BY THE NUMBERS

Families registered	1,797
Baptisms	50
First Communions	46
Confirmations	46
Marriages	8
Funerals	24
Children in Religious Education Program	302
Average number of people attending Mass each weekend	725
Average number of people attending Mass each weekday	25

OFFERTORY REPORT

Number of parishioners...

Receiving Weekly Collection Envelopes	717
Making Recurring Gifts Online	165

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 various repairs & maintenance to the church, rectory and campus grounds.

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 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

Word Worship •OCIA •Altar Servers Small Groups Liturgical Men's Ministry Environment •Baptismal Ministry Extraordinary •Marriage Prep & Ministers of Holy Sponsor Couple Communion Program Marian Devotion Lectors Ministry Music Ministry Ministers of

Service Advent Giving Tree Bereavement Helping the Hungry Prayer Shawl •Respect Life •Praver Line Saint Zita Group **Community Building** •Youth Ministry •Wellness & Mental Health Parish Life

 Parish Festival Hospitality & Ushers •New Parishioner Ministrv

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. SCAN ME

QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS

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Message from Fr. David C. Santos

Dear Parishioners.

An indispensable element of a successful parish enterprise is to be a community of faith. To be a community of faith is to be a group of believers who value religious faith. are excited about sharing that faith, and who are committed to the service of others. Over this past year we have hosted and organized many parish events that have helped nurture and grow our sense of community. The parish staff and lay leaders have worked diligently to build small-group adult faith formation programs, a faith-filled and familyoriented religious education program. fun fellowship-oriented socials, and meaningful liturgical and worship experiences. Contributing to the growth and development of our wonderful community of faith here at St. James has been a beautiful labor of love. And there is still more work to be done.



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The Campus Redevelopment Committee, Finance Council, and parish lay leadership are close to finalizing the multifaceted plan for the sale of the school and convent properties, a major parish capital campaign, and the construction of a new parish center. Given the complexity of the project and the requisite Archdiocesan approval process, the work has been painstakingly slow, even as it is super exciting. Please continue to follow my Pastor's Columns in the bulletin for an update on the campus redevelopment project.

As you can see in this year's report, we continue to make great strides as a parish community towards an ever-successful future state. The engine of growth and development is roaring full speed ahead, and the fuel which has powered our success has come from **YOUR** partnership with the parish staff and our lay leaders.

The confidence and support you continue to place in the various parish leadership groups and committees who have diligently aided our growth and development is greatly appreciated. We do not take our responsibility lightly, and we are grateful that the Holy Spirit has been clearly present throughout.

Peace,

Fr. David C. Santos

ST. JAMES THE APOSTLE CHURCH · FINANCIAL SUMMARY

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED: JUNE 30, 2024

June 30. June 30. June 30. 2024 2023 2022 REVENUES 642,284 611,736 581,685 Collections: Sunday, Christmas & Easter 198,939 243,548 168,048 Fundraising Revenue Before Expenses 117,407 55,121 69,339 Donations, Gifts, & Other Restricted Revenue 48,040 30,395 35,450 **Religious Education Revenue** 24,243 Buildings Maintenance & Repair Collection¹ -6,224 23,597 18,069 Archdiocesan Assessment Collections 18,775 34,892 2,070 Miscellaneous Revenue 10,643 7,792 3,508 Interest Income 7,192 9,600 4,441 Candle Revenues TOTAL REVENUES 1,028,834 1,025,371 918,833 **EXPENSES** Salaries, Benefits, Pension Costs, & Payroll Taxes 341,509 374,822 401,049 197,839 197,671 Building, Utilities, & Equipment Costs 185,423 Fundraising Expenses 132,975 151,429 105,260 82,995 60,835 Liturgical, Office, & Residence Supplies 100,904 Archdiocesan Assessments 83,434 80,196 69,840 Contracted, & Professional Services 73,585 88,298 78,130 28,789 10,601 Miscellaneous Expenses 40,685 Religious Education {Excluding Salaries} 19,253 18,078 12,509 974,420 919,836 TOTAL EXPENSES 1,041,853 50,951 **OPERATIONS SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)**² (13,019)(1,003)



NOTE: This financial summary does <u>NOT</u> 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.

¹ - Prior year amounts are included within "Donations, Gifts, & other Restricted Revenue".

² - Current year deficit from operations, includes \$14,000 of costs for facility improvements in June where reimbursement from grant money wasn't received until July.