Dear Friends,

On Pentecost this past year, we received the new Archdiocese Pastoral Plan: *Knowing Jesus Christ, Embracing His Mission*. Since then, we’ve been praying with the plan, discerning how Jesus is sending us on mission today, and, at the encouragement of Archbishop Etienne, were “on retreat” as a parish this summer.

Rather than going away on retreat all summer, we instead sought ways to incorporate elements of a retreat into our daily life. Namely, through doing three things (TPG):

- **Time**: intentionally setting aside time each day (20 minutes)
- **Place**: to get away from activities and distractions of ordinary life (going to church or a prayer space at home)
- **God**: for reprioritizing our relationship with God

I’d like to share with you a fruit from my summer retreat. While on retreat, I heard Jesus asking me to teach more. As a priest, teaching the faith is one of the primary missions that Jesus sends me on, through homilies, letters, pastoral counseling, etc. But, since I arrived at MQP, I haven’t made time for regular dedicated teaching of the faith—which I apologize for. I can see reasons why I haven’t—namely, as mentioned above, the activities and distractions of ordinary life (the challenges of transitioning to a new role at a new parish, followed by dealing with the pandemic, etc.). Being on retreat this summer allowed me to get away from the distractions, so that I could hear more clearly the mission Jesus is calling me to as the pastoral leader of MQP.

As a result, one of the ways I’m responding to Jesus’ mission is a new monthly series called *Thursday Gatherings with Father Chad*. The purpose of these gatherings is to offer formation talks to encourage a deeper understanding and experience of our faith. Following the example of the first Christians, we will gather together to worship, learn from, and be strengthened by the Holy Spirit (“...they were all in one place together” (Acts 2:1)). The first three *Gatherings* are at 6:45 p.m. on: Nov 4, Dec 16, Jan 6. Please join us in the church or via livestream!

As you read through this *MQP Annual Report*, you’ll find examples of how the mission that Jesus calls us to as a parish has been lived out in the past year through: ministries, faith formation, sacraments, outreach, and financials. To continue fulfilling Jesus’ mission for us as a parish, it’s essential for each one of us to keep practicing the daily retreat principles of TPG. There is no shortcut and there is no other way to know Jesus and hear His mission other than to spend time listening to Him.

I ask you to please keep praying for the ongoing ministries of MQP—and I thank you for your generous support of these ministries in so many ways (time, labor, financial, donating supplies, etc.). In particular, I thank you for your prayers and support for two new ministries the Lord has brought to MQP this fall, which you can read more about in this *Report*: Catechisis of the Good Shepherd and Family Faith Formation. Both of these ministries—along with Youth Ministry and Joyful Discovery Preschool—are central to the defined mission of every parish: teaching the faith to children and supporting families in prayer and Christian life.

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**MQP STATS 2020-2021**

- Registered Households: 1,804
- Parish Members: 5,863
- Parish Members In Parish Ministries: 841
- Liturgical Ministers: 270
- Music Ministers: 36
- Children in Sunday Pre-School - K: 8
- Children in 1-5 Faith Formation Classes: 74
- Teens in Middle School & High School: 42
- Faith Formation Catechists & Core Team Members: 5
- Baptisms: 22
- Professions of Faith: 1
- First Eucharist: 54
- Confirmations: 73
- Marriages: 10
- Funerals & Memorials: 19
WELCOME, MARIA!

Thank you so much for the warm welcome! I am excited to share the gift of the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd with this parish community. It has been a blessing to serve at Holy Family Parish in Kirkland for five years with their dedicated staff and volunteers.

By God’s providence, I was raised in a devout Catholic home with Sunday Mass as a non-negotiable. I attended Catholic schools through high school. After the death of St. John Paul II, I was driven to listen more closely to God’s voice and actively discern my vocation in the Church and the world. My work in the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd was set afire in 2011 at the men’s shelter named Queen of Peace run by Mother Teresa’s order in the South Bronx. Sr. ThereseLina M.C. (who received formation in CGS) was presenting the Parable of the Good Shepherd to the men staying there. With childlike confidence, we pondered God’s word together. It was my first introduction to this work. I began my Level I formation in CGS in 2014, taking ongoing courses ever since. I am looking forward to building an atrium community here at Mary, Queen of Peace.

— Maria Muscado, Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

WELCOME, ADRIANA!

My name is Adriana Alvarez, and I’ve been a parishioner at MQP for more than 10 years. My husband and I live in Sammamish and we have been blessed with three beautiful children.

It was in 2013 that I went through a turning point in my spiritual life. It was a time where I really felt called to search for God and a desire to dig deeper into my faith. With the guidance of our Pastor, I started a Women’s Prayer group where we gathered to pray and also to study the Catechism. Pretty soon, I fell in love with the richness of our Catholic Church, its teachings and its Liturgy. Later, I felt called to become a catechist for children, so I got involved with the Faith Formation Program as well as Sacramental Preparation for children and teens. Meanwhile, I got certified as a CGS (Catechesis of the Good Shepherd) Catechist for Level 1.

It’s been almost a decade teaching the faith and serving our children at MQP. Now, the Lord is calling me to lead this ministry and to Coordinate the Family Faith Formation and Sacramental Preparation Programs. I feel very blessed and excited to be part of the faith journey of so many families and I look forward to meeting you.

— Adriana Alvarez, Children, Families & Sacramental Preparation

PARISH OUTREACH

As a parish, a great deal of our efforts and monetary gifts are directed to helping others. In fiscal year 2020-21 parishioners contributed $122,596 to the following: St. Vincent de Paul Conference, Rice Bowl, Catholic Home Missions, Catholic Relief Services, The Holy Land, Peter’s Pence, Catholic Campaign for Human Development, Catholic Community Services, Buckets of Compassion and Tent City. We provide gifts to those in need through our “Giving Tree” and support school children through our “Adopt a Back Pack” program.

In addition, the parish shares 5% of our Stewardship of Treasure, and dedicated the fund—a need portion of our auction proceeds, $30,000, to our local St. Vincent de Paul. The $54,7570 reflected on our income statement as Human Concerns Outreach/Social Justice was distributed by our Human Concerns Charitable Giving Committee to many organizations including:

- Hopelink
- Tent City IV
- The New Bethlehem Day Center
- Providence Marionwood Foundation
- NPH (Nuestros Pequeños Hermanos)
- Mary's Place
- Eastside Friends of Seniors
- Eastside Baby Corner
- Issaquah Food Bank
- CCS-Prepares
- Catholic Relief Services
## ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

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**Total Receipts:** $1,931,159 **Total Disbursements:** $2,159,946

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**Total Operating Surplus (Deficit): ($228,787) * $466,970 $1,096 **

*Explanation of Operating Deficit: Facilities Improvements funded through our Maintenance & Savings Reserves plus an extension of a Line of Credit with the Archdiocese. Remaining deficit pending anticipated forgiveness of PPP Loan.

**PPP Loan forgiven and recognized as revenue.

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STAFF, FACILITIES & FINANCE

The Facility Commission and Finance Council annually review the adequacy of the parish maintenance reserve to assure we have the necessary resources to keep our facility in good condition. Parish Staff consists of nine full-time and 13 part-time positions, 9 of which are preschool teachers. The Archdiocese of Seattle salary scales are used and clergy and staff salaries and benefits are reflected in the ministry and program totals listed in the Financial Report.

Parish Revenue 2020-2021

- MQP Preschool: 9%
- Other Income: 10%
- Annual Catholic Appeal Rebate: 4%
- Faith Formation Program Fees: 2%
- Stewardship of Treasure & Holy Days: 75%

Parish Expenditures 2020-2021

- Pastoral Expense: 9%
- Faith Formation Programs/Cultural Ministries: 17%
- Liturgies: 13%
- Archdiocesan Assessments: 8%
- Catholic Schools Subsidies: 2%
- MQP Preschool: 6%
- Communications/Social Outreach: 2%
- Parish Social: 1%
- Parish Administration: 12%
- Human Concerns/Social Justice: 3%
- Facility Maint, Utilities, Insurance & Construction: 23%
- Stewardship/Engaged Church/Hospitality: 4%
- Parish Social:

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

Chair: Brian Foster
Members: Alia Abboud, Kim Christiansen, Robert Dootson, Wilfred James, Alan Zurawski
Priest Administrator: Father Chad Green
Parish Administrator: Rich Shively
The members of the Pastoral Care Ministry at Mary, Queen of Peace have, over the past twenty months, been through various phases and changes in their roles as ministers of Holy Eucharist. The one thing they have not done is given up in their commitment to bring Jesus to those not able to come to the church to receive the Body of Christ. Initially there was a hard stop imposed on any visits to anyone desiring to receive Holy Communion. This was so difficult for those whose only access to Eucharist was via the minister's visits to their homes or communities. Then we were permitted to schedule short visits with individuals; always wearing a mask, asking COVID screening questions, using sanitizer and social distancing. Though not ideal, this was better than not being able to carry Jesus to those who so very much wanted to receive Him. Just recently, we have learned that we can again serve in the facilities where the more vulnerable of our elderly parishioners reside. We are now looking forward to the day that we will again be able to enter the hospitals. In the meantime, we ask for your prayers for our ministry and those we serve. If you would like to join us, contact Karen Hauser, PA for Pastoral Care at karen.hauser@mqp.org to learn how to get involved.

~Karen Hauser, Pastoral Assistant for Pastoral Care
The Facilities Commission, Fr. Chad and I had hoped that heading into this winter the skylight in the church would have been replaced, ensuring a watertight church for the rainy season. Unfortunately, due to the extreme supply chain issues that we have experienced over the past six-eight months, skylight replacement will not happen until next spring. We will also be replacing the skylights over the two bell towers this coming year.

The good news is that the new roof appears to be working very well. The leaks that occurred in the church in the most recent, and intense rains, point to the skylight. As soon as things dry out a bit we will do some work to mitigate these leaks.

The rebates from the Annual Catholic Appeal and the Called to Serve as Christ Campaign will allow us to complete the project and to pay off most, if not all, of the loan for the roof repair. Most recently, we have also experienced, under the plaza, some new leaks in the Pope John XXIII Room. We will be contacting a Building Engineer to explore solutions.

I will keep the parish posted on the timeline for the skylight replacement.

~Rich Shively, Pastoral Assistant for Administration

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