

St. Cecilia Catholic Church



State of the Parish 2018



St. Cecilia

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A Message from Fr. Francis

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Your financial generosity and your involvement during the 2017-2018 fiscal year were key in fulfilling our mission. We were able to accomplish many goals because of your help. For that, I say thank you very much from the bottom of my heart.

With the level of donations equal to that of last year's and with expenses on budget, our cash savings remained at a steady level. Regular donations combined with lower 2017 Fall Fest revenues and an increase in interest earned on our cash deposits resulted in a 0.6% increase in parish income. We believe that the impact of Harvey on our community last year resulted in the flat overall donation levels as our parishioners redirected donations to the relief fund and other charities to aid in needed recovery efforts.

To date, we are slowly seeing a welcome rebound in donations. Our recent Fall Fest preliminary results indicate that we had one of our best years ever with approximately \$150,000 raised, a nearly \$57,000 increase from last year. We are grateful to the committee chairs who worked tirelessly to ensure the success of our Fall Fest.

This past year, we focused on expanding the budget of the various ministries in the parish in order to continue to provide wide-ranging formation programs. With support from some benefactors, we also saw the installation of the 100-year-old organ from the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart. The sacred instrument of the church was newly refurbished and installed atop the choir loft at St. Cecilia. Soon, an organ façade will be built.

We continue to meet our Diocesan Services Fund Goal for the last three years, thanks to the 625 participants who have contributed. We have paid \$298,000 against a goal of \$330,000. We have only two months left to meet our Archdiocesan-set goal. If we do not meet the goal, the balance will come out of our operating budget. For those who have not done so yet, please consider contributing.

I hope that you continue to support the parish in our mission and together we can continue to exceed our goals as a community. Thank you for being an active member and for participating in the growth and development of our parish. Because of your support, the state of St. Cecilia parish is extremely good. I am excited to present to you this year's annual pastoral and financial report and some of this year's highlights.

Sincerely in Christ,



Fr. Francis Macatangay. S.Th.D.
Pastor

State of the Parish Report - Fiscal Years 2017 & 2018

General Revenues

	Year Ended 6/30/18	Year Ended 6/30/17
Weekly and Holy Day Collections	\$ 2,984,639	\$ 2,985,859
Special Gifts and Memorials	\$ 364,226	\$ 319,433
Fall Fest	\$ 93,668	\$ 125,918
Interest Income	\$ 28,046	\$ 18,584
Revenues from Normal Operations	\$ 3,470,579	\$ 3,449,794

Expenses

Parish Operations

Plant Operations	\$ 446,089	\$ 402,099
School Plant Operations	\$ 710,448	\$ 714,834
School Reimbursement	\$ (500,000)	\$ (500,000)
Parish Administration	\$ 939,052	\$ 837,789
Total Parish Operations	\$ 1,595,589	\$ 1,454,722

Parish Ministries

Worship/Liturgy	\$ 272,156	\$ 275,736
Pastoral Ministries	\$ 674,999	\$ 647,565
Children's Ministries	\$ 170,473	\$ 158,860
Youth Ministries	\$ 141,775	\$ 141,290
Adult Ministries	\$ 84,729	\$ 62,785
Total Parish Ministries	\$ 1,344,132	\$ 1,286,236

Archdiocesan Obligations

Cathedraticum Tax	\$ 318,755	\$ 298,540
Archdiocesan Building Taxes	\$ 30,398	\$ 57,099
Total Diocesan Obligations	\$ 349,153	\$ 355,639

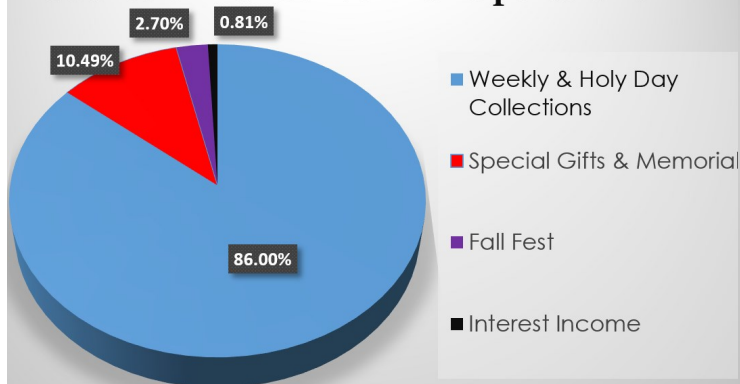
Total Expenditures	\$ 3,288,874	\$ 3,096,597
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Net Cash Impact	\$ 181,705	\$ 353,197
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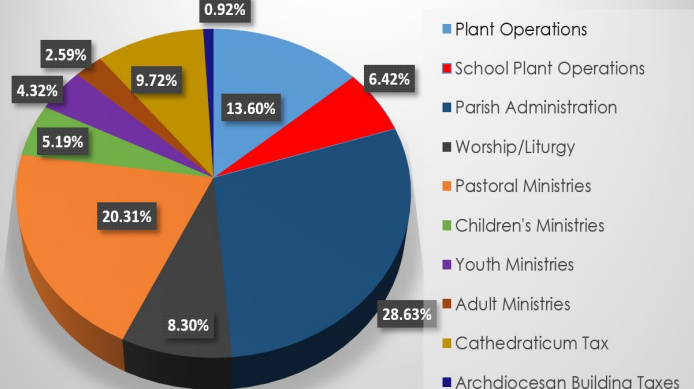
Other Sources of Income

Debt Reduction Collections	\$ -	\$ 41,622
Estate Bequest	\$ 142,020	\$ 647,176
Total Other Sources of Income	\$ 142,020	\$ 688,798

Source of Funds Normal Operations



Use of Funds



Charitable Giving

St. Cecilia Catholic Community donates a portion of its funds to organizations that improve people's lives as a way to live and share the joy of the gospel in the broader community. In addition to approximately \$190,000 that was distributed to Hurricane Harvey victims from our St. Cecilia Relief Fund in 2017, the ten parishioners who comprise the Charitable Giving committee this year decided to disperse funds to sister parishes who were harmed by Hurricane Harvey.

We distributed \$80,000 to eight parishes identified by the archdiocese as needing assistance beyond what insurance and archdiocesan funds could provide. After visiting each parish to verify the need, the committee presented their recommendations to Fr. Francis, who approved them.

Below are the parishes we assisted and how they will use the money:

1. Our Lady of Mt. Carmel - Sound system, liturgical books and hymnals
2. St. Augustine - Electrical station
3. St. Benedict the Abbott - Rebuild rectory, add gates to improve campus security
4. St. Christopher - Rectory and school roof and ceiling repair
5. St. Francis of Assisi - Marian altar for chapel, electric piano, photocopier
6. St. Gregory the Great - Classroom interior repairs, furnishings for rectory
7. St. Joseph Baytown - Resealing school windows
8. St. Pius V - Church organ repairs

Thank you Letter from St. Pius V

We want to express our deep thanks to Fr. Macatangay for his pastoral leadership, to Steve Roach, Michelle Forester, Casey Boettcher, all the members of the St. Cecilia Charitable Giving Committee, and most especially to the parishioners of St. Cecilia. May God bless you all for your generosity and may St. Cecilia insure that music fill your days.

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Joe Doran, Pastor, and the Catholic Community of St. Pius V

Diocesan Services Fund

To reach our goal of \$330,000 we need \$31,891.91 by December 31, 2018. Please consider contributing.

"Pope Francis has urged all of us to not fall into indifference, but to become active instruments of mercy. Through the Diocesan Services Fund (DSF) we are able to be instruments of mercy to thousands in our Archdiocese who are sick, poor, imprisoned, elderly or facing a crisis in their lives." — Daniel Cardinal DiNardo

2018 Goal	\$330,000
Pledged	\$314,237.22
Paid	\$298,108.09



"Living and sharing the joy of the Gospel."

St. Cecilia works hard to provide for those in need, always striving to do as much as we can for our community. United, our ministries have donated hundreds of essential necessities to the needy.

SOS for the Homeless

Provides 150 lunches weekly to two organizations that serve Houston's homeless

The Scarf Ministry

Provides over 650 scarves and hats for the homeless and near homeless every year

Support for St. Vincent de Paul

Serves over 1,000 families

Bereavement Group

Average of 15 - 25 people per month attend meetings

The Gathering Place

Serves 30 plus people per month

Rice Bowls (Catholic Relief Services' Lenten Program)

Raised \$4525.40 last year

Support for Spring Branch Food Pantry

Over 600 Meals in a Bag were donated (55 out of 138 of their volunteers are St. Cecilia Parishioners)

Support for MAM

In one weekend, we collected over 100 plastic grocery bags of toiletries to fill MAM's needs

Our back to school supplies drive was a huge success. Parishioners donated to MAM through us. We received a letter from MAM thanking us for the "very generous donations"

Many of our parishioners volunteer in the retail shop and teach classes

Facts & Figures

4,200	Number of Registered Households
21	RCIA New Catholics
199	First Communion & Reconciliation
198	Baptisms
11	Adult Confirmations
170	Teen Confirmations
23	Weddings
60	Funeral/Memorial Masses
339	Life Teen Participants
154	EDGE Participants
60	ARISE
113	CCE Participants Spanish
231	CCE Participants English
43	Mothers Served - Gabriel Project
77	Attended ACTS Retreats
80	Visits Homebound Ministry
582	St. Cecilia Catholic School Students

Participants in our Programs

75	Leadership Training
500	Missions
350	Parent Education
200	Peace & Justice
75	Personal Growth
300	Prayer/ Spirituality
20	Respect Life
380	Scripture Study
150	Senior Adult Programs
200	Theology
55	Young Adult





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