#### **Holy Trinity Parish**

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### **Dear Parishioners,**

The spiritual health and physical health of every member of our parish have been in my daily prayers as together we continue to face the ups and downs of the pandemic. Many of you, I know, have endured great pain and personal loss, not to mention the numerous concerns that have developed as the pandemic has imposed an ongoing struggle with uncertainty, fear and isolation in many people's lives. Still today, many are wondering what will come next.

I hope you have been comforted by our local and Diocesan outreach through streaming Masses, phone calls, special mailings and, in many parishes, special COVID-19 ministries like online prayer chains and other opportunities for prayer. There were also special collections to support mission work at home and around the world, food drives to help the hungry, volunteers who cleaned and sanitized our churches to protect our at-risk parishioners, and outreach coordinators who made a crucial connection with the elderly and homebound. These are just a few examples of the outpouring of love we saw in the name of Jesus Christ throughout the pandemic.

I want you to know that through it all, Holy Trinity has continued to nourish the seeds of faith that have been planted, seeking to care for the spiritual and material needs of our entire parish community. The good news in all of this is that the harvest has been bountiful! In fact, the support provided by you, the faithful, has been just remarkable.

As excited as I am about the impact of our outreach, I also realize that various other needs and continuing needs remain for us to meet in the coming days. Economic uncertainty and continued isolation mean the most vulnerable among us will need our help now more than ever.

Our missions and ministries cannot continue to meet that need without your help.

I want to thank you sincerely for all that you have given to our parish. Remember, your contributions keep this parish vibrant and enable us to have a positive impact, not only in the lives of our parishioners, but also on members of the greater Ligonier Valley community. Please remember your parish this year, and prayerfully consider increasing your stewardship of treasure so we can continue God's work.

Yours in Christ,

**Father Anthony J. Carbone** 

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## Flowers that Feed the Soul: Our Ministry Listing

- Altar Server
- Sacristan
- Choirs and Cantors
- Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
- Ushers and Ministers of Hospitality
- Parish Vocation Ministry
- Collection Counters
- Readers
- Catechists
- Leaders of the Word

- Greeters
- Ministers of Hospitality
- Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
- Parish Council and Finance Council
- Funeral Luncheon Committee
- Christian Mothers
- That Man Is You
- ENDOW Women's Ministry
- Community Service

# **Cultivate the Garden Within: Capital Improvements**



Your contributions to our parish help maintain the facility, making it the center of prayer in our community. Over the last three years, we had major repair work to the church's HVAC system completed; had some preliminary work done on the rose window and another window in the church; installed air conditioning in parts of the Education Building; and updated some of the electrical system in the Education Building in order to house the Ligonier Valley Food Pantry.

We also have a few projects planned for

the near future and the coming year. The rose window is in need of additional repairs, and we hope that the work will be in progress — or even completed — by the time you receive this communication. We are updating the lighting in the Education Building and preparing for new flooring in some of the rooms there.

In addition, the Education Building will be getting a new roof to keep the building in solid working order. We also are planning to work with a local landscaper to maintain the physical grounds of our beautiful parish.

Parish Financials	2020-21	2019-20	2018-19
Offertory	\$ 383,081	\$ 367,534	\$ 378,952
Other Ordinary Income (monthly collections, votive candles)	4,309	2,341	5,642
Extraordinary Income (bequests, donations, fundraising, interest, rental income)	26,556	87,498	77,570
Diocesan Lenten Appeal Refund	60,438	47,080	20,344
Other Non-Assessable Income (The Catholic Accent, sale of property, insurance reimbursements, and PPP Loan)	47,700	94,951	21,551
Special Collections	34,769	42,499	30,903
Total Income	\$ 556,853	\$ 641,903	\$ 534,962
Expenses			
Administration	\$ 80,474	\$ 72,346	\$ 99,161
Church	44,859	43,786	70,858
Rectory	10,655	15,920	14,540
Education and Ministry	84,138	111,118	115,075
General Expenses	172,936	160,683	148,673
Special Collections	34,769	42,499	30,903
Extraordinary Expenses	119,611	202,028	75,825
Total Expenditures	547,442	648,380	555,035
Net Operating Income (Loss)	\$ 9,411	\$ (6,477)	\$ (20,073)

### **Our Garden**





Single

Member

Households

260

Registered Households

2021: 683 2020: 730 2019: 698

### **Weathering COVID-19**

like the tilling of the soil, helping us to grow stronger.









Just as God has provided for you, you have provided for our parish. Your investment is

Despite the pandemic, our parish offertory remained strong, primarily due to the generosity of our parishioners; but it was greatly assisted by online giving and a recordbreaking Diocesan Lenten Appeal. The fidelity of parishioners to their commitment to our parish is truly inspiring.

I also am greatly comforted by the response to our Community Service and Food Pantry Appeals. So many parishioners have shown their love for neighbor by providing food, funds for utility payments and rent assistance, and other means of sustenance.

I do want to call your attention to our new initiative — Catechesis of the Good Shepherd — which adds another dimension to our faith formation program. We are offering faith formation for children ages 3-6 presently thorough the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, with the hope to expand this offering to older children in the years to come.

We also have initiatives for adults — Deacon Mike Dargay meets with the men of the parish for That Man Is You, a discussion and faith sharing group for men of all ages. We also are offering a group for women — ENDOW (Educating on the Nature and Dignity of Women.) This will be an opportunity for the women of our parish to share their faith with other parishioners.

These efforts will go a long way in planting the seeds of faith in the next generation of our parish.

### **Ways You Can Give**



Holy Trinity Parish 342 W. Main St. Ligonier, PA 15658



Monday - Wednesday, Friday 8:30AM - 3:30PM

Thursday - 8:30AM - 1:30PM



**ONLINE:** holytrinityligonier.org



**Baptisms** 

2021: 9 2020: 7 2019: 17

**Weddings** 

2021: 7 2020: 3 2019: 3





Funerals 2021: 11 2020: 10

2019:16

