



February 2023

Fellow Parishioners,

I hope you are doing well and staying warm. I am sure you are as ready for the warmer weather as much as I am. As we begin the new year, it is a great time to reflect on the positive areas of our parish community and where we need to grow to continue our stability.

From a financial standpoint, the past fiscal year finished in the “positive column” regarding parish accounts. A major reason for this was once again receiving Employee Retention credit payments (ERC) for our parish and school. This was an important part of our financial recovery to help cover the operational cost of both the parish and school.

While we have been able to return to normal masses, we have noticed that our weekly attendance has been down. This has led to a decline in our weekly contributions both collected in-person and online. While this trend is similar with many parishes around the Diocese, it still raises concerns as this has always been the main source of Parish income for the church. We thank all of those who have provided support in this area over the past year.

Although down from 2021, the annual parish Summerfest still brought in around \$70,000. We cannot thank all those who make this great event possible enough for all their hard work. I cannot thank you enough for putting on such a great parish community event.

Our school continues to be such a special part of our parish family. There is nothing better than walking through the school and seeing all those smiling faces! Listening to their voices sing at our weekly mass is always a high point of the week for myself! We are blessed to have such wonderful teachers and staff guiding and developing our students. I thank you with my whole heart!

As we continue to move through 2023, I ask you to help “welcome back” and encourage your fellow parishioners that may have not returned to the parish in recent months to join us in celebration again. We must help to remind and renew the love and pride we have felt for our parish community that has made us what we are today. We must always be growing in a prosperous way both spiritually and of course financially. I thank you for making our St. John Vianney parish community a true family. May God bless you and keep you safe!

Statistics for 21-22

Baptisms	45
First Reconciliations	40
First Communion	49
Confirmations	46
RCIA	3
Weddings	9
Funerals	35

Sincerely in Christ,

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