

St. Theresa of Avila Church

Annual Report to the Parish

July 2017-June 2018

*Occupy yourself with my interest,
and I will occupy myself with
yours.....*

*Our Lord's words to
St. Theresa of Avila*

OCTOBER 2018



Receipts & Expenses

Receipts

General Collections	831,750
Building & Development	79,240
Special Donations	39,226
Religious Education Tuition	9,629
Sacramental Fees/Stipends	7,447
Community Services	63,775
Savings withdrawals	169,706
Agency Collections	41,339
Other Receipts	73,359

Total Receipts **1,315,471**

Expenses

Salaries & Benefits	524,848
Church Operations	106,553
Maintenance/Utilities	187,957
Diocesan Assessment	186,787
Community Services	68,717
Religious Education	28,472
Loans & Construction	129,897
Other expenses	121,816

Total Expenses **1,355,047**

Total Net **(39,576)**

Our Life in the Spirit

Registered households: 1715

Estimated unregistered households: 100

Total number of parishioners: 4496

Baptisms: 37

Professions of Faith: 6

First Eucharist recipients: 29

Confirmations: 42

Marriages: 11

Funerals: 32

Anointing of the Sick: 100

“If I therefore, the master and teacher, have washed your feet, you ought to wash one another’s feet. I have given you a model to follow, so that as I have done for you, you should also do.” John 13:14-15

Elementary PSR Students: 92

High School PSR Students: 90

Homebound parishioners: 30

Youth Group Members: 15

Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy Eucharist: 70

Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy Eucharist for Homebound: 15

Lectors: 33

Altar Servers: 22

Ushers: 31

Bereavement Meal team: 12

Volunteers in Food Pantry: 35

VBS Volunteers: 15

Parish Transformation

The life of St. Theresa of Avila goes way beyond a list of numbers. There are many things that went on in our parish in the past fiscal year that greatly enhances our rich parish life here at St. Theresa.

In July and August of 2017, we changed all of the lights in church to the new, more efficient LED lighting. This will save us thousands of dollars over what it used to cost to replace the old lights.

Then in February and March of 2018, we completed extensive repairs on the roof over the garage and outdoor restroom; as well as accomplished a full renovation on the outdoor restrooms.



The latter part of the fiscal year saw the beginnings of the full renovation of the Convent into the brand new Religious Education Center. We also broke ground on our beautiful new Rosary Garden.

Sacred Heart Cemetery at Cornerview saw big changes as well when we added a new wrought iron fence along the front of the property. This was a much sought after and anticipated change to the cemetery that will help to protect the property from the street side.

We also purchased a brand new organ for our music program. This organ is state of the art and more advanced than our other equipment. A very generous parishioner donated the cost of this organ, much to the immense gratitude of the congregation of St. Theresa of Avila.

Building the Kingdom of God

Youth Group Activities

- Steubenville South Youth Conference in Pineville, LA
- All Saints Celebration
- Easter Egg Hunt
- Christmas Caroling
- Abbey Youth Fest in Covington, LA
- Game nights
- Movie nights
- Respect for Life March
- Candelight Rosary to honor Respect for Life initiatives
- Blessing of the Pets
- Lead the Divine Mercy Chaplet every Sunday during Lent

Community Services Outreach

- 1,188 bags of food distributed
- 4 people received fuel assistance
- 11 people received temporary housing assistance
- 60 people received utility assistance
- 1 person received prescription assistance
- 150 Thanksgiving baskets were distributed
- 150 Christmas baskets were distributed
- 150 Easter baskets were distributed
- Holy Eucharist was distributed to 35 homebound parishioners
- 125 recipients of Angel tree Christmas gift giving