



State of the ACC Agenda

Padua Pub Hall

May 8, 2024

- Diocesan information
- Transitioning of the 4 P's (Why)
- Mass schedule location and mass attendance
- Finances
- Flow charts
- Faith formation
- Holy Family School
- Clarity questions/Culture

STATE OF THE ACC — 2024



Dear Parishioners,

You are the Body of Christ, the Church, the Flock He Shepherds! Our ACC is made up of individuals who worship God at Eucharist together! It is so much more than buildings — i.e. six churches in five different towns. We are Catholics who, in a secular culture growing hostile to Christians, exist to know and follow Jesus Christ the Good Shepherd, and lead others to do the same. Now is the time for us to Pray Boldly and Work Together.

In March 2019, Bishop Kettler made the decision to create Area Catholic Communities throughout our whole diocese. He recognized the Diocese of St. Cloud was changing, shifting, and declining in numbers. He set in motion a plan to address the smaller numbers of priests trying to serve the 131 parishes. Consequently, Parishes on the Prairie was born.

Fast forward to July of 2023, we went from three priests assigned to our ACC to two priests. In some ways, we have been licking our wounds and trying to be church. It has been

taking some time to adjust to a new normal. That said, the new normal is showing some signs of hope for the future. We are growing in strength and resolve to move forward.

There are stories to be told, people to meet, statistics to hear, and perspective to be gained. Curious? Come get the facts with a look to the future of our Area Catholic Community. We are coming together for a STATE OF THE ACC gathering on Wednesday, May 8, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at Padua Pub Hall.

In our Father's hands,

Fr. Greg Paffel
Pastor

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State of the ACC 2024.

WED. MAY 8

7:00 - 8:30 PM

PADUA PUB HALL

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The Priorities of Bishop Neary as presented at the ACC Pastoral Visits

1. The well being, support, and enrichment of our pastoral team/curia
 - a) the body of congregations, tribunals, and offices through which the pope/bishop/priests govern
 - b) Lay people and their roles in the church
 - c) Building leadership capacity, listening to the needs, providing resources
2. Care for the priests of the diocese
 - a) 57 active priests - 10 are religious
 - b) 37 retired priests
 - c) 131 parishes - Ranked 4th in number of priests per building
 - d) Fridays are a day to visit the priests of the diocese
 - e) Address concerns of burnout/anxiety/workload/connection with the people of the ACCs
3. Seeing synodality as model for the Church and for the Diocese of St. Cloud
 - a) "A Way of Being"
 - b) We must encounter the Lord, listen to the people's concerns and questions, and discern how we must change to live life more abundantly.
4. The Eucharistic Revival in the Diocese of Saint Cloud
 - a) Improve the quality of the liturgies and catechesis
 - b) Eucharistic Congress procession through our Diocese in May
 - c) How do we bring people together to listen to each other's experience of the Eucharist
5. The Latino Presence in the Diocese of Saint Cloud
 - a) Many feel they are not "seen" in our diocese.... They feel they are second class and an afterthought
 - b) Do they (along with all people) feel at home in the parish?
 - c) Do people have a sense of belonging or important to the Church?
6. Strategic Planning-the next phase for our ACCs
 - a) ACCs represent a first step in transitioning from a traditional one parish, one priest model
 - b) Must move to a model that is seen not as the church being a building, but to see that the Church is you and I: The Body of Christ!
 - c) The diocese is utilizing an outside company to look at how the future should look. Nothing has been decided.
 - d) The future direction will need input and counsel to make informed plans.

10 MONTH COMPARISON

Church	Total Collection				Mass Count				
	10 Masses		7 Masses		10 Masses		7 Masses		% Change
	Jul 2022-Apr 2023	Jul 2023-Apr 2024	Change	% Change	Jul 2022-Apr 2023	Jul 2023-Apr 2024	Change		
St. Paul's	\$ 662,933.38	\$ 714,194.08	\$ 51,260.70	7.73%	36081	30195	-5886	-16.31%	
Our Lady of the Angels	\$ 366,654.48	\$ 355,054.32	\$ (11,600.16)	-3.16%	15497	19691	4194	27.06%	
St. Alexius	\$ 114,294.61	\$ 118,349.69	\$ 4,055.08	3.55%	8630	8612	-18	-0.21%	
Sts. Peter and Paul	\$ 150,439.92	\$ 105,914.48	\$ (44,525.44)	-29.60%	5282	6237	955	18.08%	
St. Francis De Sales	\$ 102,040.44	\$ 115,030.59	\$ 12,990.15	12.73%	4346	6097	1751	40.29%	
St. Donatus	\$ 81,000.67	\$ 60,174.23	\$ (20,826.44)	-25.71%	3914	674	-3240	-82.78%	
	\$ 1,477,363.50	\$ 1,468,717.39	\$ (8,646.11)	-0.59%	73750	71506	-2244	-3.04%	

- Thank you to all who have been committed to attending mass in our ACC and faithfully tithing.
- Our celebrations of the Eucharist have more full and active participation than a year ago.
- Offertory giving to the Lord and His Church has been remarkably stable throughout the transition happening in our ACC.

THANK YOU!

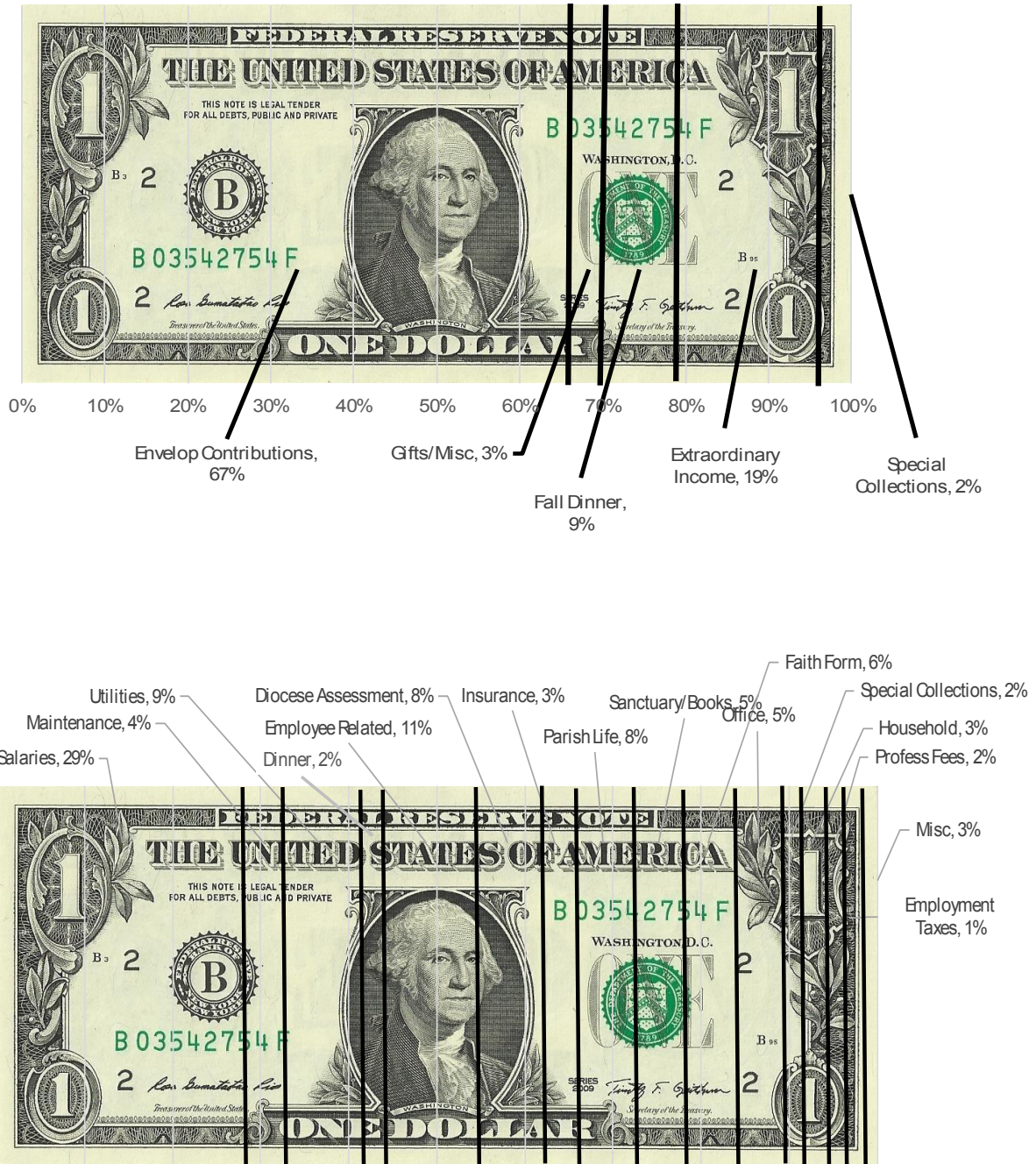
Information is from July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023							
Income Sources	St. Donatus	St. Alexius	St. Francis	Sts Peter/Pauls	Our Lady Angels	St. Pauls	Totals
Envelop Contributions	\$ 81,950.00	\$ 133,135.00	\$ 98,369.00	\$ 141,808.00	\$ 420,424.00	\$ 817,871.00	\$ 1,611,607.00
Gifts/Misc	\$ 4,277.00	\$ 4,521.00	\$ 65,926.00	\$ 35,237.00	\$ 142,758.00	\$ 500,836.00	\$ 749,278.00
Festival/Dinners	\$ 10,960.00	\$ 49,253.00	\$ 33,121.00	\$ 17,163.00	\$ 22,569.00	\$ -	\$ 122,106.00
Extraordinary Income	\$ 23,444.00	\$ 10,734.00	\$ 31,553.00	\$ 74,972.00	\$ 73,585.00	\$ 19,821.00	\$ 210,665.00
Special Collections	\$ 2,505.00	\$ 3,881.00	\$ 5,757.00	\$ 3,062.00	\$ 24,419.00	\$ 38,527.00	\$ 75,646.00
Total Income	\$ 123,136.00	\$ 201,524.00	\$ 234,726.00	\$ 272,242.00	\$ 683,755.00	\$ 1,377,055.00	\$ 2,892,438.00

Expenses							
Salaries	\$ 33,048.00	\$ 54,521.00	\$ 42,763.00	\$ 46,947.00	\$ 115,198.00	\$ 220,967.00	\$ 480,396.00
Maintenance	\$ 4,140.00	\$ 11,703.00	\$ 22,731.00	\$ 15,408.00	\$ 22,008.00	\$ 22,978.00	\$ 94,828.00
Utilities	\$ 10,580.00	\$ 23,173.00	\$ 17,788.00	\$ 26,724.00	\$ 16,304.00	\$ 29,806.00	\$ 113,795.00
Supper/Dinner Exp	\$ 2,611.00		\$ 13,224.00	\$ 3,084.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 16,308.00
Employee Related	\$ 12,390.00	\$ 19,817.00	\$ 12,997.00	\$ 11,753.00	\$ 42,555.00	\$ 32,133.00	\$ 119,255.00
Diocese Assessment	\$ 8,812.00	\$ 9,672.00	\$ 11,636.00	\$ 14,372.00	\$ 27,564.00	\$ 50,644.00	\$ 113,888.00
Insurance	\$ 3,641.00	\$ 7,235.00	\$ 9,871.00	\$ 18,979.00	\$ 17,122.00	\$ 39,805.00	\$ 93,012.00
Parish Life	\$ 8,855.00	\$ 6,827.00	\$ 8,469.00	\$ 10,094.00	\$ 4,006.00	\$ 3,435.00	\$ 32,831.00
Sanctuary/Books	\$ 5,765.00	\$ 7,963.00	\$ 7,488.00	\$ 8,565.00	\$ 15,824.00	\$ 28,775.00	\$ 68,615.00
Faith Form/School	\$ 7,273.00	\$ 30,203.00	\$ 7,273.00	\$ 15,873.00	\$ 164,230.00	\$ 321,765.00	\$ 539,344.00
Office	\$ 5,832.00	\$ 2,269.00	\$ 5,950.00	\$ 5,751.00	\$ 13,897.00	\$ 11,661.00	\$ 39,528.00
Special Collections	\$ 2,505.00	\$ 3,881.00	\$ 5,757.00	\$ 3,062.00	\$ 24,419.00	\$ 38,527.00	\$ 75,646.00
Household	\$ 3,332.00	\$ 4,072.00	\$ 3,332.00	\$ 3,332.00	\$ 31,138.00	\$ 10,281.00	\$ 52,155.00
Profess Fees	\$ 2,826.00	\$ 7,951.00	\$ 3,031.00	\$ 4,035.00	\$ 16,798.00	\$ 32,971.00	\$ 64,786.00
Employment Taxes	\$ 1,063.00	\$ 2,804.00	\$ 2,040.00	\$ 2,847.00	\$ 9,541.00	\$ 12,004.00	\$ 29,236.00
Misc	\$ 3,058.00	\$ 4,137.00	\$ 1,180.00	\$ 47,351.00	\$ 14,073.00	\$ 7,273.00	\$ 74,014.00
Total Expenses	\$ 115,731.00	\$ 196,228.00	\$ 175,530.00	\$ 238,177.00	\$ 534,677.00	\$ 863,025.00	\$ 2,123,368.00

St. Donatus

Income and Expenses

July 1, 2022- June 30, 2023



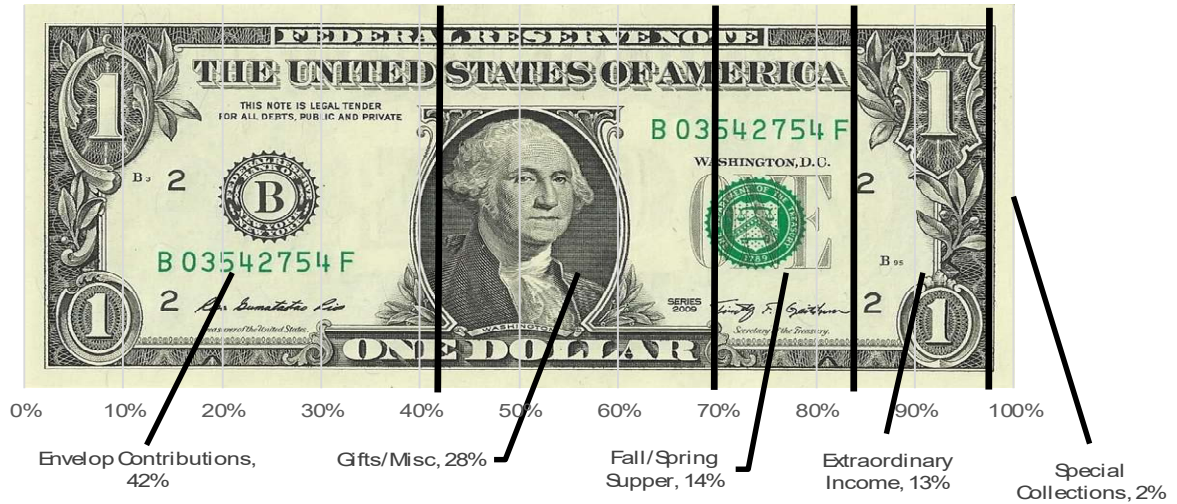
St. Alexis

Income and Expenses

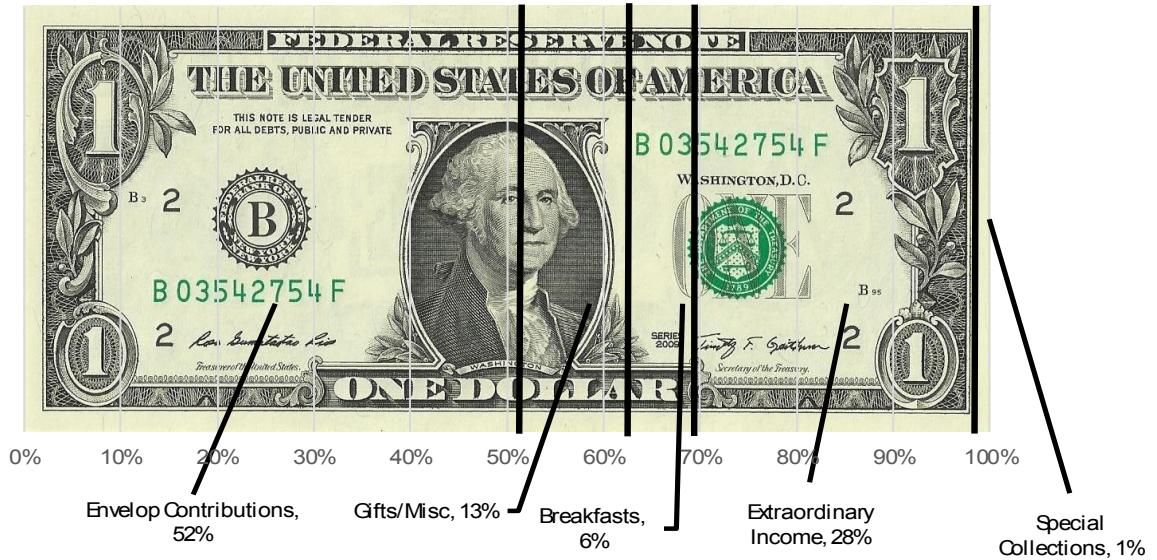
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St. Francis de Sales Income and Expenses July 1, 2022- June 30, 2023



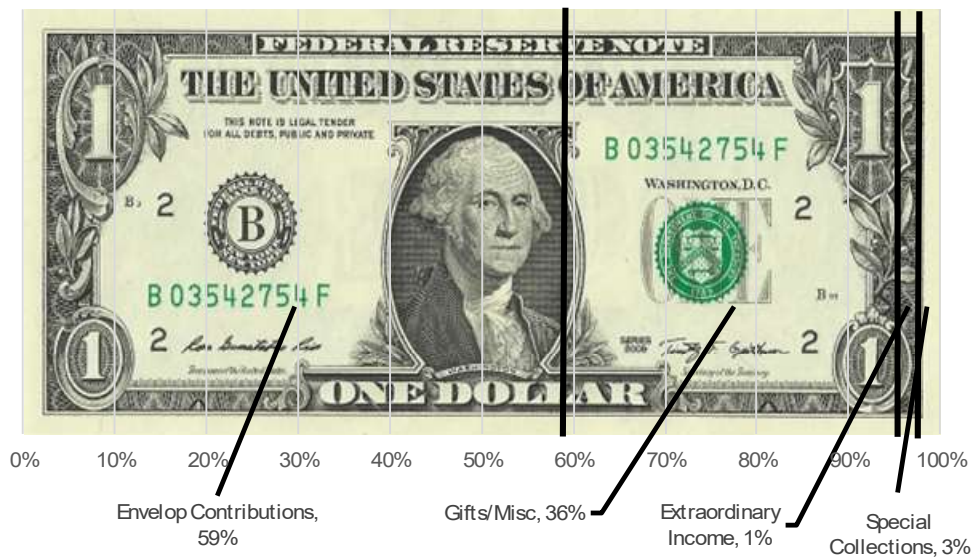
Sts. Peter & Paul's Income and Expenses July 1, 2022- June 30, 2023



Our Lady of Angels Income and Expenses July 1, 2022- June 30, 2023



St. Paul's Income and Expenses July 1, 2022- June 30, 2023



Leadership Organization Chart 2024

Above the Weeds

Big picture view of parish life. For high level volunteer parish leaders.

Pastoral Council
 *Fr. Greg Paffel
 Fr. Mark Botzet
 (SD) Mary Radermacher
 (SA) Deb Frie
 (SF) Mike Mastey
 (PP) Danny Borgerding
 (OL) Janet Zenzen
 (SP) Darron Nelson
 Meghan Middendorf

Trustees
 *Adam Saltmarsh
 (SD) Tony Rooney / Greg Radermacher
 (SA) Mark Klaphake / Tom Miller
 (SF) Paul Rooney / Paul Gregory
 (PP) Randy Hellerman / Jackie Weller
 (OL) Joyce Frericks / Audrey Roering
 (SP) Jamie Hooper / Loren Beste

Leadership Team
 *Fr. Greg Paffel
 Fr. Mark Botzet
 Dcn Kelly Marthaler
 Adam Saltmarsh
 Kathy Knoblach
 New Hire

Pastoral Team
 *New Hire
 Volunteer Ministry Leaders

Holy Family School
 *Lisa Otte
 Staff
 Teachers
 Volunteers
 School Board

 HFS is its own corporation under the Bishop and is part of our ACC.

Office Team
 Adam Saltmarsh
 *Rachel Bosl
 Janae Nemmers
 Karen Von Wahlde
 Whitney Rutten
 TBD

Stewardship Team
 *Dcn. Kelly Marthaler
 Cindy Karasch
 Volunteer Members

Formation Team
 *Kathy Knoblach
 Christina Rousslang
 Colleen Borgerding
 Sheila Jaeger
 Amy Trisko
 Shari Saltmarsh
 Sue Rick
 Emma Meyer
 Blanca Barragan

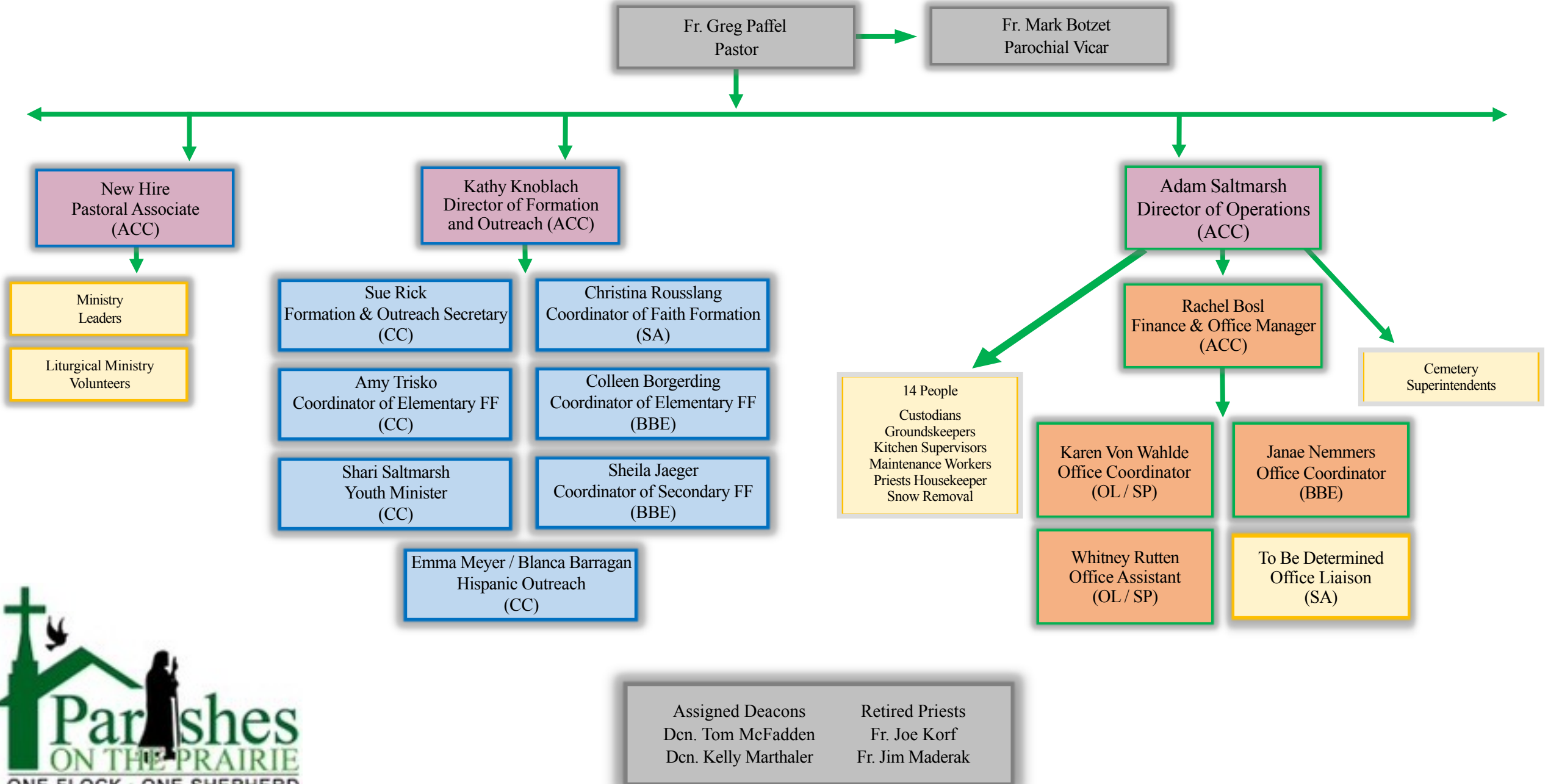
In the Weeds

Team picture view of parish life. For employees and team volunteers.

*Team Supervisor



Staff Organization Chart 2024





ACC FAITH FORMATION

Our ACC has three separate Faith Formation programs that provide families with a variety of options to choose from within our ACC. Our Faith Formation Team meets monthly and collaborates on a variety of things, such as: Confirmation retreat, sacraments, Diocesan events, speakers, shared liturgical events and the Steubenville Conference. We also have an outreach ministry for the Hispanic community.

West Union

50 students enrolled in classes
13 students received sacraments
5-35 youth involved in Youth Group
62 volunteers helped during the year
30 adults did some ongoing formation

Belgrade-Brooten-Elrosa

148 students enrolled in classes
20 students received sacraments
20 youth involved in youth events
41 volunteers helped during the year
46 adults did some ongoing formation

Sauk Centre

256 students enrolled in classes
72 students received sacraments
40- 80 youth involved in Youth Group
125 volunteers helped during the year
173 adults did some ongoing formation

Hispanic Outreach

21 students enrolled in classes
18 students received sacraments
24 adults did some ongoing formation
Planning to start ESL to adults this June.
Summer programs in Brooten & Sauk



Upcoming Events



- Mother's Day - Crowning Of Mary
- Senior Mass (May 19)
- Vacation Bible School (SA = May 27-30, CFC = June 3-6)
- Steubenville Trip - We have a FULL bus! (June 19-24)
- Totus Tuus (BBE July 21-26, CFC = July 28-Aug. 2)

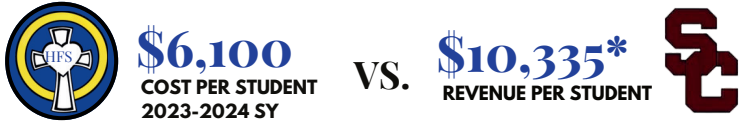
SAVE THE DATE: Wed., Nov. 13- Speaker Deb Hadley, Shelby Auditorium at 7 pm. Everyone invited. Deb is an inspirational speaker, Christian author & mom who shares her story, praises His name and helps others find hope in the Lord.

HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL

Financial Snapshot

Data reflected is based on the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023

COST TO EDUCATE



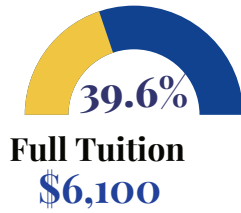
As a whole, HFS operates on **64.9%** of the districts per pupil revenue.

*State funds received by SCPS for every student in the public school. This does not include additional levy funds.

TUITION

Collected tuition covers just 39.64% of the total cost to educate each student in our building.

Minimum Tuition
\$2,500



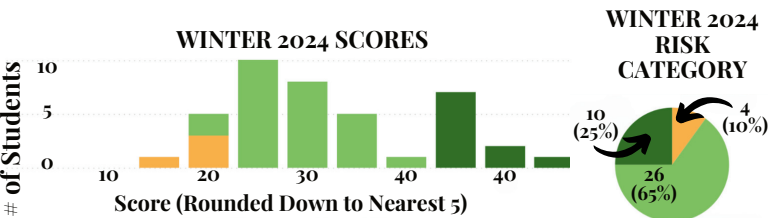
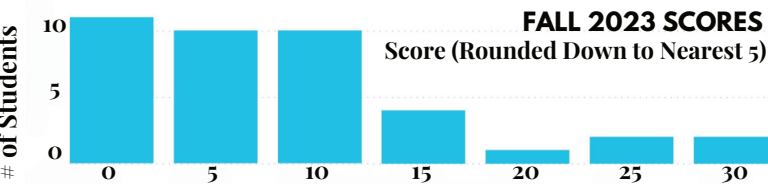
STUDENT MEALS

HFS began participating in the MN Free School Meals Program during the 2023-2024 school year. This program provides breakfast & lunch to students at no cost. If we did not participate in this program, student lunches (if eating every school day) would cost \$485 per student and breakfast would not be offered.



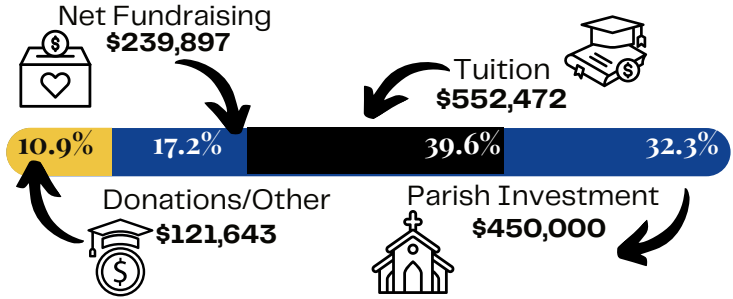
LETTER WORD SOUND FLUENCY KINDERGARTEN OVERVIEW

aimsweb Plus recommends using Letter Naming Fluency to Analyzing students' scores in Letter Word Sounds Fluency (rather than their risk category) provides a better indication of how many students already have the ability to make letter sounds, make the sounds of two letter combinations, and read aloud consonant-vowel-consonant (CVC) words.



Moderate At Grade Level Above Grade Level

AVERAGE REVENUE



NET FUNDRAISING

Annual fundraisers include: Raise Right (Scrip), Workathon, Calendar Raffle, Springfest, and Fall Dinner (Formerly August Dinner)

HFS ENDOWMENT

This is included in our donation budget line each year.

\$25,000 AVERAGE YEARLY GIFT

PARISH SUBSIDY

St. Paul's Parish & Our Lady of the Angels investment provides \$1,800 of support based on each student enrolled for the year.

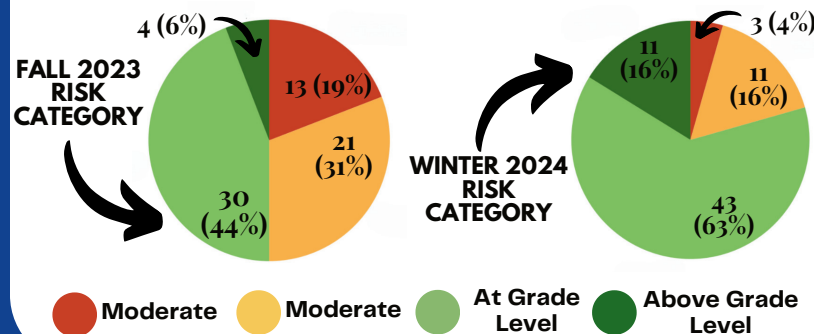
CURRICULUM

2023 - 2024 Fall to Winter Test Scores Success is in the Data!

The data in the graphs below show 2023 - 2024 fall-to-winter growth for our Believe and Read curriculum for Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd grade students. Kindergarten data is slightly different because the students don't have baseline data when they start school. However, you can see that we did not have any students in the red (high-risk area) in the winter. Instead, 10% of students were at moderate risk, 65% were at grade level, and 10% were performing above grade level. We will see more growth and comparison scores in the spring testing. However, this Winter data is great for Kindergarten because no students are in the red, high-risk area. We look forward to seeing continued growth in the Spring!!



ORAL READING FLUENCY 1ST-2ND GRADE OVERVIEW



Moderate Moderate At Grade Level Above Grade Level

Eucharistic RevivalThursday, May 23, 2024

The Marian Route will be traveling through Sauk Centre, arriving at Our Lady of the Angels around 12:30 p.m. We will begin with a Rosary prayed at Our Lady of the Angels at 1 p.m. followed by a Eucharistic Procession to St. Paul's Church. Praise and Worship Music will begin around 2:15 p.m. with the Divine Mercy Chaplet prayed at 3:00 p.m. (Pilgrims will depart by 3:30 p.m.) If you can join some or all of this amazing event please do so! (Note: This is part of the National Eucharistic Procession that ends in Indianapolis, July 16, 2024.)

Retirement Party for Cindy SundermanSunday, May 26, 2024 (In Church Basements)

Time: 9:00-10:30 a.m. Our Lady of the Angels; Time: 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. St. Paul's Church

Priest OrdinationSaturday, June 1, 2024

Deacon Kevin Soenneker will be ordained a Priest at St. Mary's Cathedral in St. Cloud. Sunday, June 2, he will have his 1st Mass at 3 p.m. at St. Paul's Church. This Mass fulfills your Sunday obligation. A simple reception will follow in the Church basement.

Deacon OrdinationSaturday, June 8, 2024

Kelly Marthaler will be ordained a Permanent Deacon at St. Mary's Cathedral in St. Cloud.

Sunday, June 9, 2024

Kelly will be the Deacon of the Mass at 8:15 a.m. at St. Alexius Church.

A brunch will be served in the Church basement.

50th Anniversary to the Priesthood CelebrationSunday, June 9, 2024

Fr. Joe Korf will celebrate his 50th Anniversary to the Priesthood.

Mass Time: 10:30 a.m. Sts. Peter & Paul Church, Elrosa. A dinner will follow the Mass.

ACC, Parishes on the Prairie Outdoor Mass and *Free* Parish Wide EventSunday, June 30, 2024

Mass Time: 10:30 a.m. Location: Sts. Peter & Paul Church grounds in Elrosa.

(No other morning Masses that day.) We have a fun day planned! Bring your lawn chair and blanket.

Picnic Lunch available from 12:00 Noon-5 pm.

Menu: Pulled Pork Sandwiches, Hot Dogs, Beans and Chips; Beer and Rootbeer (free will offering)

12:30 p.m.-5 p.m. Music "Live Wire"

1-4:00 p.m. Climbing Wall; 1-5:00 p.m. Petty Zoo, Games, Face Painting & Bounce House

2-3:30 p.m. Bingo in the St. Peter/Paul Church Basement (20 Games)

2-5 p.m. Axe Throwing