

July 17, 2022

Dear Parishioners,

I would like to thank each and every one of you for such a warm welcome to the parish! It is an honor to be here and to serve as your pastor. You have made this transition so smooth and joy filled. Thank you for being a part of this strong community of faith!

The purpose of this letter and insert is to help keep everyone updated on exciting things happening in the parish. The first piece of "business" is the financial statement from 2021-22 on the other side of this letter. We stayed current on all of our expenses and even managed to pay down over \$69,000 of our debt to the Diocese. At the last Finance Council meeting, we passed a balanced budget for the 2022-23 fiscal year.

When I came on board to the parish, I was eager to see some exciting projects beginning and more coming down the pipeline. Immediately when walking in the front doors of the church, I was met with one of those projects. The vestibule project has been progressing very well with Jesse Cole from JMC Construction doing some sharp looking work. A big change of plans came with the flooring. The original plan was to place vinyl plank floor down in the vestibule. To our surprise, the original and matching floor to the church was still intact and, with hard work, was able to be restored! I hope this project helps each person who walks through our doors know that they are welcome and at home with us. A big "thank you" goes out to the CCW who paid for the renovation!

While improving the inside of our beautiful church's entrance, the opportunity to do the front outside concrete work has come to fruition! It is my understanding that this concrete project goes back many years (I found files for it back to 2018). I am excited to announce that the project is under contract with Johnco Construction INC and they plan to begin in the next few weeks. Once this work begins, the front entrance to the church will be closed for 3 weeks. During the construction, we will use the west side entrance.

While many donations for the front concrete work have already been secured, the project is still \$14,500 underfunded. Please join me in giving a donation specific to this project to help us fund it the rest of the way. Pray for good weather and a smooth construction period. With new concrete and a remodeled vestibule, the front of our church can be as welcoming as our community inside!

A great team has been hard at work on our next parish pictorial directory. If you have not yet turned in a picture, please do so. If you know of a parishioner who may not have been around the parish for a while, please invite them to participate in our directory and community. Personally, the pictorial directory is one of the best tools for a priest when trying to get to know a parish.

Lastly, we will welcome Bishop Paprocki to the parish on August 28<sup>th</sup> for the 9am Mass. At this Mass, Bishop Paprocki will officially "install" me as your pastor. This is also the opening Mass for the school year and will be a great day of celebration for our parish. Please plan to attend the 9am Mass that weekend to welcome Bishop Paprocki and celebrate our community.

The Lord is doing some exciting things here at St. Louis. I am honored to be here witnessing it with all of you. Know that I am grateful and praying for you and please pray for me!

Peace,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Fr. Michael Meinhart". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of "Fr.", "Michael", and "Meinhart" being capitalized and prominent.

Fr. Michael Meinhart

**St. Louis Church and School**  
**Annual Financial Report**  
**July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022**

<b>St. Louis Church (Church, Rectory, Church Office)</b>			
<u>INCOME</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>EXPENSES</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Sunday & Holy Day Offerings	\$ 229,962	Clergy	\$ 59,366
Parish Organization Income	47,897	Full & Part Time Staff	39,210
Other Income	11,501	Parish Community Tithe/ACSA	23,306
Concrete & Other Donations	9,330	Utilities	19,041
Bequests & Memorials	4,595	Insurance (Property & Liability)	15,892
Offerings for Baptisms, Weddings, & Funerals	1,500	Employee Benefits	12,270
Church Total Income	\$ 304,785	Altar & Ministry Supplies	7,961
		Repairs & Maintenance	6,419
		Other Expenses	5,372
		Contractual Services	5,123
		Charitable Contributions	3,805
		Office Supplies	1,940
		Church Total Expenses	\$ 199,705
		Church Balance	\$ 105,080

<b>St. Louis School (Pre-K through 8th Grade, School Office)</b>			
<u>INCOME</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>EXPENSES</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Annual School Fund & Adopt-A-Class	\$ 362,479	Faculty & Staff	\$ 439,952
Tuition	138,551	Employee Benefits	123,167
Fundraisers	41,497	Books & Computer Supplies	30,292
Basketball Court/Asphalt & other	26,235	Equipment & Furniture (Van & other)	28,386
Other Donations & Income	13,056	Repairs & Maintenance (Asphalt & Other)	27,963
Parish/School Organization Income	11,358	Utilities	20,257
Registration & Supply Fees	10,675	Transportation Expense - School Van	13,196
Bequest	10,000	Office & Classroom Supplies	12,080
Interest Income from Foundation	7,103	Insurance (Property/Liability & Auto)	9,811
School Total Income	\$ 620,954	Other Expenses	8,347
		Contractual Services	3,777
		Maintenance Supplies	3,239
		Marketing & Advertising	2,560
		School Total Expenses	\$ 723,027
		School Balance (Parish Subsidy)	\$ (102,073)
		Total Parish Balance (Church & School)	\$ 3,007

<b>Debt Due to Diocese *</b>	
Amount owed to Diocese as of July 1, 2021	\$ 303,475
New Diocesan Invoices received from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022	98,521
Previous balance plus invoices received during the fiscal year	401,996
Amount Paid to Diocese from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022	167,701
Amount owed to Diocese as of June 30, 2022	\$ 234,295
* Property/ Liability Insurance, Priests' Health Insurance, Worker's Compensation, ACSA, Pension, and CT.	