



THE GOOD STEWARD

St. Jane Frances de Chantal Parish Stewardship Council Newsletter

Celebrating the Gifts of Time, Talent and Treasure

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LETTER FROM OUR PASTOR

Dear Parishioners of St. Jane de Chantal Church,

Each year, every pastor in the Archdiocese must provide a financial and statistical summary for the fiscal year that ended on June 30. If you have any questions about the information provided, please contact Anne Strand, the Chair of our Finance Council, or George Cruz, our accountant. As I thank Anne and George for their hard work in preparing this report, I also thank those of you who have consistently supported our mission of worship, education and outreach through your gifts of time, talent and treasure.

In these days of economic uncertainty, it is interesting to note that our parish and school provide employment for 45 full-time persons and 22 part-time persons. The combined salary and benefit costs are \$2,927,036. Our Archdiocese mandates a generous benefit package for all full-time employees that includes health insurance, pension, life insurance, disability and long-term care insurance, and, of course, our share of FICA. Our parish is blessed by having a very dedicated staff.

I am always gratified by your generosity to the needy. The report reflects Social concerns expenditures of \$46,191 (including \$23,000 to our twin parish, the Shrine of the Sacred Heart), \$72,371 to Archdiocesan mandated second collections, and \$18,065 to our parish St. Vincent de Paul Society.

All that being said, I must also note that for the first time in many years, we did not close the year in the black on the parish side (the school had a small excess of revenue over expenses). While many are very generous, about 1/3 of our registered parishioners make no discernable gift to the parish. May I ask each of you to reflect if you are giving back to God in proportion to His generosity to you? If each parishioner does a little more, we can continue our mission without any more cuts to staff or service.

As we begin this new fiscal year, be sure of my prayers for you.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Rev. Msgr. Donald Essex, Pastor



You can now contribute to
St. Jane Frances de Chantal Catholic School
through the Combined Federal Campaign.
Please consider pledging a donation to our school
during the campaign season (September 1 to December 15).

ST. JANE DE CHANTAL PARISH Fiscal year ended June 30

	2008 prior year	2009 current year	2010 Budget
Church Income			
Offertory collections	\$1,274,222	\$1,247,233	\$1,250,000
Donations and bequests	\$61,438	\$101,147	\$33,000
Forward in Faith	\$35,388	\$23,221	\$7,500
Investment Income & Change in Market Value	\$25,654	(\$26,833)	\$17,000
St. Louis Church donation	\$12,910	\$12,300	\$12,000
Religious education	\$34,084	\$32,863	\$30,200
Other income—Christmas, Easter, etc.	\$348,983	\$328,129	\$312,000
Total Church Income	\$1,792,679	\$1,718,060	\$1,661,700
Church Expenses			
Salaries and benefits	\$777,696	\$854,788	\$902,970
Parish Life and Worship	\$81,018	\$105,489	\$73,770
Rectory and parish clergy	\$19,548	\$16,577	\$19,600
Religious education	\$33,977	\$21,764	\$26,800
Social concerns	\$68,531	\$46,191	\$46,000
Administration and other	\$87,106	\$91,090	\$74,350
Facilities and maintenance	\$256,014	\$275,811	\$268,400
Archdiocese assessments	\$194,243	\$189,624	\$189,700
Total Church Expenses	\$1,518,133	\$1,601,334	\$1,601,590
Net income	\$274,546	\$116,726	\$60,110
Other uses of funds—Capital improvements	\$186,938	\$117,939	\$70,000
Net income (loss)—Church	\$87,608	(\$1,213)	(\$9,890)
National Collections			
Amounts collected and remitted-Arch. Natl. Collections	\$76,877	\$72,371	

This new Archdiocesan format for our financial report provides 2008 and 2009 fiscal years information along with our budget for the new 2010 fiscal year.

Parish Income: The Offertory collections were down \$27,000 (2%) over the prior year. Because many of our pledges to *Forward in Faith* are completed, this income continues to decrease. Our net market changes in our investments (Pipe organ fund, asset replacement/maintenance fund, etc.) were down by \$26,833 (same market changes as many of you have seen in your investments). The French Mass conducted on Saturday evenings by St. Louis Church provides us a contribution each year. 'Other income' includes Christmas, Easter,

Maintenance Fund, holy days, poor box, Mass stipends and other income activities.

Parish Expenses: Salaries and benefits for all (non-school) parish functions are included. This encompasses full and part-time individuals associated with music ministry, Religious Education, facility operations, office staff and our clergy. All other expenses are associated with the appropriate category. Utilities are reflected in the 'Facilities and maintenance' category. Capital improvements in the last twelve months include paying for new carpet in the church, new parish signs, new Stations of the Cross, asphalt work, etc..

	2008	2009
Assets		
Cash and investments available for operations at market value	\$1,069,770	\$1,236,306
Restricted assets	\$2,102,176	\$1,996,682
Fixed assets and other assets	\$15,774,039	\$15,675,031
Total Assets	\$18,945,985	\$18,908,019
Liabilities		
Accounts payable	\$88,251	\$175,404
Restricted liability	\$2,102,176	\$1,996,682
Other liabilities	\$495,266	\$462,563
Fund balance	\$16,260,292	\$16,273,370
Total Liabilities & Fund Balance	\$18,945,985	\$18,908,019

Balance Sheet: Restricted assets are funds which have a restricted purpose (ex. Pipe Organ Fund, Msgr. Christopher Fund, School Endowment Fund, etc.). This value is equal to the 'Restricted liabilities'. Assets available for operations include bank accounts, short term CD's consisting of collections, pre-

paid school fees and some tuition payments. These assets cover payroll checks, benefits and tax withholding remittances along with paying our bills. "Fixed assets" reflect the accumulated cost of all our land, buildings and improvements.

ST. JANE DE CHANTAL PARISH Fiscal year ended June 30

School Income	2008 prior year	2009 current year	2010 Budget
School tuition	\$2,198,394	\$2,337,320	\$2,389,685
Home & School Association support	\$25,000	\$164,282	\$25,000
Msgr. Christopher Fund	\$20,011	\$17,625	\$20,000
Donations	\$9,032	\$13,733	
Other income—fees,etc.	\$511,259	\$482,813	\$463,050
Total school income	\$2,763,696	\$3,015,773	\$2,897,735
School Expenses			
Salaries and benefits	\$1,901,954	\$2,072,248	\$2,190,502
Instruction	\$260,468	\$266,474	\$240,820
Facilities and maintenance	\$318,838	\$338,225	\$307,300
Administration	\$73,759	\$95,204	\$80,870
Before/after care	\$1,563	\$1,935	\$1,000
Total school expenses	\$2,556,582	\$2,774,086	\$2,820,492
Net income (loss)	\$207,114	\$241,687	\$77,243
Other uses of funds—Capital improvements	\$195,792	\$227,397	\$77,000
Net income (loss)—school	\$11,322	\$14,290	\$243

School Income: Tuition is the primary source of school income (78%). The 'Home and School Association support' (2009) was used for the school office renovation and the new flooring in Christopher Hall. 'Other income' includes fees, Before/After care, field trips, etc.

School Expenses: Salaries and benefits for all school personnel represent 75% of the expenses. 'Facilities and maintenance' includes the utilities. 'Capital improvements' include committing to additional school Smartboards, two copiers and a small back-up generator for key operational equipment.

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS — BANK BALANCE

	July 1, 2008	Additions	Deductions	Clos. Bal. 6/30/09
Sodality	\$39,966.21	\$34,835.61	\$48,251.12	\$26,550.70
Home & School Association	\$182,433.32	\$228,966.56	\$352,332.94	\$59,066.94
CYO	\$39,497.86	\$106,711.00	\$125,512.70	\$20,696.16
St. Vincent de Paul	\$1,361.61	\$18,065.17	\$13,502.75	\$5,924.03
Ladies of Charity	\$574.80	\$255.00	\$250.00	\$579.80
Adult Choir	\$553.06	.00	\$100.00	\$453.06

Parish census data	2008	2009
Registered parishioners/families	5099/1947	5170/1968
Sacraments celebrated		
Baptism	64	90
First Communion	97	102
Confirmation	83	62
Matrimony	12	18
Anointings of the Sick	624	330