



St. Peter Catholic Church

The Jesuit Church in Charlotte's Center City

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Dear Friends in Christ,

Geoff Owen, our Finance Council Chair, and I thank you for your generous commitment of time, talent and treasure in support of St. Peter over the past year. We write to report on the parish's finances for the first half of our fiscal year.

From July thru December 2019, our total revenue is \$968,427. Through your generosity we continue to grow and build for the future. As evidenced by the 13% increase in year over year expenses related to Faith Formation and Ministry & Liturgy, our programs for youth and adults, as well as, our outreach programs in the community continue to receive the financial support they need.

Our church continues to be a vibrant parish. Weekend Mass attendance continues to grow. This past year, we had 89 Baptisms, 41 children received First Reconciliation and Communion, 57 received Confirmation, 23 adults went through RCIA and Adult Confirmation, and 77 couples received Marriage Preparation and Weddings.

Our Church building is widely recognized for its beauty, but it and the other aging buildings on our campus need constant attention. Through your generosity, and assisted by our Facilities Commission, we continue to maintain and renovate our physical plant.

This year, over 35% of you have made a written financial commitment to St. Peter for 2020 through the Stewardship of Treasure Campaign. We are grateful for those of you who took the extra step to make an explicit commitment to sharing God's gifts. We are pleased with the parish's use of the WeShare platform for online giving and events scheduling. Approximately 60% of our offertory donations are now received from e-Giving.

God has blessed our parish abundantly in the past year. We look forward to responding wholeheartedly to the blessings that await us in the year ahead. We depend on each other for regular presence at Sunday Mass, participation in ministries, and generous financial support. May our lives be full of gratitude and may our gratitude bear fruit in service of each other and all in need.

Sincerely in Christ,

Fr. Jim Shea, S.J.

Pastor

Geoff Owen

Finance Council Chair