

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

How blessed are we to be able to walk this earthly pilgrimage with each other as members of Blessed Sacrament Church here in Eastwood! No matter what may be happening around us, **the parish is our safe haven**. It is the place where we can come together, gathered around the Eucharistic table, to worship and serve our Lord.

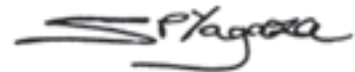
It is also the place where we serve one another. **Here, united in God's love, we are a visible sign of the body of Christ and together we can accomplish amazing things**. Nourished by prayer and the sacraments, members of our parish community are on the path of discipleship and growing in relationship with Jesus Christ each day. We value formation in the faith and sharing our faith with others through evangelization. We also know the importance of bringing the love of God to our neighbors through acts of charity and service. Through our many ministries, and our social and service-oriented outreach programs, we put into action the truth stated so eloquently by St. John the Apostles: "If God so loved us, we also must love one another." (1 Jn 4:11).

With this in mind, **I invite each one of you to respond to our parish's new stewardship program: Many Hands Building God's Kingdom**. Please review the contents of this brochure and prayerfully consider how you and your family can play an active role in continuing the work of Jesus Christ through our parish community. Our goal is to increase our Sunday offertory contributions **to bring Jesus Christ to as many people as possible**. This is no easy task in today's climate, but I am confident that our dedicated parishioners are up to the challenge.

On October 12th and 13th, our parish will be holding a special Commitment Weekend, inviting members of our faith community to come together and make a financial commitment that will allow Blessed Sacrament Parish to continue its important work. We are counting on you! By participating in **Many Hands Building God's Kingdom**, we respond to God's great gift of love by loving one another with the heart of His Son.

Thank you for your generosity, prayers, and commitment to Blessed Sacrament Parish.

In Christ,



Fr. Severine P Yagaza

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SACRAMENT
CHURCH**



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Discerning Your New Commitment

Fill out the enclosed Commitment Card
and bring it to Mass next weekend
or
scan this QR code to complete your
Commitment Card online.



Fulfilling your New Commitment



To sign up for **Online Giving** or to
update your current online gift, visit
www.bscstvsyr.org
and click on Give at BSC.



Use your **offertory envelope**
and bring it to Mass
or mail it to the parish office.



To learn more about making a
Planned Gift to Blessed Sacrament
Church, contact the parish office at
(315) 437-4462.

Many Hands Building God's Kingdom

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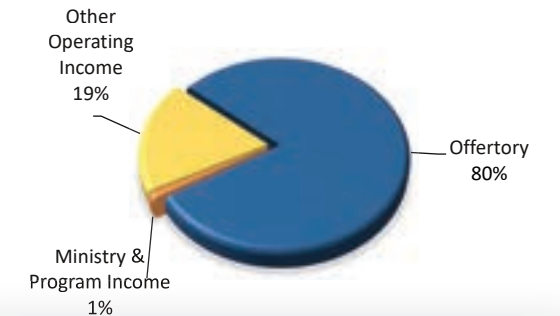


Financial Snapshot: 2023/2024 Fiscal Year

Operating Income

Offertory	\$317,440.00
Ministry & Program Income	\$3,734.00
Other Operating Income	<u>\$74,288.00</u>

Total Operating Income **\$395,462.00**



United in God's love, we are a visible sign of the body of Christ and together we do great things. Nourished by prayer and the sacraments, the members of our parish community journey on the path of discipleship and grow in relationship with Jesus Christ daily.

Everything we have is a gift from God. As we strive to love one another, good stewardship plays a key role. Stewardship consists of receiving God's gifts with gratitude and sharing them in love and justice to further the mission of our Lord.

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Families in our parish

20
Baptisms

23
First Holy Communions

17
Confirmations

23
Funerals

178
Children in our parish school

88
Children in religious education

2
RCIA candidates and catechumens

425

Masses celebrated in our church each year

60
Hours spent in eucharistic adoration

1,131
Communion visits to the homebound and hospitals

54
Parishioners serving in liturgical ministries

16
Ministers of hospitality welcomed parishioners

6
Lectors proclaiming the Word

\$21,250

Contributed to special collections

65
Volunteers maintaining our parish

10
Youth participated in mission experiences

5
Funeral lunches prepared and served

1,600
Pounds of food collected for our food pantry

Our Mission

Our Community

Our Witness

Operating Expenses

Salary & Benefits	\$268,246.00
General Operating Expense	\$42,669.00
Ministry & Program Expense	\$38,045.00
Facilities Expense	<u>\$103,983.00</u>

Total Operating Expense **\$452,943.00**

Net Operating Loss **-\$57,481.00**

