

**Saint Mary, Mother of God Parish**

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**Dear Parishioners,**

Thank you for taking the time to read our Parish Annual Report. It really is incredible to look back on the last year and see how our parish has come back to life after the COVID-19 pandemic. Our Mass attendance is rebounding and our outreach is revived!

If you, too, are in need of a revival, consider this a personal invitation to reunite with the very source of our strength and the summit of our faith. When you are ready, I welcome you to once again experience His Real Presence in the Holy Eucharist.

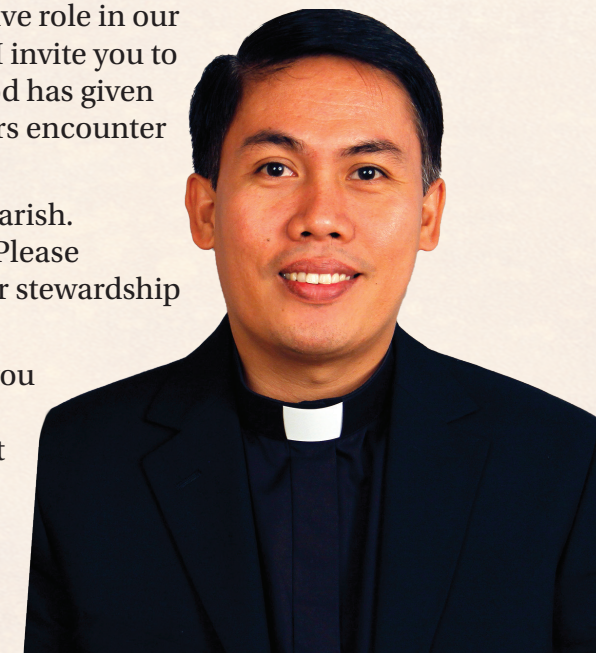
I know that many young and fallen-away Catholics are missing that covenant of love. Many do not feel connected, fulfilled and knowledgeable about their faith. Others struggle with understanding the mission of our Church.

You can help us change that! You can uplift our faith community! First, I ask you to pray the rosary and invite others to pray it with you. Also, consider taking an active role in our parish community. A ministry listing is included in this report. Finally, I invite you to attend Mass weekly and become a good steward by offering the gifts God has given you. Those gifts support our missions and ministries that will help others encounter Christ.

I want to sincerely thank you for all that you have already given to our parish. Remember, your contributions keep this parish vibrant and impactful. Please remember our parish this year, and prayerfully consider increasing your stewardship so we can bring the Eucharist to those who so desperately need it.

With this report, we take an opportunity each year to communicate to you about our ministries, outreach, capital improvements, finances and parish statistics. But I invite you to come see for yourself. We have a seat waiting for you!

*Yours in Christ,*  
**Father Ron**



Uplift Our  
**FAITH**  
Community

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Annual Report 2022**





# Sources of Hope:

The generosity of our parishioners helped to uplift our parish this year. The record-breaking 2022 Diocesan Lenten Appeal supported outreach to seniors, the needy in our community, and the sick and homebound. As the number of homeless rises in Western Pennsylvania, we will continue to need your support.

Thankfully, our parish and our Altar Rosary Society are once again able to fundraise. This year, our Lenten Fish Dinners were a great success. It was wonderful to see our parish family working together again in service to the community.

On June 12, we were blessed to have our very own Father Thomas Skamai celebrate his Thanksgiving Mass in our parish. He was ordained to the priesthood on May 14 for the Congregation of the Oratory of Saint Philip Neri in Pittsburgh. The last priest ordained in our parish was Father Fidelis Levri in 1967. He has been a member of Glenmary Mission since 1980. They are both blessings in our parish, and we are grateful for their response to the call of priestly service. They serve as an inspiration for us to be open to God’s calling by sharing our gifts and talents in our parish community.

We do have some future events on the calendar, so please consider participating:

**November 2022 – Angel Giving Tree in cooperation with Armstrong County Children and Youth, which fulfills the wishes of needy families in our community.**

**Dec. 4, 2022 – Christmas Cash Raffle will conclude as the winning tickets are drawn following the 11 a.m. Mass. Proceeds will benefit the upkeep and maintenance of our parish facilities.**

**December 2022 – Angel Memorial Tree, with ornaments that can be purchased and hung in memory or in honor of a loved one. This is done during the Advent season.**

**Jan. 1, 2023 – In celebration of the feast day of our parish patron, Mary Mother of God, we will have a parish family day to honor our Blessed Mother.**

**Jan. 8, 2023 – Epiphany play presented by our faith formation children after the 11 a.m. Mass. This will be a true celebration of the Light of Christ present in our families and in our world.**

I want to call your attention to the National Eucharistic Revival, a three-year initiative to show as many people as possible what wonders the True Presence of Jesus can do to heal the heart and soul. Look for more information about adoration and reconciliation opportunities locally to help confront the hardships that we face in everyday life. The National Eucharistic Revival is a powerful, uplifting way to rise to these challenges. As a way to involve our families, our Faith Formation program plans to offer an activity each month that will center on building family faith and on the Eucharist.

## Parish Financials

	2021-22	2020-21	2019-20
<b>Offertory</b>	<b>\$ 195,378</b>	<b>\$ 180,505</b>	<b>\$ 189,700</b>
<b>Other Ordinary Income</b> <i>(monthly collections, votive candles)</i>	<b>4,623</b>	<b>4,457</b>	<b>3,715</b>
<b>Extraordinary Income</b> <i>(bequests, donations, fundraising, interest, rental income)</i>	<b>29,302</b>	<b>27,213</b>	<b>20,376</b>
<b>Diocesan Lenten Appeal Refund</b>	<b>37,031</b>	<b>20,040</b>	<b>10,216</b>
<b>Other Non-Assessable Income</b> <i>(The Catholic Accent, sale of property, insurance reimbursements and PPP Loan)</i>	<b>9,355</b>	<b>24,856</b>	<b>41,025</b>
<b>Special Collections</b>	<b>35,985</b>	<b>24,247</b>	<b>13,069</b>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 311,674</b>	<b>\$ 281,318</b>	<b>\$ 278,101</b>
<b>Expenses</b>			
<i>Administration</i>	<i>\$ 60,949</i>	<i>\$ 57,838</i>	<i>\$ 75,546</i>
<i>Church</i>	<i>36,891</i>	<i>24,053</i>	<i>43,472</i>
<i>Rectory</i>	<i>2,490</i>	<i>3,418</i>	<i>8,005</i>
<i>Education and Ministry</i>	<i>13,718</i>	<i>12,720</i>	<i>12,877</i>
<i>General Expenses</i>	<i>77,005</i>	<i>77,053</i>	<i>93,478</i>
<i>Special Collections</i>	<i>35,950</i>	<i>23,583</i>	<i>12,158</i>
<i>Extraordinary Expenses</i>	<i>62,801</i>	<i>32,978</i>	<i>37,101</i>
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>289,804</b>	<b>231,643</b>	<b>282,637</b>
<b>Net Operating Income (Loss)</b>	<b>\$ 21,870</b>	<b>\$ 49,675</b>	<b>\$ (4,536)</b>

# Our Parish by the Numbers:



## Registered Households

2022: 312  
2021: 329  
2020: 333

## Current Single Member Households

77



## Baptisms

2022: 5  
2021: 5  
2020: 9

## Weddings

2022: 2  
2021: 0  
2020: 0



## Funerals

2022: 16  
2021: 21  
2020: 15



# Our Ministries:

- Catechists
- Altar Servers
- Adult Altar Servers
- Cantors
- Greeters
- Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
- Ministers to Sick and Homebound
- Lectors
- Children and Youth Lectors
- Adult Choir
- Ushers
- Ministers of Hospitality
- Prayer Chain
- Bereavement Ministry
- Altar Rosary Society
- Knitting Group
- Associates of Mary
- Art and Environment Ministry
- Outdoor Garden Ministry
- Parish Hall Events Ministry
- Good Samaritan Ministry

Volunteers in the various ministries of our parish serve an important role in the life and mission of our church. If you would like to learn more about the ministries listed below, please call the parish office at 724-783-7191 or approach any of our parish staff personnel for more details.

# Capital Improvements:

Your contributions to our parish help maintain the facility, making it the center of prayer in our community. Over the last two years, the following projects were accomplished: the church exterior was power washed; landscaping between the upper parking lot and Second Street was done; repair, sealing and line painting of the parking lots were completed; four new doors were installed in the basement and at the church side entrance; and one new air conditioning unit was installed and another was repaired. Plans are underway to repair the choir loft church window and its surrounding structures.



## Ways You Can Give



**BY MAIL:**  
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**IN PERSON:**  
Monday – Thursday – 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM  
and 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM



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