



2022 - 2023 ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Dear Friends,

I am very pleased to present our parish's 2022-2023 Stewardship Report! In it, you will see plenty of numbers that show how our parish is a vibrant, active spiritual home of 3,196 registered homes where together we – the parishioners – are using not only our financial resources but also our personal gifts and talents to help build up the Kingdom of God.



In this report, we do our best to quantify our parish's progress each year toward our mission of "being the church". So, you will not only see how our offertory continues to grow with the generous support of our parishioners, but you will see that our parishioners are generous with the Archdiocesan second collections and with our many ministry fundraisers and projects.

I am always humbled to see these numbers because they remind me how much our parishioners give of themselves for our parish. It reminds me that so many people rely on our parish for spiritual, emotional, and social support. It's wonderful to know that so many have chosen to belong to Saint Jude the Apostle Catholic Church in Sandy Springs, Georgia.

In Isaiah 43, the Lord says he has called each of us by name. *"I have called you by name: you are mine."* I believe each of you has been called here to our parish for a reason. Many of you have found that reason, and maybe some have not yet. If you have not yet, as you review this report, I encourage you to please open your heart to hear the Lord's call for you. This report is for you because you belong here. He has called you by name.

Let us continue to embrace the spirit of stewardship, recognizing that all we have is a gift from God. Let us strive to use our time, talents, and treasure for the greater glory of God and the service of one another. Together, we can continue to nurture our Eucharistic parish family and share Christ's love in our homes, parish, and community.

As always, may our patron, Saint Jude, guide and protect you and your family.

Sincerely in Christ,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "W. Joseph Corbett". The signature is fluid and cursive, written in a professional style.

Monsignor W. Joseph Corbett

Pastor

Do not fear, for I have redeemed you.

Dear Fellow Parishioners,

We are pleased to present the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Annual Stewardship Report for the twelve months ending June 30, 2023. Under the pastoral leadership of Msgr. Joe Corbett, our parish has made significant strides in improving our financial position.

From 2014 to 2023, our parish offertory has increased by 58%. In 2014 the parish was carrying a loan balance of \$ 2,134,649. Over the last nine years, our parish has been able to pay down the loans while making many major capital improvements to the property and increasing cash balances. The debt balance for the 2022-23 fiscal year end is \$266,629, and we anticipate that debt balance being paid off by June 30, 2024 (end of this fiscal year.)

As you know, parish offertory is our primary source of revenue. Our offertory for this fiscal year was \$3.8 million. All other revenue, including other donations, fees, bequests, the Archbishop's Annual Appeal refund, the Brazilian Festival, the Men's Club donation, and the preschool, amounted to \$700,000 resulting in a total revenue of \$4.5 million.

Even with the rate of inflation, we were able to maintain our expenses. This was accomplished while we made major property improvements to the Adoration Chapel as well as modernizing the elevator.

Overall, our parish operation generated a surplus of \$625,000 which allowed us to make principal payments of \$344,000 toward our debt, including a \$250,000 discretionary payment.

Why is all this important? A healthy balance sheet and strong financial position allow our parish to plan and prepare for the future. Significant additional improvements are needed to ensure our parish can thrive for generations to come. Because of the generous support of our parishioners, those plans can now begin to take shape.

Sincerely,

Saint Jude Finance Council

Members: Mary Sue Ahlert, Chair; Maureen Sullivan, Secretary; Kelli Dakake, Wayne Jackson; Bliss Jones; Jeffrey Laborde, Holly Monaghan, Bruce Simmons,

Parish Financials



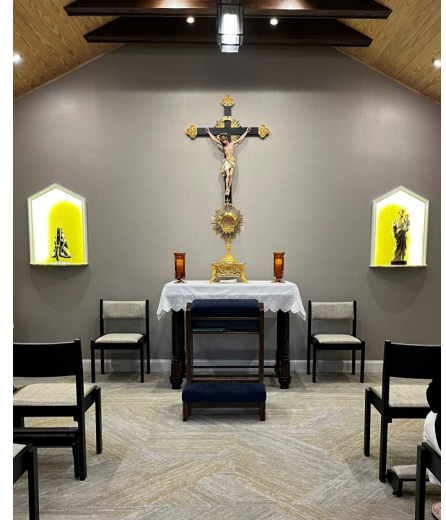
*When you pass through waters, I will be with you;
through rivers, you shall not be swept away.*

For the fiscal years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022

Revenue	2023	2022
Offertory	\$3,797,478	\$ 3,638,152
Other Donations	51,580	69,790
Annual Appeal Refund	40,485	23,742
Religious Education	58,638	54,133
Interest Income	25,534	8,907
PPP Loan Forgiveness Income	-	16,369
All Other Income	248,057	86,159
Preschool	277,788	309,060
Jaguar Sports Income **	-	144,119
Total Revenue	4,499,560	4,350,431
Expenses		
Admin. & General	662,078	626,530
Archdiocesan Assessments	556,699	600,700
Facilities	616,690	574,297
Religious Education	430,650	435,335
Clergy & Rectory	337,111	319,661
Music	241,176	245,672
Stewardship	250,046	264,147
Liturgy	115,754	103,194
Property Improvements	365,786	309,476
Interest Expense	23,427	23,876
Preschool and Jaguar	274,802	417,080
Total Expenses:	3,874,220	3,919,968
Revenue over Expenses	625,340	430,463
Changes in operating assets and liabilities	35,955	(27,565)
Repayment of Debt	(344,110)	(277,586)
Change in designated purpose accounts	(29,740)	21,345
Net increase (decrease) in cash balances:	\$ 287,445	\$ 146,657

*This financial information does not include the results of the operations of Saint Jude the Apostle Catholic School.

** The operations of Jaguar Sports was moved to Saint Jude School beginning July 1, 2022





*When you walk through fire, you shall not be burned,
nor will flames consume you.*

Second Collections Contributions

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
St. Vincent de Paul (St. Jude Conference)	294,160	336,104
Catholic Relief Services - Turkey and Syria 2023, Haiti 2022	8,181	12,057
Archdiocesan Seminarians	18,996	17,238
Catholic Charities	18,125	16,601
Religious Retirement	8,634	9,754
Archdiocesan Hispanic Ministries	4,521	6,476
Catholic Relief Services	11,364	20,368
Archdiocesan St. Vincent de Paul	7,966	6,978
Black and Indian Mission	4,194	3,323
Holy Land	5,282	3,846
Catholic Home Missions	5,396	4,084
Peter's Pence	3,731	2,792
Mission Cooperative	2,780	3,217
Campaign for Human Development	3,133	2,948
Catholic Communications	3,963	2,203
Church in Latin Amer./Central and Eastern Europe/World Missions	3,576	3,737
Catholic University	2,677	3,585
Archdiocese for Military Services	5,596	-
Total Second Collections Contributions	393,279	455,311



Sacraments



*For I, the Lord, am your God,
the Holy One of Israel, your savior.*

SACRAMENTAL CELEBRATIONS

Baptisms	127
First Communions	107
Confirmations	76
Marriages	22
Funerals	37
Anointing of Sick	85

ADORATION

Adoration Guardians	325
Weekly Hours of Adoration	101

MASS

Masses per week	19
Liturgical volunteers per week*	261

**We have, on average, 261 parishioners who serve in liturgical roles each week so that we can offer 19 Masses. This includes altar servers, eucharistic ministers, greeters, lectors, music groups, ushers, and sacristans.*

Thank you to all who serve our parish!

Religious Education



*Bring back my sons from afar,
and my daughters from the ends of the earth:*

RCIA Participants	41	Middle School Students in EDGE	25
Adults in a study or class	358	Middle School Students in Purpose	32
Parish Mission Attendees (in person)	725	Middle School Service Squad	21
FORMED Online Subscriptions	1,120	High School Students in Life Teen	144
Students in Parish School of Religion	306	Students in our Parish Preschool	62
Catechists for PSR	79	Students in our K-8 Parish School	481



Parish Life & Service



*Because you are precious in my eye and honored,
and I love you.*

Adopt-A-Family - Families served	100
Interfaith Outreach Home Giving Tree	\$ 28,000
Knights Blood Drive (May 2022) Pints of blood donated	84
Knights Food Drives for CAC (Holiday, Spring)	\$ 10,669
Knights Wreaths Across America	\$ 11,180
Mustard Seed	\$29,947
Pregnancy Aid Clinic - Baby Bottle Boomerang	\$6,329
St. Vincent de Paul - Households served	445
Stephen Ministry - Adults served	8



Parish Households



*All who are called by my name I created for my glory;
I formed them, made them.*

2022-2023	Registered Households 3,173	Individual Parishioners 9,217	New Households 400
2021-2022	Registered Households 2,773	Individual Parishioners 8,004	New Households 205



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