and are currently assessing both campuses to see which one, or combination of, would be most suitable to meet both our current needs and our needs in the future. Our goal is to have a complete plan to present to the Regional Parish Pastoral Council and Finance Council sometime in October. Once our PPC and Finance Council have approved, we will schedule parish meetings for presentation and discussion. Please continue to pray for us as we prepare to make some hard decisions about recommendations for our future.



### CATHOLIC GRADE SCHOOL TUITION ASSISTANCE

Due to the closures forced by the Corona-virus and the cessation of Mass, tuition assistance applications for the 2020-2021 school year were not distributed. Applications can be found in the cross-section pews at Sts. Peter and Paul or in the gathering space at Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, or you may call the parish office and we can email a copy to you. Eligible applicants are active, participating Catholics at the parish to which they apply. Please submit applications no later than September 30, 2020. Please look for applications for the 2021-2022 school year in April, 2021.

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**FISCAL YEAR JULY, 1 2019 – JUNE 30, 2020**

**Our Lady of the Sacred Heart**

<b><u>Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Financial Report</u></b>		
<b><u>July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020</u></b>		
	<b>Actuals</b>	<b>Budget</b>
<b><u>INCOME</u></b>		
Sunday Offering	\$ 240,685	\$ 280,000
Electronic Giving	\$ 72,490	\$ 75,000
Christmas	\$ 11,508	\$ 15,000
Easter	\$ 4,235	\$ 10,000
Holy Days	\$ 4,196	\$ 3,000
Stock/IRA	\$ 31,898	\$ 15,000
<i>Total Envelope Giving</i>	<i>\$ 365,012</i>	<i>\$ 398,000</i>
Interest	\$ 11,611	\$ 9,000
1 Faith 1 Hope 1 Love	\$ 33,006	\$ 0
Other	\$ 19,831	\$ 8,000
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 435,400</b>	<b>\$ 420,900</b>
<b><u>EXPENSES</u></b>		
Personnel/ Taxes	\$ 193,470	\$ 225,400
General Administration	\$ 39,748	\$ 20,200
Educational Asst/Aid	\$ 18,660	\$ 25,000
Liturgy/ Music	\$ 10,486	\$ 17,500
Faith Formation	\$ 6,911	\$ 17,000
AOC Assessment	\$ 43,741	\$ 50,000
<i>Facilities Expenses</i>		
Church	\$ 41,754	\$ 52,900
Grounds	\$ 13,068	\$ 17,100
Rectory	\$ 3,585	\$ 5,500
Activity Center/ Gym	\$ 11,230	\$ 10,100
Parish Center/ Office	\$ 10,160	\$ 15,200
School	\$ 4,152	\$ 0
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 396,965</b>	<b>\$ 455,900</b>
<b>Net Income/ (Loss)</b>	<b>\$ 38,435</b>	<b>\$ (35,000)</b>
<b><u>Summary of Parish Funds</u></b>		
5/3 Bank & PNC	\$ 132,030	
Archdiocesan Notes	\$ 350,000	
Restricted (organizations)	\$ 49,035	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 531,065</b>	

Thanks to all who generously supported us this fiscal year. Prior to the Covid-19 shutdown that affected every family, OLSH was about even to budget for total Envelope Giving and expenses. Once the Archbishop decided that we would dispense from the Sunday obligation, donations declined significantly. During the shut-down, we were encouraged by the Archdiocese to keep staff on the payroll, even though they were not able to work full-time, if at all. When the government offered PPP forgivable loans, we started the application process, but quickly realized that our sizeable savings would not allow the loans to be forgiven. Thus, we stopped the application process.

Despite the downturn in donations during the shutdown, we ended the year in a very good position with a positive net increase of \$38,435. Several factors played into this success. First, your support of the One Faith, One Hope, One Love Campaign generated a refund to OLSH of \$33,006.00. Other factors included lower employee and utility expenses, unbudgeted rental income from the Activity Center, and very few maintenances issues.

The 2020-2021 predicted budget is set at a deficit of \$55,000 based on the current level of giving during the pandemic. Since the One Faith, One Hope, One Love Campaign has been completed by all but a few parishioners, we will not have that source of income available to us in the future.

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**FISCAL YEAR JULY, 1 2019 – JUNE 30, 2020**

**Saints Peter and Paul Parish**

<b>Saints Peter and Paul Financial Report</b>			
	<b>Actuals</b>		<b>Budget</b>
<b>BUDGETED INCOME</b>			
Sunday Offering	\$	315,667	\$ 390,000
Electronic Giving	\$	37,225	See line 1
Christmas	\$	15,012	\$ 14,000
Easter	\$	6,480	\$ 14,000
Holy Days	\$	6,191	\$ 6,000
Stock/IRA	\$	11,300	See line 1
<i>Total Envelope Giving</i>	\$	391,875	\$ 424,000
Interest	\$	29,144	\$ 29,000
Other	\$	25,604	\$ 20,250
<b>Total Budgeted Income</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>446,623</b>	<b>\$ 473,250</b>
	<b>Actuals</b>		<b>Budget</b>
<b>BUDGETED EXPENSES</b>			
Personnel/ Taxes	\$	240,275	\$ 221,841
General Administration	\$	15,765	\$ 20,895
Educational Asst/ Aid	\$	0	\$ 15,000
Liturgy/ Music	\$	9,812	\$ 15,900
Faith Formation	\$	12,059	\$ 17,675
AOC Assessment	\$	55,807	\$ 57,000
<i>Facilities Expenses</i>			
Church	\$	38,496	\$ 40,420
Grounds	\$	11,051	\$ 15,640
Rectory	\$	9,438	\$ 12,250
Auditorium/ Gym	\$	31,365	\$ 23,860
Notre Dame Hall/ Office	\$	32,243	\$ 38,580
School	\$	34,069	\$ 55,200
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>490,380</b>	<b>\$ 534,261</b>
<b>Net Budget Inc./ Loss</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>(43,757)</b>	<b>\$ (61,011)</b>
<b>NON BUDGETED INCOME</b>	<b>EXPENSE</b>	<b>Net Income</b>	
1 Faith, 1 Hope, 1 Love	\$ 10,572		\$ 10,572
Bequests	\$ 21,541		\$ 21,541
Festival	\$ 104,122	\$ 62,271	\$ 41,851
Fish Fry	\$ 3,170	\$ 700	\$ 2,470
Capital Repairs		\$ 143,902	\$ (143,902)
Athletics	\$ 13,443	\$ 25,369	\$ (11,926)
<b>Total Non-Budgeted</b>	<b>\$ 152,848</b>	<b>\$ 232,242</b>	<b>\$ (79,394)</b>
<b>END OF YEAR TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 599,471</b>	<b>\$ 722,622</b>	<b>\$ (123,151)</b>

Thanks to all who generously supported us this fiscal year. Similar to OLSH, SSPP did not apply for the forgivable PPP loan and donations have dropped significantly since the Covid-19 shut-down. Prior to Covid-19, we were well short of our budgeted income. However, due to savings in administration and utilities, we only posted a **net loss** of \$43,757 compared to the budgeted shortfall of \$55,000.

We knew going into this calendar year that we would have significant capital improvement expenses as we continue the organ and window restoration. Our capital expenses this year were \$143,902. Thankfully, much of this was covered through the final rebates from the One Faith, One Hope, and One Love Campaign, the summer festival, and a couple sizeable bequests.

Despite Covid-19 and the many capital expenses, I feel fortunate that we only have a net loss of \$123,151. Looking to the future, our 2020-2021 budget is set at a predicted loss of \$55,000 based on current Covid-19 levels of giving. Added to that will be capital improvement cost for the completion of the organ and phases 3 & 4 on the window restoration. Thank you for your support during these difficult times.

**Summary Parish Funds**

5/3 Bank	\$	188,759
Archdiocesan Notes	\$	900,000
Restricted (org.)	\$	50,257
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,139,016</b>

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August 27, 2020

Dear Friends of Sts. Peter and Paul and Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Parishes:

During these uncertain times, in which the Corona Virus has caused many activities in our community to be cancelled, we are blessed to be able to move forward with a portion of our annual Sts Peter and Paul Septemberfest. The festival is not simply a fundraiser for our historic parish, but also a very important way of building friendship and community. It is about bringing people from all walks of life together in Christ to celebrate all that is great in our parish and our city. With the support of your family and friends, we hope to use this event to keep our traditions alive.

In the coming days, additional details will be announced. Our main highlight will be continuing the Annual Kroeger Family Chicken Dinner on Sunday, September 20<sup>th</sup>. It will be located in the School Cafeteria and we will be taking the following precautions to ensure your safety:

- Reservations will be taken by Committee members after masses, electronically online, or responding to the Septemberfest email below.
- Limited reservations with designated time slots capped at 10 per table all socially distanced.
- You will be served by a single committee member throughout your reservation period.
- Separate entrance and exits to the cafeteria.
- Each diner will be asked to wear a mask in and out of the cafeteria. Servers and food preparers will be required to wear a mask at all times along with other food service standards.
- *Dinners will also be available for carryout or delivered* within the City of Reading.
- Lastly, once you have made the reservation, please prepay using the enclosed self-addressed envelope. This may be mailed, dropped in the collection boxes, or the locked parish mailboxes. This will reduce the close contact interaction and ease the flow when you arrive.

Thank you for your generous support in the past and we look forward to returning to normal in the future. Any Questions? Please Call the parish office at 554-1010 or email us at: [sppseptemberfest@gmail.com](mailto:sppseptemberfest@gmail.com)

Thank you for your patience and continued support!

**Septemberfest Festival Committee**

Tara (chair) & Kyle Gertz, Jimmy & Karie Gallo,  
Kevin and Mary Ann Mattscheck, Kris & Desi Ralston  
Rick and Michelle Ellison,

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