

## BY THE NUMBERS

Families registered	1,723
Baptisms	38
First Communions	35
Confirmations	48
Marriages	7
Funerals	18
Children in Religious Education Program	259
Average number of people attending Mass each weekend	630
Average number of people attending Mass each weekday	25

## OFFERTORY REPORT

Number of parishioners...	
Receiving envelopes	1,142
Using envelopes per week	147
Using online giving	174

Parishioners who pledge their Offertory gift each year helps us to accurately plan our budget expenditures. We are especially grateful to those parishioners who have consistently pledged and given increased Offertory gifts for the last several years.

## FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS

During the last year we completed the installation of new church lighting, door locks, security system and repairs to the church roof and parking lot.

We continue to focus on the maintenance and upkeep of the church building and grounds, in addition to our Campus Redevelopment Project to address the vacant school and convent buildings as well as the potential construction of a Parish Center.



## MISSION STATEMENT

Under the Guidance of the Holy Spirit as a Welcoming and Diverse Community, We, the Parish of Saint James the Apostle Invite All to Worship as We Celebrate the Eucharist, Proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ and Serve the Needs of One Another, as We Help Build the Kingdom of God on Earth.

## PARISH MINISTRIES

<u>Word</u>	<u>Worship</u>	<u>Service</u>
•Baptismal Prep	•Altar Servers	•Advent Giving Tree
•RCIA	•Environmental Liturgical	•Bereavement
•Small Groups		•Helping the Hungry
•Men's Ministry	•Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	•Prayer Shawl
•Baptismal Ministry	•Marian Devotion	•Respect Life
•Marriage Prep & Sponsor Couple Program	•Ministry of the Word	•Prayer Line
	•Music Ministry	•Saint Zita Group
	•Ministers of Hospitality & Ushers	•Blood Bank
		<u>Community Building</u>
		•Family Promise
		•Wellness & Mental Health
		•Parish Life
		•Fundraising
		•Hiking & Nature Group

## ONLINE GIVING THROUGH ParishSOFT

Use our Online Giving option to help St. James meet the needs of our community and the parish. Visit our website to set up your account for automatic offerings donations.



## QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS

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# 2022 State OF THE Parish REPORT

## *Message from Father David Santos*



Dear Parishioners,

I'd like to begin this year's State of the Parish message with a resounding **THANK YOU!** Thank you for your generous response to the appeals and the initiatives over this past year. As you can see in the report, we are making great strides as a parish community. The underlying message that I hope you take away from this year's report is this – while our individual steps as parishioners may seem small, together those steps amount to significant leaps forward towards our successful future state. Let's keep the momentum going!

It is enormously encouraging for us to pause for a moment and consider the many steps each of you, the wonderful parishioners of St. James the Apostle Church, have taken that has enabled our beloved parish to positively leap forward.

Here are a few examples:

- Increase in parishioner involvement in outreach opportunities
- Increase in parishioner involvement in parish ministries
- Increase in parishioner participation in community building events led by the Parish Life committee
- Whole family participation in our revamped Religious Education program
- Increased giving to the Sunday Collections
- Exceeding the parish goal for the 2022 Archdiocesan Annual Appeal
- Support for new fundraising initiatives

The Finance Council and I are conscious of the fact that we still have work to do. While you can see in the report an increase in expenses, largely related to physical infrastructure repairs and the maintenance of the church, rectory, and school buildings, we are determined to continue to be good stewards of the parish's resources.

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We are also very conscious of the fact that an important barometer of a parish's health and longevity is the **active and generous participation of ALL its parishioners**, both in the pastoral ministry of the church and in the generous financial support of the church's operations. It is clear to see from the State of the Parish report that your continued generous response to the parish's financial need and the Finance Council's work has brought the parish to an almost breakeven from a **deficit of \$185,000**. It is safe to say that this is a praiseworthy accomplishment and a bright testament to our partnership.


Integral to our responsibility as stewards has been the highly engaging and thorough Request for Proposal process for the redevelopment of the school and convent properties, as well as the feasibility study for a potential Centennial Capital Campaign to build a new parish center. It is our hope that once the proposals have been submitted and reviewed later this month, we will have a clearer picture of what's possible with regards to both the redevelopment of the school and convent properties and the construction of a new parish center vis-à-vis a Centennial Capital Campaign. I'd like to reiterate the 3-fold goals that have been determined by the Finance Council and validated by the St. James Campus Redevelopment Committee:

- 1) **Tackle the legacy debt** (approximately \$800,000)
- 2) **Generate an ongoing revenue stream**
- 3) **Address current and future building needs** (school, convent, rectory, new parish center)

Friends, with our Centennial celebration well underway, I'd like to quote the beautiful last line from our parish's Centennial Prayer: "Good and gracious God, may your goodness and love, which has guided us these one hundred years, continue to sustain us in the present and lead us into the future." As we continue to make important strides towards a successful future state, let us be mindful of the source from which all good things come and to whom all thanks and praise is due – our good and gracious God!

Thank you, God, for this wonderful community of faith. Thank you, God, for giving us the wisdom to take small steps individually and the courage to take positive leaps collectively. Thank you for walking with us each step of the way, every single day.

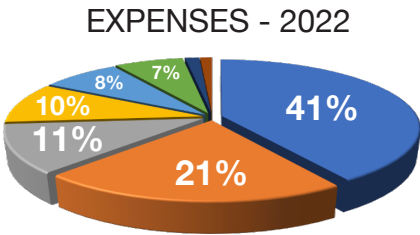
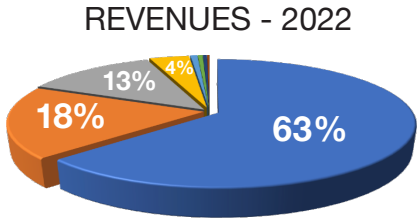
I remain sincerely yours in Christ,

  
Rev. David C. Santos  
Pastor  
St. James the Apostle Church

**ST. JAMES THE APOSTLE CHURCH • FINANCIAL SUMMARY**

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED: JUNE 30, 2022

	June 30, 2022	June 30, 2021	June 30, 2020
<b>REVENUES</b>			
Collections: Sunday, Christmas & Easter	581,685	458,538	495,307
Fundraising Revenue Before Expenses	168,048	7,141	-
Donations, Gifts, & Other Restricted Revenue	117,407	35,173	31,642
Religious Education Revenue	35,450	32,364	45,380
Archdiocesan Assessment Collections	6,224	861	3,616
Candle Revenues	4,441	-	3,495
Interest Income	3,508	3,466	1,967
Miscellaneous Revenue	2,070	2,427	18,812
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>918,833</b>	<b>539,970</b>	<b>600,219</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>			
Salaries, Benefits, Pension Costs, & Payroll Taxes	374,822	380,374	427,529
Building, Utilities, & Equipment Costs	197,671	136,292	64,400
Fundraising Expenses	105,260	5,270	1,420
Contracted & Professional Services	88,298	76,644	51,239
Archdiocesan Assessments	69,840	81,252	83,630
Liturgical, Office, & Residence Supplies	60,835	30,029	64,929
Religious Education {Excluding Salaries}	12,509	7,463	12,609
Miscellaneous Expenses	10,601	7,305	11,550
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>919,836</b>	<b>724,629</b>	<b>717,306</b>
<b>DEFICIT FROM OPERATIONS</b>	<b>(1,003)</b>	<b>(184,659)</b>	<b>(117,087)</b>



**NOTE:** This financial summary does NOT include extraordinary and non-recurring items including renovation donations, renovation expenses, capital campaign donations, capital improvement expenses, bequests, and other one-time revenues and expenses. This summary is intended to reflect the results of operations only.