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**Dear Parishioners,**

I am happy to present you with this year's Parish Annual Report titled "*thanks*GIVING for God's Blessings." I am so thankful for the blessings that the Lord has bestowed upon this faith community, and you will see many of those blessings in this publication.

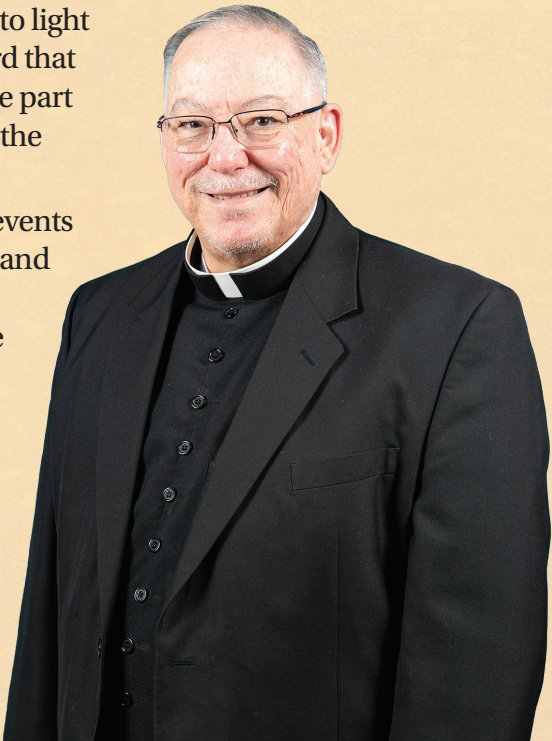
With gratitude to our volunteers, be sure to take a look at the many ways our parishioners are dedicating their time and talents to strengthening our faith community. This report also includes a complete ministry listing that I pray will prompt you to get involved. Many others are feeling the call to service! In fact, we had many new volunteers for our Trash 'n' Treasure Sale this year, and the event raised more than \$38,000! This has helped us meet our budget deficit. Even though our annual report shows that we operated with a loss of a little over \$20,000, that number is even greater. We had to withdraw a substantial amount of money from our savings in order to pay all of our expenses.

With gratitude to our parish staff, take notice of the work they have been doing to light a fire for Christ in the hearts and minds of our parishioners. You may have heard that a National Eucharistic Revival is underway, which means our staff members are part of a grassroots effort to share the gift of the Eucharist. They are helping to build the foundation for the future of our Church!

With gratitude to each of you who attends Mass, offers prayers, participates in events and donates to the parish, take a look at the many ways you impact the culture and vitality of our parish. This year we replaced another set of windows, which has been an ongoing project. We were also able to complete the replacement of the social hall floor due to the generosity of a dear parishioner's bequest.

Living a life rooted in gratitude requires us to express our thanks. And so I ask you, with prayerful consideration to your current situation, to make a year-end gift to our parish to show your gratitude for the good work being done here. Or if you are able, perhaps you will increase your weekly or monthly offertory as a show of thanks for the blessings God has bestowed upon you.

*Yours in Christ,*  
**Father Lawrence**



*thanks*  
**GIVING**  
For God's Blessings



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**Saint Paul Parish  
Annual Report 2023**





# Become an Intentional Disciple

Enter into a deeper relationship with Christ and your brothers and sisters of the parish by attending one of these upcoming events:

- **Bible Scripture Study**
- **October 28 – Trunk or Treat after Mass**
- **November 8-11 – Rosary Altar Society Christmas Sale**
- **December 16 – Breakfast with Saint Nicholas, 9:30 AM, Christ Our Shepherd Center, Greensburg**
- **December 16 – Christmas Night Market 2023, 3-8 PM, Christ Our Shepherd Center, Greensburg**



## Parish Financials

	2022-23	2021-22	2020-21
<b>Offertory</b>	\$ 479,452	\$ 471,027	\$ 460,074
<b>Other Ordinary Income</b> <i>(monthly collections, votive candles)</i>	6,931	7,540	8,464
<b>Extraordinary Income</b> <i>(bequests, donations, fundraising, interest, rental income)</i>	175,724	110,983	49,999
<b>Diocesan Lenten Appeal Refund</b>	31,417	33,831	29,507
<b>Other Non-Assessable Income</b> <i>(The Catholic Accent, sale of property, insurance reimbursements and PPP Loan)</i>	56,502	103,649	108,556
<b>Special Collections</b>	34,952	41,220	39,183
<b>Total Income</b>	\$ 784,978	\$ 768,250	\$ 695,783
<b>Expenses</b>			
Administration	\$ 180,679	\$ 171,844	\$ 166,769
Church	66,717	81,278	47,768
Rectory	13,773	18,977	17,327
Education and Ministry	126,696	114,547	108,913
General Expenses	278,610	284,920	255,000
Special Collections	34,396	41,355	38,364
Extraordinary Expenses	104,175	75,117	63,855
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>805,046</b>	<b>788,038</b>	<b>697,996</b>
<b>Net Operating Income (Loss)</b>	<b>\$ (20,068)</b>	<b>\$ (19,788)</b>	<b>\$ (2,213)</b>

# Our Parish by the Numbers:



## Registered Households

2023: 1,272  
2022: 1,274  
2021: 1,281

## Current Single Member Households

415



## Baptisms

2023: 8  
2022: 11  
2021: 13

## Weddings

2023: 3  
2022: 4  
2021: 1



## Funerals

2023: 29  
2022: 36  
2021: 42

# New to Our Parish

This year we were blessed with the arrival of Father Peter Augustine Pierjok, OSB, as Sacramentalist. He celebrates Masses, provides sacraments, presides at funeral Masses and helps with many other spiritual needs. Before making perpetual vows with the Benedictine Community of Saint Augustine in Peoria, Ill., he had a long career in sales and marketing. He served in many capacities in Illinois before pursuing a monastic vocation at Saint Vincent Archabbey, Latrobe. We are grateful that we have his presence, wisdom and kindness here at Saint Paul and Saint Bruno Parishes.

Michelle Zulisky has joined our staff as an Office Assistant and will help us in our transition of the merger of the offices of Saint Paul and Saint Bruno Parishes. Michelle has an extensive work history, including babysitter to over 50 children, dance

instructor, office manager at a local tax firm, direct sales work, school organization offices and owner/tax preparer of MY Tax Prep. She has also been very active within Saint Bruno Parish – catechist for many years, as well as a Rosary Altar Society member.

Longtime parishioner Emily Concannon has stepped up to become the Assistant Music Coordinator, which includes leading our Emmaus II choir and taking charge of the music when our children are involved in special liturgies. She also does an amazing job directing our Good Shepherd Program for our young children.

Not new to our parish ... but we are very proud to acknowledge that Matteo Arcara, son of Daniele and Angela Arcara, will be starting his studies at Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary in Wynnwood, Pa. He and his family are a gift to our parish!



## Giving With Gratitude

We are excited to showcase our new Giving QR Code. Please scan it to make a year-end gift or to increase your offertory.



**BY MAIL:**  
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**IN PERSON:**  
Monday – Thursday – 8:30 AM – 4:00 PM  
Friday – 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM



**ONLINE:**  
[pbcatholic.org](http://pbcatholic.org)

# Our Ministries:

- Greeters
- Ushers
- Lectors
- Altar Servers
- Music Ministry
- Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist
- Money Counters
- Sacristans
- Environmentalists
- Rosary Altar Society
- Religious Formation Leaders
- Youth Ministry Leaders
- Ministry of Care
- Apostolate to the Sick
- Prayer Chain
- Servants of the Holy Wounds
- Servants of Divine Mercy
- Sisters in Faith
- Knights of Columbus
- St. Vincent de Paul Society
- Ablaze Young Adult Ministry (in progress)
- Magnificat
- Level 1 Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
- Saint Paul/Saint Bruno Youth Ministry (in progress)
- Bible Study
- Our Lady’s Rosary Makers
- Zoom Family Rosary
- Scouting
- Men’s Discussion Group
- Emmaus II (young adult choir)
- Children’s Choir

*We really do need volunteers to support our parish, specifically servers, lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, ushers, greeters and catechists. Please call the parish office today at 724-834-6880 so we can walk you through the process of becoming a volunteer.*