



CHURCH OF SAINT ROSE

BELMAR, NJ

Stewardship Report 2019-2020

Dear Parishioners,

Praise be Jesus Christ now and forever!

“We are all in this together.” How many times have we heard or read those words during this pandemic? Words that convey a sense of comfort, solidarity, hope, community and mission. While our lives have certainly been impacted and changed in so many ways since we first heard the words COVID-19, we realize that we are not alone in all of this and that we need to support, encourage and work together in getting through these difficult and challenging times. Most of all, we know that the Lord is with us!

As parishioners, you have certainly heard that call to action! I have been amazed by your tremendous support of our parish even when our church had been closed for over three months. You have given generously to support our livestreaming of daily and weekend Mass which still continues. You have mailed in your offertory donations, donated online and when we began having Mass in person, in Church, contributed your offering during Mass. Several parishioners have shown an extra support of generosity through very generous gifts to which we are most grateful. In August, on the Feast of Saint Rose (August 23rd), we had a special “Make Up Donation Day” which brought in over \$25,000 alone! You did all of this because you realized ***we are all in this together.*** Thank you!

However, and even more, it is refreshing to see you, our faithful and devoted parishioners return to Saint Rose Church for Mass and to participate in the Eucharist, the greatest gift and longing of our hearts who is Jesus, the Bread of Life. We have taken the necessary protocols and sanitizing procedures to keep a safe worship space and we will continue to do so. We hope and pray that many more of you will return and rejoin our parish family.

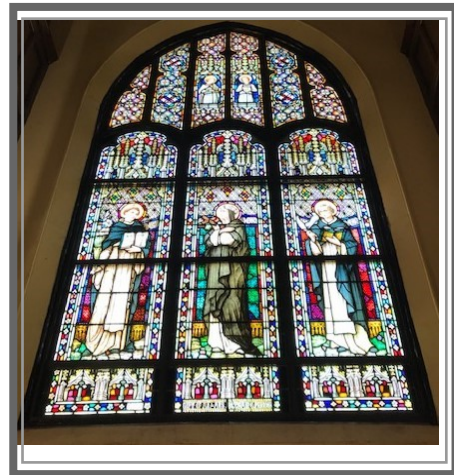
In the name of our Parish Trustees, Mrs. Claire Deicke and Mr. Thomas Mullooly, our parish Business Manager, Mrs. Stephanie Engelstad and the members of the Finance Council, I am pleased to present our **“2019-2020 Stewardship Report”** which will give you a snapshot of how our parish is doing financially as well as a report on offertory giving, numbers of sacraments celebrated, school enrollment (high school and grammar school), a list of the ministries in the parish, and finally, a listing of members of the two advisory councils in our parish (Pastoral and Finance). I am most grateful to these members of our parish family who share their gifts and talents with us and thank each of you for all you do for Saint Rose Parish!

These are uncertain times indeed. But remember, ***we are all in this together.*** Let us continue to work together in building up the Body of Christ here in this portion of the Church of the Diocese of Trenton. Let us count our blessings and offer to our loving and merciful God the continued stewardship of our time, talent and treasure as we continue growing together as disciples of Jesus and celebrating our faith in our wonderful parish of Saint Rose of Lima!

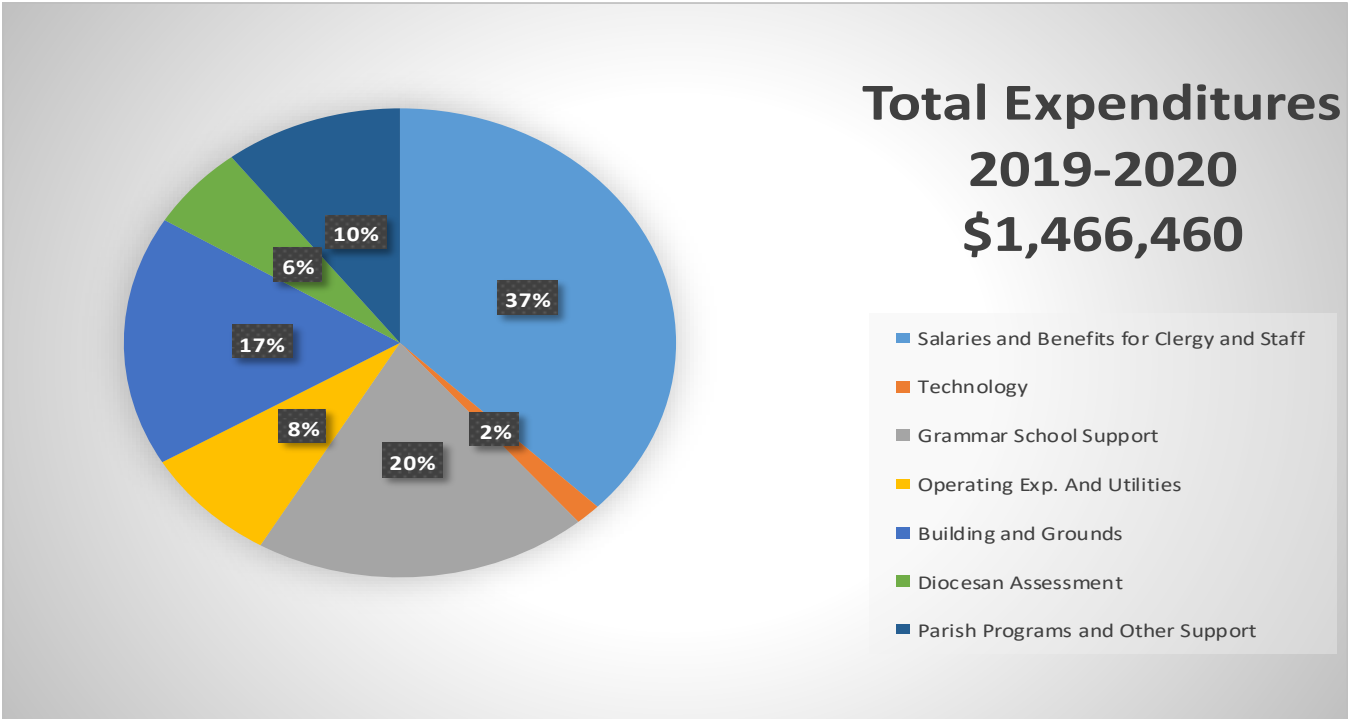
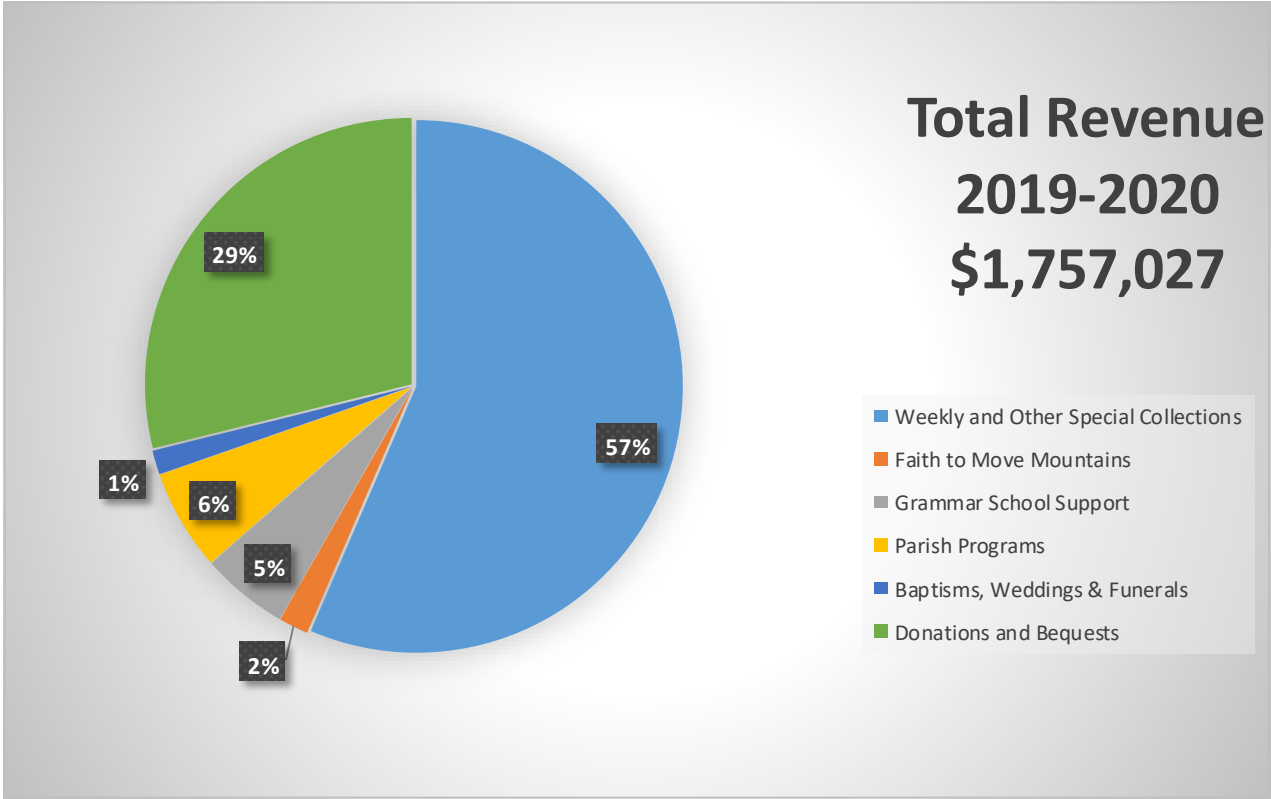
Thank you, God bless you, and stay well!

Gratefully yours in Christ,

Rev. Msgr. Edward J. Arnister, Pastor



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Our Ministries

Prayer and Study

Christian Meditation
 Thomas Merton Group
 Men's Cornerstone
 Legion of Mary
 Rosary Altar Society
 Women's Bible Study
 Scripture Class
 Spirituality Committee

Social Concerns

Consolation
 English for Speakers of Other Languages
 Knitting and Crocheting Group
 Respect Life
 St. Vincent de Paul
 Selective Seconds

Youth and Young Adult

Little Angels Liturgy of the Word
 Mercy Club
 Club Faith
 Youth Choir
 Children's Choir
 Young Adult

Liturgical Ministries

Altar Servers
 Eucharistic Ministers
 Lectors
 Sacristans
 Ushers
 Music— Adult and Funeral Choir
 Money Counters

Sacramental Prep

Baptism
 Pre-Cana
 RCIA
 Catechetical
 Religious Education

OUR OFFERTORY REPORT

OF PARISHIONERS RECEIVING ENVELOPES 1339

OF PARISHIONERS USING ENVELOPES ON A REGULAR BASIS 200 per weekend

OF PARISHIONERS GIVING ONLINE 160 per weekend

Due to our live masses being cancelled during the pandemic, our statistics are somewhat skewed. The above are our latest counts and reflect parishioners slowly coming back to live Masses. We are seeing many parishioners enroll in electronic giving and we thank them for doing so. Please visit our website www.strosebelmar.com to sign up.

ESTATE PLANNING:

We are continuously grateful for those parishioners who remember St. Rose in their wills, estates and planned giving. Mr. Charles O'Brien, a summer parishioner, left us a substantial gift in his will this past year and we are forever grateful! If you are considering St. Rose as a beneficiary, please contact the office and we will be happy to assist.



CHECK OUT OUR NUMBERS! JULY 1 2019— JUNE 30 2020

2995 Families in our Parish	12 Sacristans
52 Baptisms	33 Ushers
0 First Penance *	72 Eucharistic Ministers
0 First Communions *	30 Lectors
0 Confirmed *	31 Altar Servers
19 Weddings	57 Choir participants
52 Anointings of the Sick	13 Cantors
48 Funerals	40 Teachers/Aides/ Volunteers in Religious Ed
249 Children in Religious Ed	2500 Frozen Meals Given to the Poor
287 Students in SRGS	* Due to covid restrictions, no sacraments were cele- brated until after June 30, 2020.
390 Students in SRHS	
75 Adult Education Students	

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Pastoral Council

Co-Chairs: Maryann Trez Carol Krakower-Breine

Cathy Sugden	Kevin Loesch	Lauren Doyle
Brian Phillips	John Cesare	Pedro Angel Quiles
Trish Pelech	Dorothy Litowinsky	Michelle Masarik
Bill Donahue	Joseph Trotta	Dominick Guglielmi

Finance Council:

Chair, Dennis Buchanan	Fred Curry
Claire Deicke	Mike Lemaire
Tom Mullooly	Geri Ann Swenarton
Matt Durkin	Steve Mellinger

Our Parish Trustees: Claire Deicke and Tom Mullooly

Pastor Msgr. Edward Arnister
Parochial Vicar Fr. Christopher Dayton
Weekend Assistant Msgr. Cajetan Salemi
Principal SRGS Gregory Guito
Principal SRHS John Toner
Deacon Rob Folinus
Deacon Eugene Malhame
Deacon Richard Weber
Director of Music Elizabeth Hartnett
Pastoral Associate for Catechesis Sr. Donna D'Alia, RSM
Business Manager Stephanie Engelstad
Secretary Joann Fossani
Secretary Carol DeBartolo
Secretary Mary Beth Ribble
Maintenance Charlie Kapighian

**Special Thanks to Bill Pasko for his dedication to
St. Rose Parish.**