

## Letter from the Pastor

Sept. 16, 2018

With pleasure, I present you with the Parish Financial Report for 2017-2018. You might think this is the least favorite part of my job, rather than preaching (which I love) or being with the school kids. But as we all work together through the year to produce a report like this, I get a feeling of pride and accomplishment. For the second year, we closed the year with a surplus, although smaller than last year. We had a one-time influx of school students which helped. We streamlined the faculty, and cut significant costs. Other things went up, including health care costs for teachers and parish office staff. Our offertory went down a few percentage points, a total of several thousand dollars. Parishioners are good at using various ways to give: the various funds listed on our Sunday envelopes. Online giving, and special gifts.

Starting this year, we support our parish children to have Catholic education through the All Saints Academy we're part of. We need to put similar funds into this as we have into our school in the past.

I hope to end this year, next June, in at least as good way as this year. Thank you for your generosity! Let's work together to fund our ministries and our worship.

*Rev. Thomas W. Wyrsh*

## 2017/2018 Annual Financial Report Key Points

- Drastically low school deficit was from a one-time influx from a closed school
- Offertory must be stabilized
- Special gifts—Year-end, Wills and Bequests, honorary gift for special occasions (with certificate supplied)
- Matching Gift program when available again.
- Academy membership for school will handle many fees and personnel fluctuations
- Continue making payments to Beyond Sunday
- Increase the support/purchase of the TWB (Together We're Better) Program