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O NOVEMBER, 2015 O FISCAL YEAR 2014-2015

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Dear St. John's Parish Family,

2014-2015

As we begin our 2015-2016 Fiscal Year the Finance Council submits for your consideration the 2014-2015 Financial Summary.

The purpose of the St. John the Evangelist faith family is to fulfill his words, "Let us love not in word or speech but in deed and truth" with the goal of growing the vibrancy of our liturgical rites, faith formation and community/ outreach service programs.

None of these would be possible if it were not for your extraordinary support in time, service and financial contribution.

Considering the unanticipated winter weather, snow plowing, income loss and unexpected repairs to the Rectory, the FY15 Operating budget ended with a \$51,520 deficit.

Be assured that we are very carefully scrutinizing every area of the budget and adjusting everywhere possible to be transparent and fiscally responsible. We are sincerely appreciative of the sacrifices made in the generous support by our parish family.

The reality is not only that we focus on reducing expenditures, but also, realize that the growing demands on our faith formation and community services are impacted by the immediate need to repair, replace and upgrade our buildings and grounds that have been long deferred. (Continued on Page 2)

You can reach members of the Finance Council by calling Fr. David at 508.563.5887 or by email at frdavid@sjeparish.com

Meet the Finance Council

(Rev.) David C. Frederici Deacon Brendan Brides Mr. Robert Delahunt Mrs. Roberta Dwyer Mr. Eiler Milsted Mr. George Smith Ms. Kelley Spodris Dr. William Towne



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1 John 3:18

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From the Chair (Continued from Page 1)

Our Pastor Fr. David, Deacon, Staff and Finance Council are very aware that times are very difficult for many of us. We are appreciative of your sacrifices and support of St. John the Evangelist Parish and the work it supports for our faith family and our community.

The Finance Council includes: Fr. David, Deacon Brides, Robert Delahunt, Roberta Dwyer, Eiler Milsted, George Smith, and Kelley Spodris.

Sincerely, William Towne, Chair

Faith Formation

16 catechists gave their time graciously so that. . .

Over 230 children participated in the faith formation program.

¢27 children received their First Penance and First Communion.

◊61 teens affirmed their faith through the Sacrament of Confirmation.

4 adults were welcomed into the Catholic faith through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults.

The addition of Bible Study and Book Clubs for adults throughout the year has helped to remind us that we are life-long learners of faith!



Our Faith Formation program is an important part of our growing parish!

Parish Highlights

1,119 families (over 2,534 parishioners) are registered in the parish. This is an increase of almost 100 from last year!

We have seen a 10% increase in Mass attendance!

11 couples and families celebrated life through the Sacrament of Marriage (up from 3 last year).

32 babies began their faith journey through the Sacrament of Baptism (up from 23 last year). This year we also had 2 adult baptisms.

Over 25 Eucharistic Ministers made weekly visits to Bourne Manor, Cape Cod Senior Residences, Pocasset Mental Health Center, and Gosnold on Cape Cod.

Our Prayer Shawl Ministry comes together weekly to lovingly knit shawls for those needing comfort. 65 have been given already, and 27 baby blankets have been knitted for baptism gifts.



Our Eucharistic Ministers bring the gift of Holy Communion to those that are homebound, as well as residents of area nursing homes.

Please note these are simply highlights of some of the many ways which members of the St. John the Evangelist Parish Family experienced the power of the sacraments and prayer during the past year. For more information about our ministries, please visit our website at www.stjohnspocasset.org or call the parish office.

Financial Summary

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Resources available, June 30, 2014

Bank checking accounts:	112,164
Diocese depository accounts:	1,327,434
Total resources:	1,439,598

INCOME

Weekly Offering:	\$225,895
Annual Appeal:	34,435
Fees, Holy Days, Other:	166,007
Second Collections:	60,507

Total Operating Income: \$486,843

Capital and Extraordinary Items

(302,585) Rectory and Facilities Repairs/Improvements

s (<u>59,238)</u> (361,823)

EXPENSES

Clergy/Office Sal & Parish Admin:	\$173,635
Cantors & Liturgical Suppl:	112,800
Rectory/Church/Parish Center Exp:	117,910
Religious Ed Sal & Suppl:	76,054
Benefits/Pension & Payroll Taxes	57,964

Total Operating Expense:\$538,363

Parish Operations Expense over Income: (\$51,520)

Resources available, June 30, 2015	
Bank checking accounts:	85,749
Diocese depository accounts:	939,795
Certificate of Deposit:	712
Total resources:	1,026,256

The **Weekly Offertory** for 2014-2015 brought in \$23,165, or 11.43%, more than 2013-2014.

The average weekly collection for 2014-2015 was \$4,344, up \$445 from 2013-2014.

The **Annual Appeal** ended the year down \$6,158, or 15.17%, from last year. 138 families contributed to the Annual Appeal in 2014-2015.

The average second collection for **Parish Ministry and Development** was \$1,592, up over \$26 per collection.

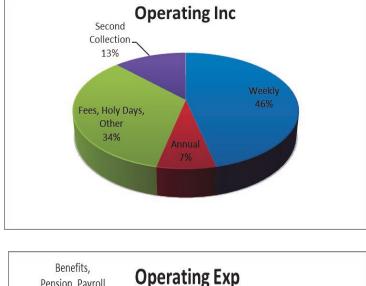
Parishioner donations fund the work of one priest; 7 part-time pastoral and administrative staff; and 10 cantors and musicians.

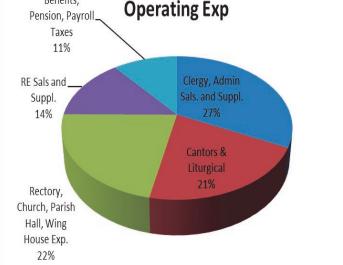
Through careful planning and budgeting of your parish support, we were able to complete the following improvements within the 2014-2015 fiscal year:

New room dividers for the Parish Center, new refrigerator, and necessary air conditioning work.

◊Demolition of the unsafe garage at the Rectory and repairs to the existing driveway.

 $\Diamond Needed$ work on the gutters, payment on the balance of the new sound system for the church.





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Looking Ahead with Joyful Hope!

Our parish family continues to grow and continues to seek to make ourselves a valuable resource, not just to our parishioners, but the community as well. This report shows our growth, not just in terms of finances, but also in the various activities of the parish. What I find most exciting though is the energy that is present and the fact that so many have said that they feel welcome here and glad to be a part of a community that is alive. I am grateful to God each day that I have the privilege of serving as the pastor of St. John the Evangelist!

As a token of my gratitude and that of the parish leadership, I invite you and your family to a special Mass of Thanksgiving on Tuesday, November 24 at 6PM. This will be followed by a free Pasta dinner in the Parish Hall. At that dinner we will take some time to recognize some from our family of faith who have given much of their time in making St. John the Evangelist the parish it is. I also invite you to bring a canned good with you that we can donate to the Bourne Food Pantry.

Please be assured of my continued prayers for you and your family.

Peace, Fr. David

We are St. John's!







SJE MINISTRIES

Service to Others Ministries & Apostolates

Bourne Manor Ministry Catechists Finance Council Knights of Columbus Ministry of Care Pastoral Council Respect Life St. Vincent de Paul

Parish Life & Spiritual Ministries BINGO Bereavement Ministry Ministry of Consolation Morning Rosary Prayer Shawl Ministry Women's Guild

Liturgical Ministries Altar Angels Altar Servers Extraordinary Ministers Flower Ministry Lectors Music Ministry: Adult and Children's Choir Masters of Ceremony Ushers and Collectors Wedding Coordinators

Social Groups & Ministries 55 & Over Luncheons Fellowship Lenten Soup Supper Thanksgiving Pasta Night

The above are just some of the ways parishioners share the gifts of their time and talents. Other ways to become involved are helping others to become Catholic through RCIA, to helping with teens, or working to strengthen our sacramental programs. Visit our website for more information about each ministry.

Website





