

Saint Jude the Apostle Catholic Church

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Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

I would like to begin this presentation of the 2012-2013 annual report for St. Jude the Apostle Catholic Church by thanking you for your generosity and support of our parish during the past year.

The Parish completed the past fiscal year with an operating surplus of approximately \$180,000 thanks in large part to a successful Archbishop's Annual Appeal campaign which generated a surplus of over \$72,000. This, coupled with our budgeted operating surplus of \$100,000 has allowed us to accelerate the payment of our debt by \$100,000 and prepare for some much needed facility repairs. I wish to sincerely express my gratitude for your generosity which has made this possible. The message of stewardship continues to be embraced by our parish in recognition of our spiritual need to return a portion of our time, talent and treasure back to God in thanksgiving for the unique gifts which He has bestowed on us.

Our parish has continued to grown spiritually. Since our introduction of our parish-wide spiritual development program, Christ Renews His Parish (CRHP), more than 300 men and women have participated in the 2-day weekends with some very life-changing effects. CRHP alumni deepen their faith and develop new programs for our parish to become greater disciples of Christ, such as "Walking with Purpose" and "Understanding your Gifts."

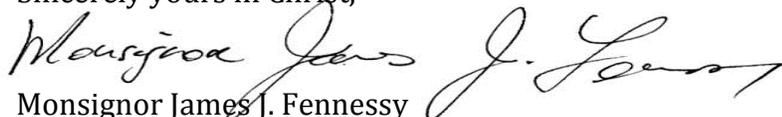
Our missionary programs are expanding with an increasing number of people volunteering to go to foreign countries to help those less fortunate than ourselves. Both adults and teens reached out as disciples of Christ to those in Jamaica and Nicaragua by helping to care for sick, feed the hungry, and bring clean water to those in need. Our Parish is expanding its educational and spiritual growth opportunities with several bible study programs and expanded adult education. Our Life Teen and EDGE programs for our High School and Middle School teens are developing leaders for the future of our church.

We have completed the construction of the memorial courtyard at the entrance to our church. The interior remodeling of the former Sisters' residence at 725 Spalding Drive into a spiritual life center has also been finished. Our fund raising for the future perpetual adoration chapel, led by our Portuguese Community, has been wrapped up and funds are in place to begin construction. We expect this project to be completed over the next 12 months. Through your generosity, the courtyard and spiritual life center were fully funded ahead of time. We are currently in the process of making repairs to the sanctuary, with the replacement of the roof scheduled this year. In addition, we have begun developing a plan to replace the carpet in the church. Again I want to thank you.

As we look to the future, our long-term plans focus on debt reduction, savings for future facility requirements, and additional fundraising efforts to ensure our parish is financially strong in the years ahead.

I thank you for your support of St. Jude Parish and I will continue to pray for you and your families as we continue to learn and grow in our gratitude for all of the blessings God has brought into each of our lives.

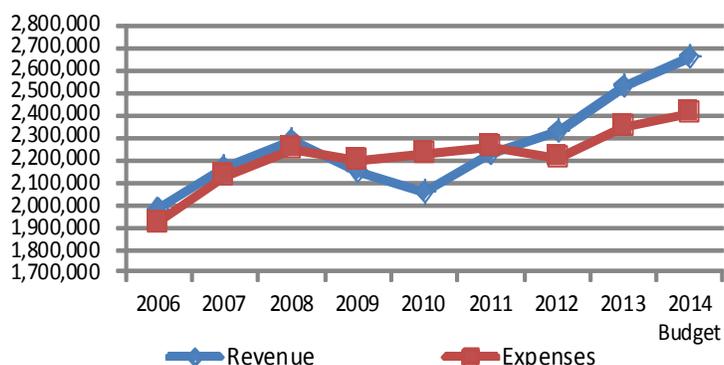
Sincerely yours in Christ,


Monsignor James J. Fennessy

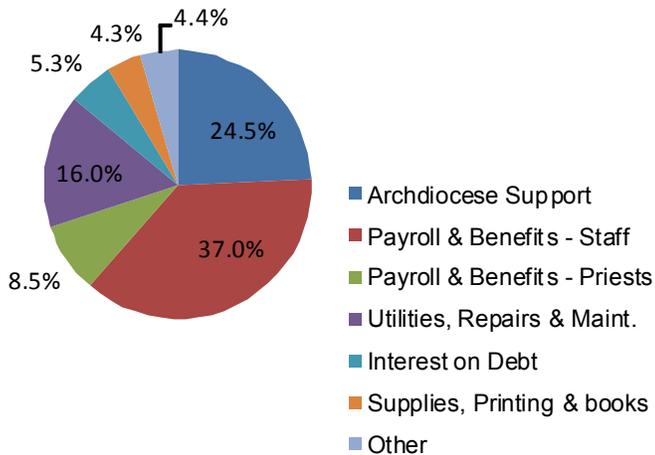
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Statement of Activities
For the Fiscal Years Ending June 30

	2014 Forecast	2013 Actual	2012 Actual
Income:			
Offertory contributions	\$ 2,571,477	\$ 2,341,185	\$ 2,197,296
Unrestricted bequest	-	16,407	8,500
Pre-school, Jaguar Sports, and other income	442,210	479,028	470,635
Gain/(Loss) on investments	-	12,568	(123)
Total income	3,013,687	2,849,187	2,676,308
Expenses:			
Parish:			
Utilities, repairs, and maintenance	367,865	375,701	399,182
Interest	110,964	124,915	131,560
Management, administration and other costs	417,185	425,991	352,082
Music	181,211	164,481	160,925
Priests and rectory	244,346	221,415	249,317
Liturgy	29,000	34,191	25,952
Total	1,350,572	1,346,695	1,319,018
Ministries:			
Religious education	290,220	262,738	238,852
Pre-school	229,460	191,550	206,680
Jaguar Sports	130,000	129,716	130,871
Parish life	147,976	135,285	141,330
Pastoral and special ministries	33,434	27,425	28,291
Total	831,089	746,713	746,024
Archdiocese Support			
Archdiocese support	316,582	310,542	256,094
Catholic schools of North Georgia support	247,424	247,037	203,691
Other	18,000	18,000	17,977
Total	582,006	575,579	477,762
Total expenses	2,763,667	2,668,987	2,542,804
Change in net assets	\$ 250,020	\$ 180,200	\$ 133,504
Repayment of principal debt	\$ (150,000)	\$ (153,414)	\$ (103,832)
Reserve fund for facilities	25,000	(8,723)	13,387
Contributions/(Usage) for Memorial Courtyard	-	(193,655)	205,818
Contributions/(Usage) for Adoration Chapel	(60,085)	44,093	15,992
Changes in working capital items		51,967	-
Other restricted contributions	-	-	5,570
Increase/(Decrease) in Cash	\$ 64,935	\$ (79,532)	\$ 270,439

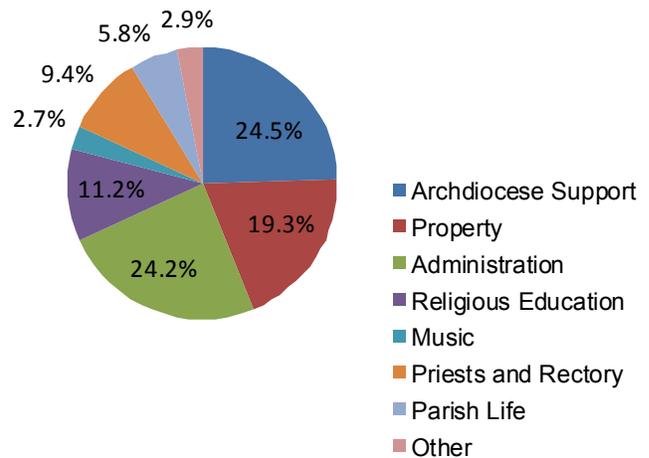
- During 2012-2013 our offertory contributions increased 6.5%. Operating expenses in 2013 increased by 1.3% and our total support of the Archdiocese increased by 20.5%.
- Our plan is to operate with the same level of parish expenses in 2014, to build our reserve for future capital expenditures and fund accelerated debt repayments.



Expenses by Type



Expenses by Function



- Clergy and lay payroll and benefits represent 46% of our operating budget.
- Our commitment to the youth of our parish demonstrated through hiring of our full time middle school youth minister.
- The combined payments on our debt in 2013 was \$278,327 which included interest at the rate of 5.5% of \$124,914, mandatory principal payment of \$53,414 and a voluntary principal payment of \$100,000. This planned additional debt repayment impacted our cash flow.

St. Jude the Apostle Catholic Church Balance Sheet As of June 30

	2013	2012
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 291,152	\$ 370,684
Investments at fair value	143,358	131,880
Other current assets	11,505	24,774
Current assets	446,015	527,338
Property and equipment	7,880,894	7,880,895
Total assets	<u>\$ 8,326,909</u>	<u>\$ 8,408,233</u>
Second collections and accounts payable	\$ 34,912	\$ 35,081
Restricted accounts and accrued expenses	269,721	377,661
Current portion of long term debt	58,234	60,499
Current liabilities	362,867	473,241
Long-term debt	2,141,832	2,292,982
Total liabilities	<u>2,504,699</u>	<u>2,766,223</u>
Net assets	<u>\$ 5,822,210</u>	<u>\$ 5,642,010</u>
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- In 2013 we completed the construction of the 50th Anniversary Memorial Courtyard. We will add to this project on an annual basis funded by directed donations.
- In 2012 the Portuguese community began raising funds for the addition of a perpetual adoration chapel in the former Sisters' residence at 725 Spalding Drive. With the addition of funds donated from all of the St. Jude communities, there are enough funds currently available to complete this project in 2014.

Discipleship in Action

<p>Sacraments</p> <p>1,030 Masses</p> <p>102 Baptisms</p> <p>117 First Communions</p> <p>66 Confirmations</p> <p>19 Marriages</p> <p>19 Funerals</p> <p>Education</p> <p>47 Littlest Angels</p> <p>141 PSR Students</p> <p>79 Good Shepherd Students</p> <p>8 SPRED Students</p> <p>135 Vacation Bible School</p> <p>Ministries</p> <p>93 Ministries</p> <p>2,689 Pledges of Ministry Involvement</p>	<p>Youth Ministry</p> <p>57 Kids Club</p> <p>44 EDGE Middle School Participants</p> <p>80 High School Life Teen Participants</p> <p>Liturgical Ministries</p> <p>4 Priests, 3 Deacons</p> <p>74 Lectors</p> <p>131 Eucharistic Ministers</p> <p>79 Altar Servers</p> <p>30 Ushers</p> <p>36 Sacristans</p> <p>31 Choir Members</p> <p>Other Ministries</p> <p>157 Women of St. Jude</p> <p>152 Men's Club</p> <p>60 St. Vincent de Paul</p>
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Our parish continues to thrive and grow as a vibrant, healthy and spiritual parish.

Our Christ Renews His Parish has been very successful with our 6th weekend currently in the final stages of planning and recruiting. The fruits of this program can be seen throughout St. Jude in the increase in spiritual programs, Bible studies and active participation throughout our various ministries.

Our youth ministry programs continue to affect the lives of our younger parishioners. In addition to the weekly growth in participation in our Life Teen Mass and Life and EDGE nights, our teens have participated in Sonfest, Covecrest, Christian Leadership Institute, SEARCH, Abbey Youth Fest, and a mission trip to Nicaragua with Amigos for Christ.

Our staff continues to try new ways to enhance communication throughout our parish. Through our weekly bulletin, monthly newsletter, online web-site, email blasts, lobby monitors, and e-vites, we are making every effort to inform the entire St Jude community of upcoming activities and events. We will continue to expand our communication efforts this upcoming year.

As we face the challenges ahead, please help us with your continued support, your continued involvement in all aspects of parish life, and your continued prayers for success as we journey together towards discipleship.

St. Jude Finance and Business Staff

Msgr. James Fennessy	Pastor
Rev. Mr. Bob Riddett	Parish Administrator
Kathleen Woods	Accountant
Eileen Kehres	Bookkeeper

Finance Council Members

Jay Cochran (Chairman)	Patrick Braley	Darren Crosby
Sarah Dekutowski	Jason Jones	Sarah Knott
Brian Monaghan	Glen Moyers	Susan Ambo
Lara Long (ex-officio)		

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