

Dear Parishioners,

Peace be with you. Hope your summer is going well.

Our Parish has accomplished many things the past two years! And hopefully, this is just a start in reinvigorating by developing a vision in building our community and broadening our reach to the greater community.

As you recall our accomplishments during the fiscal year July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021:

1. In the past few years, we have placed a new roof on St Colman Church and St Hubert's Hall.
2. Both St Coleman and St Elizabeth Churches both received new furnaces.
3. The outdoor church at St Elizabeth has had a major clean up with substantial brush removal and new signage.
4. The rectory/office has new computers, allowing the office to go digital (paperless). Churchtrac was installed and is operational (more on that later).
5. We have installed WIFI in St Elizabeth Church. This allows mass to be streamed, as well as, allowing fundraising to take credit card information at the end of mass when there is a fundraiser.
6. Upcoming projects include pest control inspections for all our buildings.
7. Tree clearing in the outdoor church at St Elizabeth as a preventative measure.

During the recent past fiscal year, July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022, here are our accomplishments:

1. Despite the COVID pandemic, the online version during the 2022 fiscal year was quite successful given the constraints. Good going Michelle and all those who helped make this event a success. (The tremendously successful recent event last month will fall in the 2022-2023 fiscal year, again thanks to all.)
2. The Chicken BBQ, the Crab Feed and the Mackenzie Golf Classic were yet again very successful. Congrats to Linda and all who helped.
3. We have re-started the social after the 9:30 Sunday Mass.
4. We are gathering bids for the rectory foundation repairs. All the engineering and geotechnical work are in a state of completion.
5. Our website is up and filled with information about what is going on in our Parish. Thanks to Mary it is regularly updated too. We hope to have the 2023 calendar of events posted on Churchtrac. Stay tuned.
6. The work has finished on the outdoor church. We have had an arborist check all trees and we have removed many that were dead or near dead. (Thanks Kim!) The tree trunks were used as fences along the west corridor.
7. In the office, we continue making progress on our paperless initiative.
8. The Parish Council was formed to advise our Pastor on Parish matters. Thanks to all who answered the call.

Again, thank you for all your generous financial help.

The Finance Council has reviewed and approved the Financial Highlights below. As you may recall, the financial records are kept on a fiscal year ending June 30th of each year. So, these highlights are for the period: July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022.

Some interesting items:

1. Total Receipts (Donations, Fundraisers, and other income) was down 10.4% over the same period last fiscal year.

2. Total Expenses are up by 25.7% from the prior fiscal period.
3. During this fiscal year, we started online giving. This method of giving represents 21% of our total receipts.

Thank you all for your generosity!

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