# **2021-22 ANNUAL REPORT**



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ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI IS A CHRIST-CENTERED COMMUNITY, COMMITTED TO EVANGELIZATION, SERVICE, AND FELLOWSHIP.

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A MESSAGE FROM REV. MATTHEW STANLEY -PASTOR

I am so glad that you have both the opportunity to receive and the time to review our 2021-2022 St. Francis of Assisi - Annual Report that includes our annual financial report.

In the late summer of 2021, we welcomed Fr. Athanasius Kikoba to St. Francis of Assisi as our new parochial vicar. His sense of humor was on full display at his first Mass, "just don't call me Fr. Euthanasia!"

In the summer of 2021, after months of lockdowns, quarantines, and mandates, we migrated from the tents into the chapel and gathering hall for Sunday Mass. The tents remain giving us an extra facility for out door gatherings as we enjoy the beauty of our surroundings.

Christmas, 2021 was back in all it's shining beauty. Our Simbang Gabi returned with



various priests joining in our grace-filled liturgies. Although we missed Fr. Michael's Christimas decorating spirit, Kevin and his team put up another dazzingly display!

In January of 2022, after a COVID shutdown, our preschool is once again in session. We sit high atop St. Francis of

Assisi hill in Evergreen, surrounded by grape vines, wildlife, and God's beautiful mountains. We offer small classes in the setting of a Catholic community and are dedicated to serving the Evergreen community of San Jose and beyond.

In March of 2022, yours truly celebrated his

60th birthday! In April of 2022, several parishioners and I made a spiritual pilgrimage to the shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico City. It was an amazing experience. The people, places, and hospitality



of the Mexican people was overwhelming

May 15, 2022, marked the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of the Parish of St. Francis. This commenced a Year of Jubilee, concluding on Sunday, May 28, 2023. We praise the Lord God for his blessings on this Catholic community under the patronage of St. Francis of Assisi. To Jesus Christ, who was, who is, and who is to come, Lord of time and history, be endless praise, for ever and ever.

After 25 years, we have finally paid off our 7 million-establishment debt. We celebrated by "burning the mortgage" on Saturday, June 25. It was a gathering of several generations of parishioners—some of whom have been around since day one. It was a time of giving thanks for the past—but it was also a time to look toward the future.

On August 10, 2022, we celebrated the Funeral Mass for our first pastor, Msgr. John Sandersfeld— the consummate good



shepherd. His passion for justice, equality, and diversity permeated all he did—to wherever he was missioned and to whomever he served. Fr. John

was committed to parochial ministry and developed a passion for ministering among the faithful. His expansive, global, and futuristic vision was balanced by his interest in the ordinary—punctuated by his booming laugh. He was a force to reckon with and a good priest who will be missed.

In this our 25<sup>th</sup> year of serving the Catholic community of Evergreen in San Jose, I thank you for helping us make our mission come true.

St. Francis of Assisi Parish is a Roman Catholic community of disciples working together for the glory of God and our spiritual growth in Jesus Christ. With the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we live and share the Gospel through worship, education and service.

Rev. Matthew D. Stanley, Third Pastor of St. Francis of Assisi Parish

# ST. FANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH HISTORY

In 1997, St. Francis of Assisi was canonically established by Bishop Pierre DuMaine. Our parish was formed from communities that formed from Sunday worship in communities in different locations. One of the first places of worship in the Evergreen neighborhood was and is still located at the Villages Retirement Community going back to 1972.

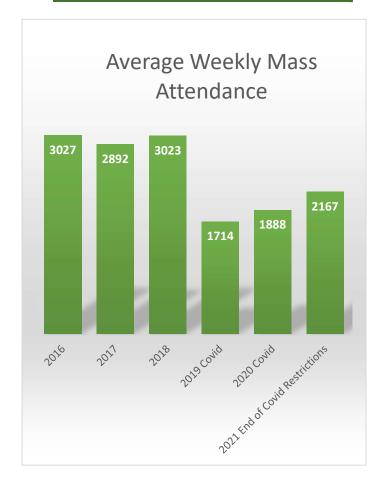
Later in 1985, Most Holy Trinity Parish started celebrating masses at the Mt. Hamilton Grange Hall. Over the past 22 years, St. Francis of Assisi parish has grown from a few families who met regularly, to nearly 3,000 registered families!

At St. Francis of Assisi, we know that "the Eucharist is the source and summit of the church's life," so we work hard to provide prayerful and joyful liturgies. Hundreds of St. Francis of Assisi parishioners volunteer every year for the benefit of both the St. Francis of Assisi's parish family as well as the larger community.

Each of us has been afforded gifts and talents by our Creator and, in our natural desire to grow ever closer to God, we offer these gifts back through the Church. Thousands of hours of service are given by parishioners each year. They enhance the celebration of Mass and liturgies, assist with helping others through social outreach programs. They journey with families to form current and future generations in the faith through religious education programs, sponsor adults entering the Church through the RCIA process. Others assist homebound parishioners by bringing to them the greatest gift of our Catholic faith, the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ.

This report is a small glance at the many activities joyfully celebrated by our community, it however in no way covers all of the events, programs, and celebrations of St. Francis of Assisi.

# AVERAGE WEEKLY MASS ATTENDANCE



### **FAITH FORMATION**

Faith Formation Ministry 2021-2022

God is so Good! The 2021-2022 was a hybird year of challenges and joys.

The Faith Formation Ministry covers many ministries in our parish.

They are:

J.O.Y- Jesus, Others and Yourself,

- Rite of Christian Initiation
- Adult Confirmation
- Lectio Divina
- High School Confirmation

These programs would not be possible without the dedication of the many volunteers who commit their own time and energy to support our parish. I want to say "Thank-You" with a grateful heart for your service.

We entered into the year with partially open ministries Many Faith Formation Ministries met in person. The only ministry that did not meet in person was our JOY program. Our goal as always is to spread the love of Christ to our parishioners but at the same time, we needed to keep adults and children safe.

Our JOY sessions started in October 2021. We had 98 families with over 100 hundred children and youth registered. Our JOY team felt that ZOOM was not going to be the right tools for our families. We decided we would record our sessions. We added YouTube clips and faith formation study tools to help our families engaged in their faith while watching the recording together at home. We touched on many different



topics including, Scripture and how to read a Bible, what is Advent? Why the Blessed Mother is important to us as Catholics. At the end of the monthly session, families would send back their complete faith work via the web. I read and received many beautiful colorings and heartfelt testimony's from parents about what they were going through during the Covid 19. Their deep faith was carrying them and their families through these challenging times. All in all, I believe we were able to touch some hearts and engage our learners in the teachings of their faith.

#### **Order of Christian Initiation for Adults**

This year we had 1 adult and who became newly baptized. Our Team and Catechumenate met every Sunday at 10:30 to learn about the Catholic Faith, Jesus and our customs and traditions. Our focus during Lent was spent on prayer and contemplation. The Catechumenate were able to attend the Rite of Election in front of the Bishop as us had them sign their names in the Book of

Elect. Their next step was to be baptized, receive Eucharist and be Confirmed at the Easter Vigil.



#### **First Communion**

The 48 First Communion candidates were eager to learn about Jesus and the Eucharist. Last year they spent time in JOY learning about the goodness of our God and all that he has created. We had First Communion Sessions in person on Sundays. We watched a clip from the Lion King when Simba was being "Baptized" and the entire animal community came to participate this important event. The clip taught the children that through their baptism, they became members of the Catholic community. The also became the sons and daughters of God's holy kingdom.

The children had their first experience of the Sacrament of Reconciliation. They arrived early Saturday morning with their parents. They were very excited to receive the grace and sacrament of forgiveness.

Lastly, the children celebrated the sacrament of First Eucharist inside the Chapel in May. They were all dressed up in their finest First Communion attire. Even though we were all wearing our masks, I could see in their eyes the excitement of receiving Jesus the very first time. It was a beautiful celebration.





weekend Mass celebrations.
We are also thankful to our Liturgical Committee and Environment Team for helping to coordinate and train ministers, as well as decorate our

worship spaces for the various liturgical celebrations.

### **LITURGY**



During this past year, we were able to transition our Sunday Masses back indoors instead of outside in the Upper Tents. We continue to livestream our 8:00AM Mass every Sunday for our parishioners who are not yet comfortable or able to come to inperson Mass. We are so grateful to all our liturgical ministers that continuously serve our parish community every week in various ministries including funerals, weddings, baptisms, quinceañeras, and our usual





### **MUSIC MINISTRY**

Music Ministry Annual Report 2021-2022

Highlights of the past year:

- The summer of 2021, we were still celebrating Masses both inside and outside. But at the beginning of September, we finally brought back the 6PM Youth Mass and the choir was filled with our beloved high school youth leaders and participants. Their musical talents flourished and to this day, the choir consists of at least ten singers.
- · As the weather started to cool, we transitioned back to indoor Masses in November and December and our music ministers transitioned well to the new changes, distancing, masking, etc.
- Simbang Gabi 2021: This past novena was very memorable. Each of the nine masses had a different choir and at the last Mass, we gathered as a grand ensemble. All of our Fil-Am choirs were very excited to serve for Simbang Gabi again and it showed through their preparation and service during Mass!



- · A new generation of Children's Choir has begun! In December, I started back the children's choir and they served on Christmas Day and are still serving on certain weeks now. Their young voices and energetic personalities have been a joy to work with and the assembly has expressed great appreciation for the children's choir. Today, there at 16 kids ranging in grades 2nd to 5th.
- · Another choir that has started is called "Treble Choir" an ensemble of young adult female voices. We served for the first time together on Palm Sunday and it was so moving to hear powerful and passionate female voices come together as one.
- Throughout Lent, Triduum and Easter, the music ministers definitely showed great commitment in making sure every Mass was covered and we have had brand new singers in a few of our choirs, some who are long time parishioners as first time music ministers, and some who are brand new to the parish that expressed great interest and desire to serve in the choir.
- · A Music Ministry workshop was held by myself and Annastasia Brown about the pillars of music and ministry and ministers from our parish were present, as well as many ministers from neighboring parishes joined us as well.

We are continuing to live-stream the 8:00am Sunday Mass which can be found on our parish Youtube page. With the wonderful technical assistance of Kevin Bernaga, Hao Duong and Lewis Tecson, our outdoor sound system is working and parishioners who are gathered outside the Chapel are still able to listen to Mass.

Today, we are seeing a familiar normal. With many of our ensembles gathered, our ministry consists of:

- · 2 children's choir (one English, one Vietnamese)
- · 1 youth choir (middle school/high school youth)
- · 2 young adult choir (college and up)
- · 4 Spanish speaking accompanists/cantors/family choirs who serve with us from visiting parishes
- · A regular daily Mass choir who serves on the weekdays
- · And 12 adult choirs who serve at various Masses throughout the month

We are always welcoming new singers and musicians into our music family. If you have a calling to use your musical talents to serve our community, you are welcome here.

### YOUTH MINISTRY

It has been a great year for our Youth Ministry Programs!



Figure 1 ECHO KICKOFF Opening Prayer

#### ECHO:

Our Echo Junior High ministry had a total of 31 participants who registered for the entire ministry year. As we returned to in person ministry, our parish was blessed to

have an awesome team of 40 high school volunteer leaders ready and passionate to minister to the junior high youth of our parish.



ECHO Ministry Leaders 2021-2022

Our ECHO sessions took place every Friday for majority of the year. Last year, in March of 2021, we held our annual ECHO retreat, "Kung Fu Panda" at the parish due to continued pandemic restrictions. This past March of 2022, we were so excited to finally be able to hold the retreat back at Camp Maymac in the beautiful Santa Cruz mountains. The theme of this year's retreat was "Symphony" in which we focused on the part each of us play in the great Symphony of God's creation.



The retreat consisted of 31 participants and 35 leaders. As the year ended, we bid farewell to 6 of our awesome leaders graduating and leaving for college this upcoming year, praying for them and wishing them the best. We ended the year with our second ever ECHO leader beach retreat.

#### Saints in the City:

Two of our very own ECHO coordinators were recognized at this year's Saints in the City Banquet held by the Diocese of San Jose at St. John Vianney Parish. Noah Fabriquer and Matthew Luong have spent countless hours either participating or volunteering in our ministries over the years. We are extremely proud to be able to recognize them and everything they do for our parish community in this capacity.



Saints in the
City 2022
Award
Recipients,
Noah
Fabriquer
(Left) and
Matthew
Luong
(Right).

#### **IGNITE:**

Our Ignite High School Ministry, on the other hand had a total of about 42 registered participants. The participants came on most Sunday afternoons for our general meeting sessions. They also had the opportunity to feed the hungry at the Tully public library the day before Thanksgiving this past year.



Youth Leaders volunteering to Feed the Hungry for Thanksgiving.

This was in collaboration with our Homeless Project Ministry at the parish. In October, we took our first social outing to Spina Pumpkin Patch in Morgan Hill.



Youth Leaders volunteering to Feed the Hungry for Thanksgiving.

10 of our high school youth were also able to attend the Diocesan Youth Retreat held in South Lake Tahoe for the first time since the pandemic, a retreat in which our Youth Minister was asked to co-coordinate.



Diocesan Youth Retreat 2022. First back in Tahoe after Pandemic.

#### Vacation Bible School 2022



Vacation Bible School 2022 Leader Team.

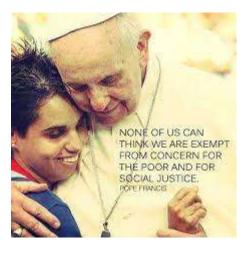
Our "Monumental" Vacation Bible School program took place July 11<sup>th</sup> to the 22<sup>nd</sup> from Monday to Friday. This being the first Summer hosting VBS since the pandemic, we had a total of about 50 young participants, which is a third of our usual enrollment. We did, however, have an awesome team of 30 volunteer high school leaders ministering to the youth every day. We are hopeful in slowly growing the program again this upcoming year

### SOCIAL JUSTICE MINISTRIES

# Social Justice Ministries for the 2021-2022 Parish Report

Our shared commitment to serving those in need is a key part of the mission of St. Francis of Assisi Parish, and we are "continuously reaching out to serve others and build the Kingdom of God". We are thankful to be part of a parish where so many generous and caring people hear the call to give back. We celebrate the contributions of the parish over the past year in outreach to the community.

The Back to School Drive, which had been canceled the prior year, returned in August, with parishioners donating dozens of backpacks and bags of school supplies. These were shared with elementary schools in the Evergreen School District. Students returning to school, some for the first time in over a year, were able to start the new school year with brand new backpacks and supplies.



Parishioners donated over \$6200 in November's Thanksgiving Outreach to the Poor collection.

Through our partnerships with Christ the King, St. Maria Goretti and Most Holy Trinity outreach programs, we helped ensure that families could celebrate the Thanksgiving holiday with special meals.

The Christmas Giving Trees, an annual project that changed to a monetary collection during the first year of Covid, returned during Advent. The response from parishioners was incredible. Over a thousand gifts were collected and delivered to our partners at Our Lady of Guadalupe and Our Lady of Refuge, where they were shared

with community members.

Together, we helped spread Christmas joy with hundreds of families.

Parishioners contributed generously to the **Francis** 

Catholic Social Teachings

Sacredness of life and the Dignity of the Human Person

Human Rights & the Responsibility to Protect them

Dignity of Work & the Rights of Workers

Call to Family, Community, and Participation

Preferential Option for the Poor & Vulnerable

Solidarity with All People as One Global Family.

Fund, our regular collection that helps fund our various initiatives. This year, the Francis Fund was used to make donations to local organizations committed to alleviating hunger, including Second Harvest Food Bank, Martha's Kitchen, Loaves and Fishes, Action Against Hunger. We supported the important work of Sacred Heart Community Services, the Salvation Army, and Catholic Extension's programs to support poor isolated faith communities in our country financially devastated by Covid.

We contributed to the Village Scholarship, which provides an all-inclusive, four-year scholarship for a young woman of African ancestry with financial need to attend Notre Dame High School.

We continued our partnership with the John the XXIII Center to assist people in need in downtown San Jose. John XXIII is part of Catholic Charities and Cathedral Social Ministries, reaching about 200 individuals per day with free services including mailboxes for clients without a permanent address, a Healthcare Clinic to address medical needs, and Bridges of Hope to provide resources for those newly released incarcerated. In addition to regular donations of razors and toiletries, we sponsored a Health Fair for the downtown

homeless population and funded gift cards to incentivize people to keep healthcare appointments and complete lengthy applications.

The FIND (Families and

Individuals in Need) Program provided direct support to people within the parish boundaries seeking immediate help. The program provided grocery vouchers and assistance with overdue utility bills for families and individuals facing hunger and potential homelessness.

The Villages Catholic Community began a relationship with Amigos de Guadalupe's Casitas Tiny Homes program this year. Parishioners toured the site and delivered a donation to help with the program expenses. Later in the year, they provided gift cards to families transitioning out of the Casitas.



At the Evergreen Farmers Market, parishioners volunteered weekly to collect food donated by the vendors and the local Costco. The food, primarily fresh fruits and vegetables, was delivered to the Family Supportive Housing family shelter. This year, the team delivered over 42 thousand pounds of food.

Groups of parishioners also volunteered at the Second Harvest Food Bank, sorting food to be delivered to our hungry neighbors.

The parish hosted the Handicapables group for Mass and lunch again this year, with a group of parishioners providing hospitality. This Catholic Charities program for disabled adults meets periodically around the Diocese and has made an annual visit to St. Francis of Assisi for many years.

We partnered with the Stanford Blood Center to host blood drives in October, February and June. Over the past year, the Blood Drive has provided lifesaving blood components to over 600 people in need, at no expense to the parish. The parish provides our gathering space to the Stanford Blood Center for drive-day setup and usually 20 to 30 employees from Stanford are there to help. Our parish volunteers recruit donors, coordinate schedules, manage the day of drive, welcome donors and make them feel appreciated. We are proud to say that St. Francis has sponsored this tri-annual blood drive for almost 20 years.

We sincerely thank you for the continuous support of the social ministry programs, through volunteering and giving to the Francis Fund and other collections. We encourage you to be involved in the ministries that interest you. Together, we will impact many lives, in San Jose and beyond.

#### PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Our *Silent Evangelists* - the Prayer Shawl



Ministry, meet every Thursday in the Fireside room, using their skilled hands to knit or crochet prayer shawls for those suffering from an illness; in body, mind or spirit. At the request of a loved one,

family member or friend, these shawls are given to offer an extension of our faith in God, our church and the gifts of prayer and hope in a warm, soft shawl.



Through word of mouth only, to date the Ministry has provided over 1500 shawls filled with prayers, hope, and encouragement to the recipient. The shawls give strength, peace, and courage, with the knowledge that they are never alone.

We extend an invitation to anyone who would like to join us in prayer and offer your skills with yarn and needles, if you choose. We welcome you any Thursday from 4:00 - 6:00pm in the Fireside Room. Donations of yarn gratefully accepted! Contact Joyce Harper for more information 408-499-5194.





The Our Lady of the Assumption Praesidium of the San Jose Diocese Legion of Mary opened August 15, 2016 here at St. Francis. Our Praesidium is one of 14, which along with 3 Curia, make up the San Jose Diocese Comitium. We are not a social organization, but rather a structured, evangelical service organization. We meet weekly here at St. Francis. Our current major apostolates include homebound ministry, assisted living visitation, and volunteering to assist at various church functions. Prior to covid, we also fed the homeless, and had "Pilgrim Virgin Statue" prayer meetings in the community, both of which we hope to resume when safe. If interested in exploring joining the Legion of Mary, call 408-693-4456 where you will reach Rosel Jarvis who is the President of our Praesidium and also the Comitium Vice President.



#### MARRIAGE MINISTRY



The couple themselves in the presence of a priest or deacon and their witnesses minister the Sacrament of Marriage. As the couple faithfully fulfill their duties and responsibilities to the Church, they continue to be strengthened in their marriage by the grace of the sacrament. They give witness to their vocation by sharing their love with in lives of service to one another and to the Church.

Last year the Parish of St. Francis of Assisi was blessed to host the marriages of:

- Fifty-six couples vowing their love and commitment to one another through the Sacrament of Matrimony. 2 couples celebrated wedding anniversaries by renewing their marriage covenant



We are fortunate to have our three priests, Fr. Matthew Stanley, Fr. Lieu Vu and Fr. Athanasius Kikoba, as well as three deacons

to assist and prepare couples prior to celebrating their sacrament. Some couples request to have a family friend or relative who is an ordained priest or deacon assist them in their preparation and officiate at their wedding.



We have three dedicated wedding coordinators who deserve a huge round of applause. Rowena Legacion, Karen Meschke, and Maria Arroya. These women contact the engaged couples a week in advance, instruct the bridal parties at their rehearsal, and are present on the day of their wedding to assist and direct the liturgical celebration. We are always in need of more coordinators. Email or call Suzanne Fitzgerald for more information.

Although our parish environment team prepares for the Sunday Eucharist, they do a brilliant job setting the "stage" for these celebrations. They should be commended greatly for sharing their time and talents.

An integral part of the celebration is beautiful music. We welcome a variety of musicians. Leslie Legacion, director of music, is available to support and guide couples in their selection of appropriate liturgical music.

St. Francis of Assisi Parish is very grateful that so many couples choose to have their marriage or anniversary celebrated here in our chapel. For more information, visit our parish website. We are always eager to serve and support couples to help enhance their "special day" as they celebrate this beautiful sacrament.

# ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI PRESCHOOL

After a long closure during the Pandemic, the Preschool reopened in March 2022, led by Director, Lauren Kuehn. Ms. Kuehn began her career in Early Education in 1984 and led a preschool for more than 75 students per day and was considered one of the best programs and campuses in the south bay until 2019 when the school closed.



As you may have guessed restarting a program is a bit of a slow process even during the best of times. We are happy to announce that as in-person learning for Preschool aged children is back at St. Francis of Assisi.

Some of the activities the students have enjoyed since reopening include, studying trees, plants and insects found on our Parish grounds. They planted various seeds some that grow their "fruit" under the dirt, like radishes and bush beans that flower and produce "fruit" above ground. They recorded their observations and hypothesized what would happen next and many took these seedlings home to take care of and some replanted them in their own backyards. On one of their "Nature Walks" they discovered a tiny Oak tree sapling that they rescued from a footpath and replanted in a pot to care for in the classroom. This



triggered an in depth study of the lifecycle of Oak trees which led to learning about Apple trees, apple tasting, and making their own applesauce.

They're also proud of all of the music and movement activities that were introduced. The children learned many songs and dances as well as Yoga poses that not only helped with physical strength and motor balance, but also peace and balance within one's self. Their favorite movement activity was a song called "Bee" that incorporated yoga poses, singing and dancing. "Bee Breath" was their favorite breathing exercise.





The children really enjoyed the Pizza Theme week. We read the story, Pete's a Pizza, by William Steig and sang a song called, "I am a Pizza" by Charlotte Diamond and made a "people

pizza" where there is always room for everyone, in yoga. They even made individual Pizzas for snack and created a pretend pizza restaurant in the dramatic play center.

In July, the program was awarded a grant to expand these concepts for the purchase of equipment and materials, as well as training for staff. With an updated vision in mind, Ms. Kuehn has reimagined the program to include many STREAM (Science, Technology, Religion, Engineering, Arts & Math) educational experiences and activities. We're very excited to incorporate all of these concepts into the program. While it is important to show that STEM education is especially important to our Parish Families living and working in Silicon Valley, we also want our students to understand their role as a "conscious" for the evolution of STEM learning with respect to its cause and effects in their lives both as Catholics and future caretakers of the God's creation.



At the end of the Summer, the Preschool graduated out several children who will move on to Kindergarten and Transitional Kindergarten in our local schools.

We will begin the new school year with new families and a few openings to add enrollments so that more local kids can realize the benefit of attending a high quality Early Childhood Education Program. We're excited and looking forward to the new school year!

St. Francis of Assisi Preschool accepts children 2yrs 9mo to 5yrs, who are toilet trained regardless of their religious affiliation. We accept applications for enrollment throughout the year and place students as space allows. Enrollments are 2–5 days per/week from 8:15-2:15. For more information contact: Lauren Aguiar Kuehn 408-223-1770 x100 or

lauren.kuehn@dsj.org



# MEMORIAL GARDEN MINISTRY

In the past year, we have provided 59 committal services and inurnments.

Some of the inurnments followed a funeral mass held in the chapel, others were committal services held in the Memorial Garden and then followed by the inurnment of the urn in the niche.

Funeral Masses and Committal services have been presided by our priests and by visiting priests.

Some families chose to bring the ashes of their loved ones from different countries and have them placed in a niche in our Memorial Garden. The Memorial Garden ministry assisted them with information on bringing the ashes from abroad, providing them with a temporary travel urn if needed and creating and filing the DHR 'Dispensation of Human Remains' forms with the Santa Clara County Health Department after the committal and inurnment service.

We have continued to improve the administration side, improvements in tracking and documenting niche ownership, improving overview maps, and entering everything into the Plotbox database. The deceased records have also been improved, the DHR is now scanned into the Plotbox database, together with the person's photo if this has been requested. In late June I started the project of going back through all the past records and entering the DHR into those records.

During the past year, we have worked to make improvements in the garden maintenance, however, the upgrades and improvements to the landscaping have only started in August of 2022.

We are also working with a company to make improvements and have regular maintenance on the pathway pavers, Additionally, a proposal has been provided to repaint inscriptions that have faded and to maintain the granite columbarium walls. Hopefully this work will start soon.

# ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI FEAST DAY 2022











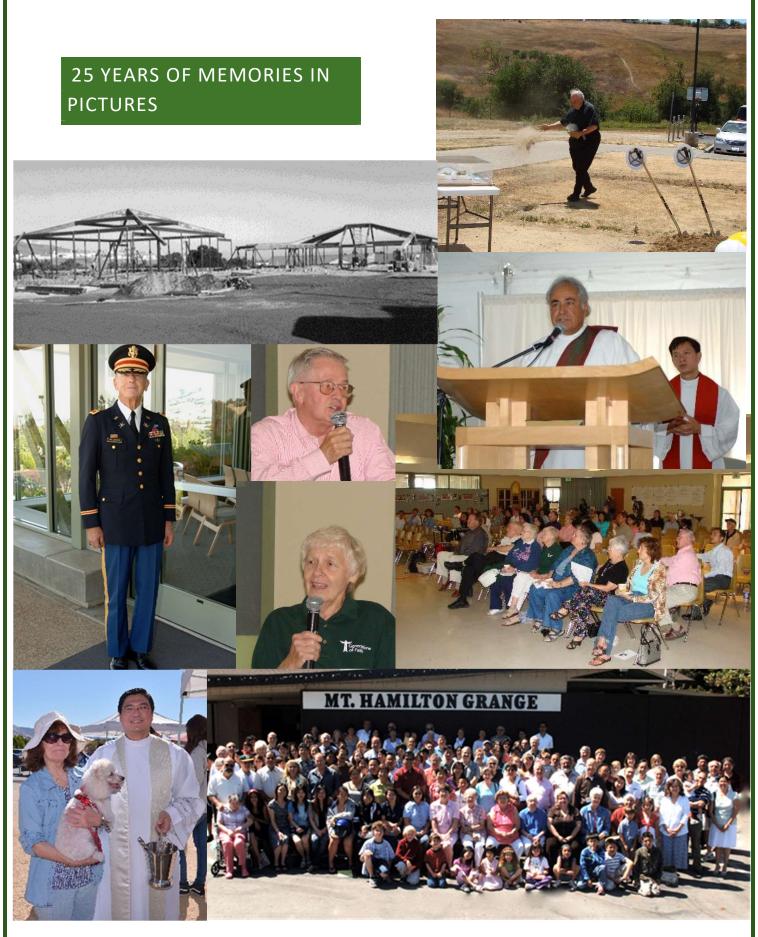


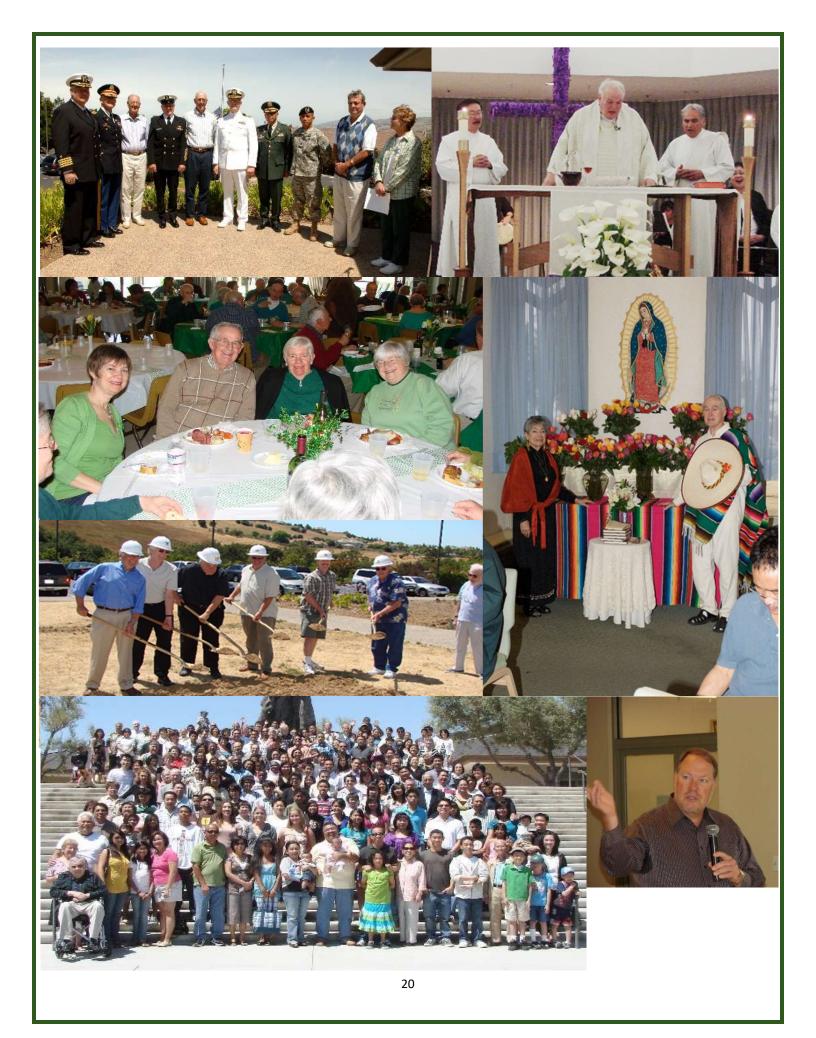






















### **GIFTS OF TREASURE**

# **Sunday Offertory**

**Number of Families** who used offertory envelopes 680 this past year-Average weekly offertory contribution per family using envelopes \$985

Number of families who gave through online contributions

Average weekly online offertory gift

**Outreach Charitable** Contributions

**Total Diocesan** Charitable Second

\$85,411.22 Collections

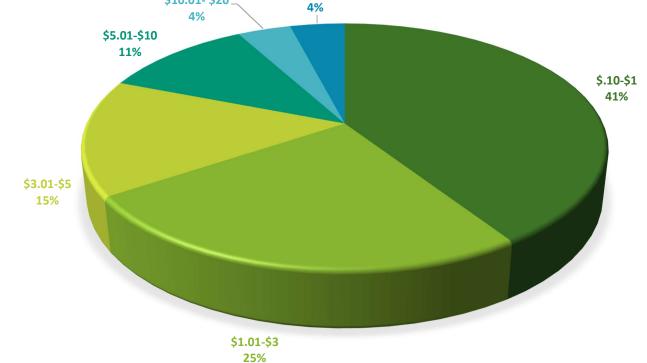
**Total Gifts for** 

St. Francis Fund \$ 67,641.31



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\$20.17





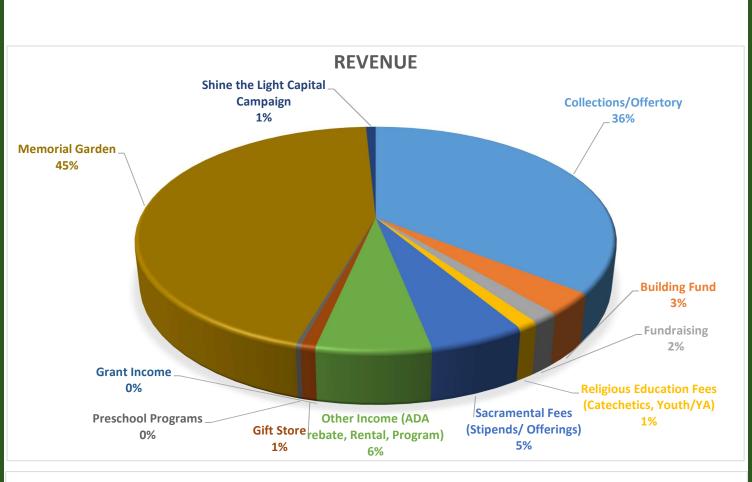


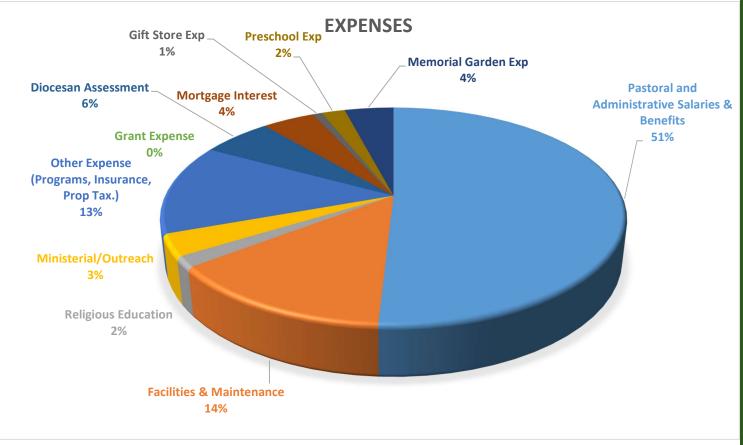
# BALANCE SHEET - STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL STANDING

	<u>Current Year</u> 6/30/2022	<u>Prior Year</u> 6/30/2021	\$ Change
<u>ASSETS</u>			
Current Assets			
Checking/Savings			
Accounts Descively	2,227,116.93	2,734,140.05	(507,023.12)
Accounts Receivable	60,427.67	25,813.84	34,613.83
Other Current Assets	00, 127.07	23,013.01	31,013.03
	58,783.09	12,137.46	46,645.63
Total Current Assets			
Fixed Assets	2,346,327.69	2,772,091.35	(425,763.66)
_Fixed Assets	3,873,373.49	4,228,730.37	(355,356.88)
Other Assets	5,5,5,5,5	.,==0,, 00.0.	(333,333.33)
	468,834.49	531,238.64	(62,404.15)
TOTAL ASSETS			(
	6,688,535.67	7,532,060.36	(843,524.69)
LIABILITIES & EQUITY			
Current Liabilities			
Accounts Payable			
. 1888 d. 188 : d.ya.a.c	23,862.12	1,904.58	21,957.54
Other Current Liabilities			
	176,689.81	154,852.02	21,837.79
Total Current Liabilities	200,551.93	156,756.60	43,795.33
Long-Term Liabilities	200,331.93	130,730.00	45,795.55
	430,473.87	2,517,903.85	(2,087,429.98)
Total Liabilities			
	631,025.80	2,674,660.45	(2,043,634.65)
<u>Equity</u>	6,057,509.87	4,857,399.91	1,200,109.96
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	0,037,305.07	<del>-</del> ,007,099.91	1,200,109.90
	6,688,535.67	7,532,060.36	(843,524.69)

# STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENSES

	FY21-22	FY21-22	FY22-23
	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	<b>BUDGET</b>
REVENUE			
Collections/Offertory	1,124,524.26	968,000.00	1,035,600.00
Building Fund	96,835.99	80,000.00	75,000.00
Fundraising	48,448.51	80,000.00	109,900.00
Religious Education Fees (Catechetics, Youth/YA)	37,124.00	56,250.00	66,000.00
Sacramental Fees (Stipends/ Offerings)	173,026.56	114,100.00	133,350.00
Other Income (ADA rebate, Rental, Program)	205,069.12	81,250.00	141,701.00
Grant Income	-	15,000.00	-
Gift Store	26,428.07	5,000.00	25,000.00
Preschool Programs	9,104.00	192,930.00	182,400.00
Memorial Garden	1,412,417.02	1,000,000.00	1,134,000.00
Shine the Light Capital Campaign	24,590.00	10,000.00	2,500.00
Total Revenue	3,157,567.53	2,602,530.00	2,905,451.00
EXPENSES			
Pastoral and Administrative Salaries & Benefits	935,626.01	947,321.22	1,033,805.50
Facilities & Maintenance	252,413.24	249,355.00	501,423.00
Religious Education	29,423.11	51,450.00	60,600.00
Ministerial/Outreach	60,128.17	54,034.00	63,834.00
Other Expense (Programs, Insurance, Prop Tax.)	248,210.07	310,625.00	481,600.00
Grant Expense	-	15,000.00	-
Diocesan Assessment	107,616.00	107,616.00	92,000.00
Mortgage Interest	80,678.94	82,000.00	
Gift Store Exp	14,445.46	2,700.00	15,600.00
Preschool Exp	35,780.71	114,243.00	149,230.00
Memorial Garden Exp	75,089.49	80,011.00	90,935.50
Total Expenses	1,839,411.20	2,014,355.22	2,489,028.00
Depreciation Expense*	404,851.13	401,896.00	407,057.09
<u>Total Expenses * (incl.</u> Depreciation)	2,244,262.33	2,416,251.22	2,896,085.09
Surplus/Deficit * (incl Depreciation)	913,305.20	186,278.78	9,365.91





## MORTGAGE DEBT SUMMARY CHART

## **Mortgage Information**

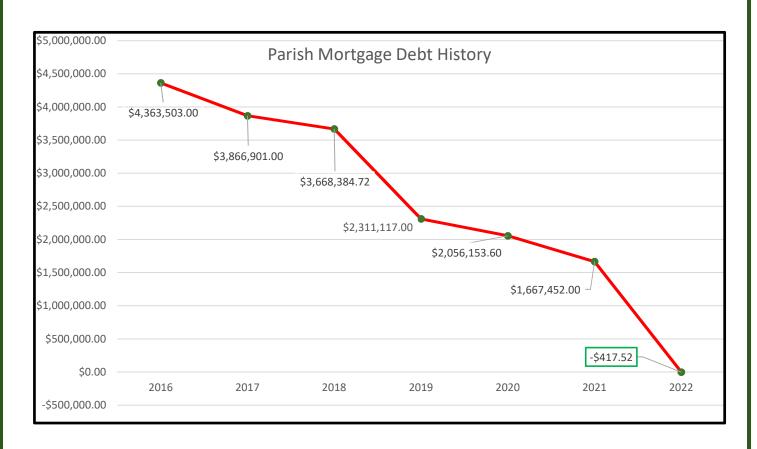
2021 Note Payable to DSJ Mortgage Debt as of 6/30/21

Less: (Payments to Loan)

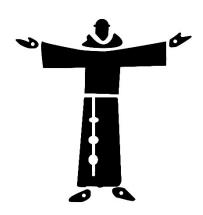
Note Payable to DSJ as of 6/30/22

\*Overpayment

1,667,452.11 1,667,869.63 (417.52)\*



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