



*Saint Ann Parish*  
 2018 Stewardship Report  
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Dear Beloved Family of St. Ann,

Kindly receive this 2018 St. Ann Stewardship Report.

This report celebrates our parish life here at St. Ann. More than just numbers and statistics, it conveys a story of our parish and where we can improve. The grace of the sacraments, our commitment to provide Catholic education, our faith formation programs, our ministries, our volunteer opportunities, our outreach to the poor and the needy, and our responsible use of resources are a testimony of God's spirit at work in our midst.

Our mission at St. Ann is to do God's work. God's mission is far from complete. We are merely instruments of this mission. We are called to a continuous conversion into the person of Jesus. Hence, we need to continue to work on what we need to do to further God's mission in our midst.

We are in the process of finalizing our Parish Pastoral Plan after a long consultation with parishioners through listening sessions to solicit ideas about parish priorities. We have also formed a parish committee on the Drive to 75 Master Plan. It is my hope that by winter, a final Parish Pastoral Plan and Master Plan can be presented to the parish.

During this challenging time for Catholics, there is a greater need now more than ever to do God's work together through our parish. This asks for a more intentional participation on your part to live out the teachings of stewardship as a joyful sharing of time, talent, and treasure.

Join me in thanking the Lord for the good things He has done in our midst. May God's blessings be upon you and your loved ones.

In Christ,

Fr. Mel O. Portula, CICM  
 Pastor

**Mission Statement**

*We, the family of Saint Ann Parish, called to continual conversion to live as followers of Christ as found in the Gospels, commit ourselves to live our Catholic faith more fully in word, sacrament, and service.*



*We are...*

**1,790 Families**  
**4,028 Registered Parishioners**  
**132 New Families**

**Parish Staff Members**

Priests – 2                      Permanent Deacons – 1  
 Church Employees – 15      School Employees – 42

**Volunteer Leadership**

Pastoral Council – 8  
 Finance Council – 5  
 Liturgy Committee – 9

**Liturgical Ministry Participation**

Altar Servers- 36  
 Arts & Environment Volunteers – 32  
 Choir Members – 95  
 Eucharistic Ministers – 86  
 Lectors – 46  
 Hospitality Committee - 26  
 Ushers – English Masses - 23 (Spanish Masses – 10)

**Education & Faith Formation Program Participation**

Saint Ann School Students (PreK–8th) – 213  
 Faith Formation Students (K–8th) – 778  
 RCIA – 6  
 Nursery – 20 (avg. weekly)  
 Children's Liturgy – 70  
 Adult Religious Enrichment – 240 participants  
 Faith Formation Catechists & Volunteers – 93

## Ministry & Outreach Programs

Care for Our Common Home Ministry  
Advent Giving Tree  
AFAC Food Drive  
A-SPAN Collections  
Bagged Meals for the Homeless  
Bottles and Bottoms Drive  
Back to School Supplies Drive  
Box of Joy  
Blood Drive  
Hospice/Hospital Ministry  
Lenten Soup Suppers  
Make It a Home  
Meals on Wheels  
Refugee Services Support  
Slippers & Socks Drive  
St. Lucy Food Drive  
Sunrise Nursing Home

## Spiritual and Fellowship Programs

Catholic Daughters of the Americas  
Junior Catholic Daughters of the Americas  
Grupo de Oracion  
Legion of Mary - 7 /Legión de María  
Sunday Coffee & Doughnuts

## Youth Programs

CYO Sports  
Cub Scouts (50) & Boy Scouts (20)  
Girl Scouts (Daisy/Brownie/Junior & Cadettes)  
Invictus Youth Ministries (6-12th grade) – 94

Here are some highlights from the last year at St. Ann Parish.

We, the family of **Saint Ann Catholic School**, embrace and share the Gospel values of Jesus Christ and His Church by fostering a faith-filled community. We promote an educational environment where everyone is respected, everyone learns and everyone is encouraged to reflect the glory of God by contributing to the greater good of our world.

During the 2017-18 school year, the school community shared in the Church's mission of stewardship and care of God's people through prayer and works of mercy. Students, parents, faculty, and staff walked for **Borromeo Housing**, collected food for **Justice is Served**, and worked together in their Household groups for "**Operation Saint Nick**" to pack tube socks with daily necessities for Arlington citizens living in need. During Advent, students participated in *We Care Week*, a diocesan program to benefit **Catholic Charities** and their efforts to address the needs of people of all faiths within the Diocese. Our middle school service group, *Caritas*, participated in a variety of service projects throughout the year. They gleaned apples and turnips which were donated to **Arlington Food Assistance Center (AFAC)**, put together 24 care packages for USO's "**Pack for Troops**," made baby blankets for **Hope House**, visited **St. Martin de Porres Senior Center** to spend time with the senior citizens, collected books for **Virginia Hospital Center's Pediatric Center** and helped with the Saint Ann Community Garden, during the spring.

Our **Faith Formation Program** continues to grow as 93 volunteers and catechists serve almost 800 students with English and Spanish-language instruction in the Catholic faith.

The **Adult Religious Enrichment (ARE) Committee** has 12 active volunteers for the work of the Committee and sponsored two programs on the 500th anniversary of the Protestant reformation, including the "Catholic Church in the Philippines, a Church at the Margins", by Fr. Mel Portula, CICM and between April and June, 2018, the Committee sponsored four programs on the theme of For Everything There is a Season. These presentations addressed the topics of caring for others with information about Hospice services, having appropriate family legal documents, planning Catholic funerals, burials/cremation, and

downsizing one's possessions. An average of 45 persons attended these programs.

The **RCIA team** welcomed 6 members into full communion with the Church with the help of 5 volunteer catechists and Deacon Donovan.

Our **Nursery** and **Children's Liturgy** (both offered at the 9:00 & 11:00 am Masses) programs continue to grow and provide instruction to on average 20 & 70 children per week respectively.

The combined effort of the St. Ann's Faith Formation Programs resulted in the celebration of the following sacraments: 41 infant baptisms, 8 child baptisms, 146 first communions, 110 confirmations, 17 weddings, approximately 237 anointings and 38 funerals.

**Invictus Youth Ministries** with 21 adult volunteers and 94 registered participants endeavors to provide an environment where young people can come to have a real and substantive relationship with Jesus Christ. We work to facilitate this relationship with Jesus within a community of young people, where friendships are created and maintained based and founded in Christ. Invictus is about engaging young people at a most fundamental human level, our desire to belong and to be loved. It is through weekly meetings and occasional events and trips that Invictus hopes to provide our young people with this sense of belonging and a conviction that Christ loves them.

**St. Ann Arlington Federal Credit Union** is a federally insured and regulated financial institution, whose "members" come from our parish community. The credit union pools resources within our parish to take a more Christ-like approach to lending. We take the time to listen and respond to the needs of those amongst us who need a little help weathering life's difficulties. The credit union has 15 regular volunteers, including our completely volunteer Board of Directors. We current have 560 accounts totaling nearly \$4 million in shares and 84 loans outstanding totaling nearly \$2 million.

**Saint Ann Samaritan Fund** provided financial assistance to 146 individuals in need totaling \$ 14, 295; 6,449 pounds of food and \$720 were collected for the **Arlington Food Assistance Center (AFAC)**.

In response to our **Advent Giving Tree**, St. Ann parishioners donated more than \$20,000 in gift cards/checks and 431 new toys for our five recipient nonprofits: **Borromeo Housing, Doorways for Women and Families, HOPE in Northern VA, OAR, and Mother of Mercy Clinic**.

**Bottles and Bottoms Drive** collected \$6,492.49 with \$1,877.49 just in coins. 2,768 diapers and 62 packages of wipes were all collected for **HOPE in Northern Virginia**.

During the **St. Ann Refugee Donation Program** parishioners responded with great generosity to the collection effort supporting the Migration and Refugee Support (MRS) with the Office of Catholic Charities. Donations included over \$1,500 in gift cards and checks, 30 blankets, 36 towel sets, 18 sheet sets, 8 silverware sets, comforters, bedspreads, table cloths, kitchen towels, and dishes for children.

Over 50 volunteers of all ages support the **Arlington Street People's Assistance Network (A-SPAN)** by preparing **bagged meals** once a month, in the last year, 600 bagged meals were prepared and delivered to the local homeless, and 2-3 volunteers served meals at the shelter 12 times. Happily, we have had an increase in the number of elementary and high school age students in the last several years. In the **Make a Home** initiative \$6,896 worth of gift cards to **A-SPAN** for use by homeless to purchase supplies when moving into their first apartments.

Material contributions covering the year's needs of students and \$300 in cash were donated for our annual **School Supplies Drive**.

**St. Ann Church's Hospital Ministry** served over 9000 Catholic patients at **Virginia Hospital Center**. Our goal is to visit every Catholic every day to offer Communion and pray. The ministry currently has 27 lay ministers; 13 volunteers visited, prayed with and brought Holy Communion to hundreds of patients at **Capital Caring Hospice**. An average of 25 - 30 volunteers help support the liturgical service held for the residents at the **Sunrise Retirement Community** each Sunday at 1:30 pm.

**Catholic Daughters of the Americas** (26 members) with their movie showings collected and donated \$400 **Catholic Relief Services** and \$316 to the **National Center on Sexual Exploitation** among other material collections throughout the year.

**What a thriving and generous parish we have!**

## Statement of Income - Fiscal Years (FY) Ended June 30, 2018 and 2017 and FY19 Budget

Combined Actual			FY 2019 Budget		
FY 2017	FY 2018		Church	School	Total
		<b>OPERATING INCOME</b>			
1,491,708	1,525,754	Collections	1,535,000		1,535,000
18,550	17,152	Liturgical & Sacramental	15,000		15,000
11,449	17,696	Other Operating		20,000	20,000
1,482,173	1,489,932	Tuition		1,481,500	1,481,500
165,537	193,298	Student Services		197,000	197,000
131,818	125,400	Faith Formation & Youth Ministry	135,000		135,000
95,983	106,028	Fundraising		105,000	105,000
150,633	141,532	Other	127,000	15,000	142,000
3,547,851	3,616,792	Total	1,812,000	1,818,500	3,630,500
		<b>OPERATING EXPENSE</b>			
2,215,190	2,225,902	Salary & Benefits	815,000	1,606,000	2,421,000
272,590	243,515	Facilities	170,000	79,000	249,000
151,075	153,115	General Operating	81,200	78,000	159,200
42,497	51,471	Liturgical & Sacramental	45,000		45,000
113,290	128,299	School Instructional		120,000	120,000
120,837	141,560	Faith Formation & Youth Ministry	148,300		148,300
212,054	221,540	Other	195,000	22,400	217,400
3,127,533	3,165,402	Total	1,454,500	1,905,400	3,359,900
420,318	451,390	<b>NET OPERATING INCOME</b>	357,500	-86,900	270,600
66,169	64,349	Extraordinary Income	65,000	0	65,000
-305,494	-273,331	Capital Expense	-187,000	-41,000	-228,000
180,993	242,408	<b>NET INCOME</b>	235,500	-127,900	107,600
		School Support	-127,900	127,900	0
180,993	242,408	<b>INCOME AFTER SUPPORT</b>	107,600	0	107,600

### ***FY 2018 Highlights***

- Modest income growth and an active cost containment effort allowed for increased investment in ministries while also us to increase the parish reserves at year end.
- Our church raised over \$132,000 in National and Diocesan collections for: Catholic Charities; Catholic Relief Services; the Church's Campaign for Human Development; Aid to the Church in Latin America, Eastern Europe and Africa; support for various hurricane relief efforts, among other worthy causes.
- Major projects included 2 new flat roofs on the main school and middle school buildings (along with additional gutters); new technology and security upgrades; HVAC replacements; new fire extinguishers and improved signage on the Parish Campus.

**Offertory Report:**

Parishioners receiving envelopes: 1372  
 Parishioners using envelopes for Sunday Masses on a regular basis: 179  
 Parishioners contributing via Faith Direct: 398  
 Average weekly offering: \$39.00  
 Approximate Percentage of Regularly Contributing Households: 32%

Many people ask whether there is a standard for giving to the weekly collections. The following is a guide.

Saint Ann Parish Bulletin Periodic Donation Advisory				
Weekly Household Contribution Based on a Percentage of Family Income of				
Annual Household Income	4%	5%	6%	Tithing 10%
25,000	19	24	29	48
30,000	23	29	35	58
40,000	31	38	46	77
50,000	38	48	58	96
75,000	58	72	87	144
90,000	69	87	104	173
100,000	77	96	115	192
150,000	115	144	173	288
200,000	154	192	231	385

### ***Please Consider Our Pastoral and Financial Priorities for this Fiscal Year***


- **Evangelization and Faith Formation:** Relevant programs for faith formation for children/youth and adults and the increasing need for additional staff to support the expanding ministries. The parish's investment in Catholic Education continues to be a priority for St. Ann.
- **Ministries and Outreach:** Parish ongoing commitment to expand ministries and outreach to the poor and the vulnerable through charitable activities throughout the year. The St. Ann Samaritan Fund is subsidized by parish funds and parishioners' contributions for rent, utilities, and medical assistance. Your financial gifts for parish ministries and outreach are important.
- **Facility Maintenance and Capital Projects:** Maintenance of church and school facilities, HVAC, and roofs continue. The Drive to 75 Master Plan Committee is working on a master plan for facility improvement for the church and the school. Please be generous to the Property and Building Fund (yellow envelope and Faith Direct).

Included in this Annual Stewardship Report is the Household Offertory Card – Commitment of Treasure. May I request that you take the time with your family to pray for our parish and consider your continued financial support or consider increasing your contribution to the parish?

**Kindly mail a completed Commitment Card to St. Ann Parish** as a symbolic gesture of your commitment to materially and spiritually support St. Ann. The information you provide on this card will remain confidential. If you make a change to your weekly, monthly, or quarterly contribution, either through the regular envelope or *Faith Direct*, please consider Nov. 1 as the starting date.

May our good Lord, through the intercession of St. Ann, our patroness, bless you abundantly and keep you and your love ones under His protection.

In Christ,



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 Pastor