



## *St. Mary of the Assumption*

### *2024 ~ 2025 Annual Parish Report*

*Fr. Wayne L. Belschner, Pastor*

*Fr. Dominic Huan Ngo, Parochial Vicar*

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Once again, the Parish Finance Council has prepared our *Annual Parish Report*, which we present to the Parish Family. This report is for the Fiscal Year 2024-2025. St. Mary's continues to serve the needs of all parishioners whether those needs are spiritual, physical, educational, and/or social.

One such program to highlight is the new prayer ministry called the St. Monica Hour. A group of faithful parishioners gather every Monday evening from 6:00 to 7:00 pm in the Perpetual Adoration Chapel. They pray for those who have strayed from the faith. St. Monica prayed for decades for the conversion and reversion of several family members. After decades of prayer, her husband and mother-in-law converted to the Catholic faith and her son returned to faith and became a great saint ~ St. Augustine. Names are collected on a weekly bases and kept confidential. These names then are lifted up in prayer. Several of the names on the list have been removed because those prayed for have returned to the faith! Great fruit is coming from the prayer of this St. Monica Holy Hour.

With the generous support of the parishioners, the parish has been able to operate from a sound fiscal base. This fiscal year we posted a surplus of \$143,136. Please know of our sincere gratitude and love for all who have supported the parish both financially and spiritually in this past fiscal year and previous ones.

I pray that what we do together provides a strong foundation for the future. Be assured of my prayers for you and kindly remember the staff and me in your prayers.

With warmest best wishes, I remain

Sincerely Yours in Christ,

(Rev.) Wayne L. Belschner  
Pastor

## *St. Mary of the Assumption*

### **Mass Schedule**

Saturday 4:00pm

Sunday 7:00am, 9:00am ~ Family Mass, 11:00am, &  
5:00pm ~ LifeTeen Liturgy

Weekdays (Monday - Friday) 7:00am & 12:10 p.m.  
Tuesday and Thursdays an additional Mass at 7:00pm  
Saturdays 8:00am

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### **Confession Schedule**

Tuesday 11:00am - 12:00pm (Church)

Tuesday 3:00 - 4:00pm (Church)

Friday 3:00 - 4:00pm (Church)

Friday 6:00 - 7:00pm (Church)

Saturday 2:30 – 3:45pm (Church)

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### **Online Giving**

Now is a great time to sign up for “WeShare” our online giving program! Please consider signing up for online giving so that we can continue to meet our financial needs; especially, during vacation time and summer months. “WeShare” is very user-friendly, and donating is simple, safe, and secure. With “WeShare” you can set up a recurring transaction using your checking, savings, or credit card account. Plus, you can decide how much to give to any collection and make changes any time of day or night. If you would like to enroll in Online Giving please see below:

1. Visit [www.stmarysdedham.com](http://www.stmarysdedham.com)
2. Go to the “Financial Support” tab, and
3. Click on the “Online Giving” button
4. Then follow the directions.

Thank You!

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*Please take an opportunity to visit the parish website, which is updated daily, where you will see such items as the Minutes from the recent Parish Pastoral Council and the Parish Finance Council meetings. Also, the website contains upcoming events hosted by the parish as well as other information relating to our life of faith together.*

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## *A Sacramental Journey*

Baptisms	86 children and 2 adults were baptized
First Holy Communions	55 children and 7 adults received their First Holy Communion
Confirmations	41 8 <sup>th</sup> Graders, 109 young men & women and 17 adult men and women confirmed
Holy Matrimony	16 couples married
Funerals	132 Funeral Masses and services

## *A Pastoral Care Glance at St. Mary's Ministries*

<p><i>Adult Altar Servers for Funerals</i>  <i>Adult Choir</i>  <i>Adult Faith Formation</i>  <i>All Abilities Rosary Group {Seeing Christ in Others}</i>  <i>Bible Studies</i>  <i>Book Club</i>  <i>Men's Club</i>  <i>Women's Group</i>  <i>Charismatic Prayer Group</i>  <i>Christmas Giving Tree</i>  <i>Children's Choir</i>  <i>Connected In Christ (40-65ish year old)</i>  <i>Junior High Choir</i>  <i>Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration</i>  <i>Exercise Classes for Seniors</i>  <i>Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist</i>  <i>Homebound Care</i>  <i>Finance Council</i>  <i>First Saturday Devotions</i>  <i>Greeters at Mass</i>  <i>Kiss of Mercy Ministry</i>  <i>Knights of Columbus Dedham Council</i>  <i>Lectors</i>  <i>Young Adult Rosary Group</i>  <i>Legion of Mary</i></p>	<p><i>Life Teen Program 27<sup>th</sup> Anniversary</i>  <i>Mother's Club</i>  <i>New Parishioners Welcome</i>  <i>Parish Council</i>  <i>Prayer Ministry ~ John 10:10</i>  <i>Pro-Life Activities</i>  <i>RCIA ~ Adult Sacramental Program</i>  <i>Religious Education (Grades K-5)</i>  <i>EDGE Middle School Religious Education</i>  <i>ROC ~ High School Confirmation Program</i>  <i>Special Education for Religious Education</i>  <i>St. Martha's Guild</i>  <i>Senior Luncheon</i>  <i>Social Committee</i>  <i>Social Justice Committee</i>  <i>St. Mary's Prayer Line</i>  <i>Rosary Groups</i>  <i>Saint Vincent de Paul Society</i>  <i>See Christ In Others Ministry for those with Special Needs</i>  <i>Sunday Offertory Collection Counters</i>  <i>Ushers for Masses</i>  <i>Youth Altar Servers</i>  <i>Young Adult Homeless Ministry</i>  <i>Newly Married &amp; Young Families</i></p>
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### **Current Finance Council Members:**

Fr. Wayne L. Belschner, Pastor  
Fr. Dominic Huan Ngo, Curate  
Deacon Kelley McCormick, Permanent Deacon  
Stephen Gentile, Chair  
Rich Killgoar  
Mike Lembo, Vice Chair  
Tom Polito  
Steve Riley  
Denis Teehan

Once again, we would like to inform you that all Parish Finance Council Minutes and Budgets are posted online. The Parish Finance Council Minutes are located in the “About Us” tab under the section marked “Finance Council.” All budgets for the parish are located in the “Financial Support” tab. Please know that we take seriously the stewardship of your donations and are committed to financial transparency.

Through the generosity of our parishioners, we were able to undertake several important projects this past fiscal year, as well as make payments towards the parish debt.

#### **The Parish Debt stands at \$682,428**

With a balance reduction plan in place, the parish has been paying down the debt. We are on track to have the debt paid off on schedule. The loan reduction payment plan schedule is as follows:

1. From 2017 – 2019, the parish paid \$3,000 a month.
2. From 2019 – 2025, the parish will pay \$4,000 a month.
3. From 2025 – 2037, the parish will pay \$5,674 a month.
4. Final installment will be paid on September 15, 2037.

This past fiscal year, we completed the following:

1. Church Air-Conditioning Project:	\$145,000
2. Repair and Repaint heating pipes in Mary Hall:	\$16,422
3. Pointing, painting & weatherproofing rectory exterior:	\$47,000



**Actual for the period July 1 2023 to June 30, 2024**

**Budget for the period July1, 2024 to June 30, 2025**

**ST MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION PARISH**

**Actual to Budget**

**Actual for the period July 1 2024 to June 30, 2025**

**Budget for the period July1, 2024 to June 30, 2025**

Fiscal 2024/2025

Fiscal 2023 / 2024

	BUDGET	ACTUAL
<b>INCOME:</b>		
OFFERTORY	735,000.00	728,377.00
CANDLES & FLOWERS	35,000.00	45,542.00
GRAND ANNUAL	125,000.00	101,984.00
SACRAMENTAL OFFERINGS	60,000.00	30,504.00
GIFTS AND BEQUEST and DONATIONS	113,000.00	302,970.00
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION	30,000.00	22,450.00
INTEREST / DIVIDEND INCOME	250.00	410.00
RENTAL INCOME	7,200.00	28,991.00
FUNDRAISING / REIMBURSEMENTS	130,000.00	132,741.00
YOUTH MINISTRY		10,592.00
TOTAL INCOME	1,235,450	1,404,561
<b>EXPENSES:</b>		
LAY SALARIES	340,000.00	369,032.00
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	90,000.00	98,334.00
CLERGY HEALTH INSURANCE	45,000.00	43,194.00
STIPENDS - PARISH PRIESTS	56,000.00	53,893.00
PROCESSING FEES	9,500.00	6,000.00
OFFICE SUPPLIES & EXPENSE	34,800.00	21,081.00
TELEPHONE / INTERNET	13,000.00	11,183.00
BOOKS & PAMPHLETS	10,000.00	5,721.00
EQUIPMENT RENTAL	3,500.00	2,365.00
CHURCH ALTAR SUPPLIES	20,000.00	11,831.00
FOOD RECTORY	25,000.00	23,329.00
UTILITIES	20,000.00	17,076.00
HEAT & HEAT REPAIRS	35,000.00	38,578.00
WATER & SEWER	15,000.00	18,888.00
PROPERTY INSURANCE	70,000.00	69,830.00
MAINTENANCE - SUPPLIES	2,500.00	5,931.00
MAINTENANCE - GROUNDS	26,000.00	26,602.00
MAINTENANCE - BUILDINGS	30,000.00	23,508.00
VEHICLE FUEL & MAINTENANCE & INSURANCE	3,800.00	3,652.00
PASTORAL / LITURGICAL	68,000.00	22,017.00
LIFETIME ACTIVITIES	30,000.00	17,765.00
RELIGIOUS ED EXPENSES	9,000.00	6,478.00
ACQUISITION OF FURNITURE & EQUIPMENT	3,500.00	-
BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS	150,000.00	255,678.00
INTEREST ON REVOLVING LOAN	30,000.00	27,738.00
CENTRAL TITHE & CATHOLIC APPEAL	81,720.00	81,721.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	1,221,320	1,261,425
NET INCOME OR (LOSS)	14,130	143,136

**ST MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION CEMETERY**

**Actual to Budget**

**Actual for the period July 1 2024 to June 30, 2025**

**Budget for the period July1, 2024 to June 30, 2025**

	<b>Fiscal 2024/2025 BUDGET</b>	<b>Fiscal 2024/ 2025 ACTUAL</b>
<b>Income:</b>		
Sale of Lots	\$ 5,000	\$6,000
Openings / Closings	\$10,000	\$20,950
Perpetual Care Distributions	\$3,600	\$4,193
Bank Interest	\$5	\$3
Foundations	<u>\$1,500</u>	<u>\$1,400</u>
 Total Income	 <u>\$20,105</u>	 <u>\$32,546</u>
 <b>Expenses:</b>		
Utilities- Water	\$750	\$7,128
Maintenance of Grounds	\$7,500	\$22,595
Openings / Closings	\$7,500	\$12,750
Foundations	\$1,000	\$2,000
Perpetual care	<u>\$500</u>	
 Total Expenses	 <u>\$16,750</u>	 <u>\$44,973</u>
 Net Income / (loss)	 <u>\$3,355</u>	 <u>\$</u> <u>-(12,427)</u>

**ST MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION PARISH**

**Budget**

**Capital Expenditures**

**Budget for the period**

**July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026**

CARILLON	
BELLS	\$ 20,000.00
PAVING	\$ 10,000.00
PEWS AND KNEELERS	\$100,000.00 (A)
Total Capital Improvements	<u>\$130,000.00</u>

(A) Funding to be done during the next two years.

**St. Mary of the Assumption Parish  
Cash Balances at 6/30/2025**

**Parish Accounts: 6/30/2025**

Operating Account Bank of Canton	\$31,128.00
EFT Account Bank of Canton	\$47,742.00
Lifeteen Account Bank of Canton	\$770.00

**Cemetery Accounts 6/30/25**

Cemetery Operating Account Bank of Canton	\$7,202.00
RCAB Account PC Free Fund - Cemetery	\$17,626.00
RCAB Account PC Parish - Cemetery	\$ 90,600.00

**Parish Loan due to Archdiocese -**

6/30/2025	\$ 682,428.00
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