

**Saint John the Baptist Parish**

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**Dear Parishioners,**

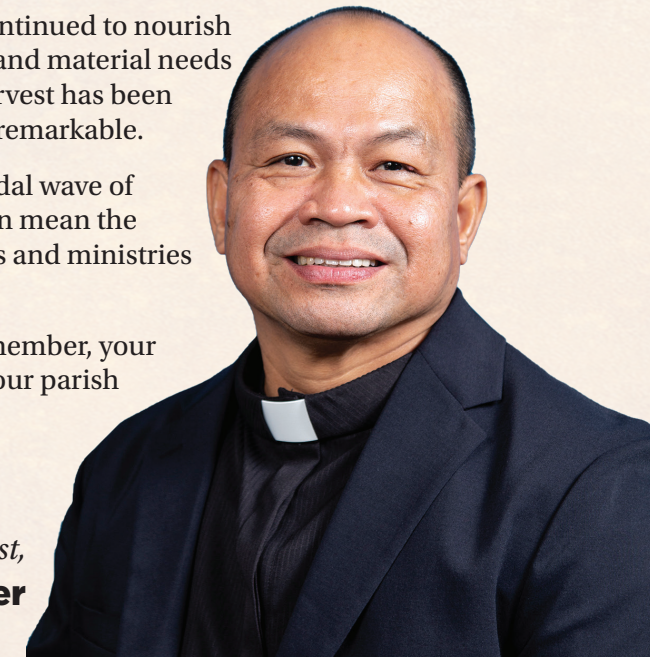
The safety and health of every member of our parish have been in my daily prayers as together we continue to face the ups and downs of the pandemic. Many of you, I know, have endured great pain and personal loss, not to mention the numerous concerns that have developed as the pandemic has imposed an ongoing struggle with fear and isolation in many people's lives. Still today, there is the ongoing uncertainty of what is next because of the new COVID variant.

I hope you have been comforted by our local and Diocesan outreach through streaming Masses, phone calls, special mailings and, in many parishes, special COVID-19 ministries like online prayer chains and other opportunities for prayer. There were also special collections to support mission work at home and around the world, food drives to help the hungry, volunteers who cleaned and sanitized our churches to protect our at-risk parishioners, and a shut-in coordinator who made a crucial connection with the elderly and homebound. These are just a few examples of the outpouring of love we saw in the name of Jesus Christ throughout the pandemic.

I want you to know that through it all, Saint John the Baptist Parish has continued to nourish the seeds of faith that have been planted, seeking to care for the spiritual and material needs of our entire parish community. The good news in all of this is that the harvest has been bountiful! In fact, the support provided by you, the faithful, has been just remarkable.

As excited as I am about the impact of our outreach, I also realize that a tidal wave of need is still on the horizon. Economic uncertainty and continued isolation mean the most vulnerable among us will need us now more than ever. Our missions and ministries cannot continue to meet that need without your help.

I want to sincerely thank you for all that you have given to our parish. Remember, your contributions keep this parish vibrant and impactful. Please remember your parish this year, and prayerfully consider increasing your stewardship so we can continue God's work.



*Yours in Christ,*  
**Father Elmer**

Growing Support for our  
**FAITH**  
Community



**Saint John the Baptist Parish Annual Report 2021**

**Flowers that Feed the Soul: Our Ministry Listing**

- Altar Server
- Music Ministry
- Art & Environment Committee
- Religious Formation Leaders
- Youth Ministry Leaders
- Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
- Festival Committee
- Worship Committee
- Holy Name Society
- Ministry of Hospitality
- Evangelization
- Money Counters
- Lectors
- Ushers
- Ministry of Care
- Greeters
- Ministry of Consolation
- Rosary Altar Society
- Catholic Daughters of America
- Court Lambing #314
- "Mary Undoer of Knots" Knitting



# Cultivate the Garden Within: Capital Improvements



Your contributions to our parish help maintain the facility, making it the center of prayer in our community.

Over the last three years, we completed sealing of all the parking lots, put new signage on the church, removed the gas

meter in the side parking lot, installed new lighting in the church, remodeled our social hall kitchen and repaired the retaining wall at the parish office. This year, we replaced the boiler and water heater at the parish office and installed new exterior doors for the kitchen and the boiler room at the school.

## Parish Financials

	2020-21	2019-20	2018-19
<b>Offertory</b>	\$ 229,125	\$ 218,648	\$ 214,194
<b>Other Ordinary Income</b> <i>(monthly collections, votive candles)</i>	23,035	20,031	23,691
<b>Extraordinary Income</b> <i>(bequests, donations, fundraising, interest, rental income)</i>	70,568	59,027	57,118
<b>Diocesan Lenten Appeal Refund</b>	19,961	13,795	12,996
<b>Other Non-Assessable Income</b> <i>(The Catholic Accent, sale of property, insurance reimbursements, and PPP Loan)</i>	33,341	33,623	2,977
<b>Special Collections</b>	10,620	7,720	14,273
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 386,650</b>	<b>\$ 352,844</b>	<b>\$ 325,249</b>
<b>Expenses</b>			
Administration	\$ 81,902	\$ 69,457	\$ 70,323
Church	54,496	41,299	48,324
Rectory	1,482	971	5,367
Education and Ministry	47,944	37,446	46,177
General Expenses	158,734	133,192	138,125
Special Collections	10,190	7,720	14,273
Extraordinary Expenses	27,146	8,901	3,609
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>381,894</b>	<b>298,986</b>	<b>326,198</b>
<b>Net Operating Income (Loss)</b>	<b>\$ 4,756</b>	<b>\$ 53,858</b>	<b>\$ (949)</b>

## Our Garden



### Registered Households

2021: 405  
2020: 420  
2019: 433

### Single Member Households

189



### Baptisms

2021: 7  
2020: 3  
2019: 3

### Weddings

2021: 3  
2020: 4  
2019: 1



### Funerals

2021: 20  
2020: 16  
2019: 18

## Weathering COVID-19

Just as God has provided for you, you have provided for our parish. Your investment is like the tilling of the soil, helping us to grow stronger. Despite the pandemic, our parish offertory remained strong, primarily due to the generosity of our parishioners; but it was greatly assisted by online giving and a record-breaking Diocesan Lenten Appeal.

We do have some future events on the calendar, so please consider participating. Help us grow the flowers of tomorrow by planting the seeds today.

- Quarterly dinners
- Thanksgiving Day community dinner
- Advent novena

I do want to call your attention to our new initiative we have started here, Lectio Divina. We started the first week of Lent and have streamed our sessions so that those who are homebound can share the Gospel. These efforts will go a long way toward planting the seeds of faith in the next generation of our parish.



## Ways You Can Give



**BY MAIL:**  
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**IN PERSON:**  
Monday - Wednesday, Friday  
9:00AM - 3:00PM



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

