



Saint James CATHOLIC CHURCH

2024 ANNUAL REPORT



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Saint James Parish

Dear Friends in Christ,

I AM HAPPY TO PRESENT THE ANNUAL REPORT for Fiscal Year 2024...as well as the “intangibles” – all those parish activities, initiatives, and apostolates of the past year. If you look over the report, you will see that we are in a very good position – thanks to your amazing generosity and our staff’s good stewardship of your gift. You will also note how your generosity off the books has produced a vibrant parish life.

As for the finances, the news is good. Our offertory (+12%) and unrestricted giving were both over budget for the year. Total expenses came in under budget, so our operating results were very good. We had budgeted a deficit of \$1.1M due to major capital projects. Delays and unanticipated additions meant that the costs ran to \$1.9M. Despite that, our good operating results reduced the deficit to -\$775K. The School ran a nice surplus (+\$125K) and PREP ran close to budget (revenues 98%, expenses 103%). After all of that, the Parish has \$4.8M in the bank and investments. So, again, a positive year.

One area for emphasis, in keeping with the Bishop’s Strategic Initiative, is our work in evangelization and formation. The Saint James Speaker Series has brought in some great thinkers and writers. Those events have not only provided ongoing formation in the faith but have also been an occasion to bring parishioners together and build up our community. We also invested in Evangelical Catholic’s *Reach More* program, which has slowly but surely been forming parishioners in the work of evangelization and, again, forming a community.

All of this is in addition to the usual work of the parish, as laid out in the pages of this report. I hesitate to use the word “usual” because all the teaching, serving, frying, bazaaring, planting, weeding, reading, ushering, praying, singing, outreach, and evangelization don’t happen by wishful thinking. The ordinary work of the Parish and School is the result of unusual generosity. It’s the response of you, the Faithful of Christ, to his blessings. Please know of my gratitude.

On the weekend of October 26th/27th I will speak briefly at all Masses regarding the report and your offertory commitment. As always, I ask that your offertory gift of the coming year be a prayerfully decided commitment that reflects God’s goodness to you and your gratitude to him. Please pray and reflect on your offertory commitment for the coming year.

Through the intercession of Our Lady and Saint James, may the Lord bless and keep you.

Sincerely in Christ,

Father Paul Scalin



Saint James Parish

FY24 FINANCIAL REPORT

July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024

BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS

Operating Accounts	858,182
DIAL Savings	3,961,212
Endowment Investments	172,871
Other Assets	34,256
TOTAL ASSETS	\$5,026,520

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	41,385
Deferred Revenue	315,248
Other Liabilities	249,208
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$605,842

NET ASSETS

Without Donor Restrictions (Unrestricted)	3,751,433
With Donor Restrictions (Temporarily Restricted)	496,374
With Donor Restrictions (Permanently Restricted)	172,871
TOTAL NET ASSETS	\$4,420,678
TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS	\$5,026,520

INCOME STATEMENT

REVENUE SOURCES

	CHURCH	SCHOOL	PARISH
Offertory/Tuition Income	2,480,585	4,128,933	6,609,517
Ministry Revenues	320,364	-	320,364
School Student Services	-	348,418	348,418
Other Sources of Revenue	517,719	648,928	1,166,647
TOTAL OPERATING INCOME	\$3,318,667	\$5,126,278	\$8,444,945

EXPENDITURES

Clergy	192,527	-	192,527
Staffing	1,092,422	3,721,309	4,813,731
Ministry Expenses	607,594	-	607,594
School Student Services	-	308,952	308,952
Buildings	286,380	528,087	814,468
Administration	445,938	256,611	702,549
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSE	\$2,624,862	\$4,814,959	\$7,439,821

NET OPERATING SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	\$693,805	\$311,319	\$1,005,124
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OTHER INCOME AND EXPENSE

Capital Fund/Extraordinary Income	158,653	-	158,653
Capital Expenditures	1,752,378	186,253	1,938,632

NET OTHER INCOME (EXPENSE)	\$(1,593,725)	\$(186,253)	\$(1,779,979)
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NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	\$(899,920)	\$125,066	\$(774,855)
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Our Year in Review 2023-2024

ST. JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH

THE THEME FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024 IS GRATITUDE, namely for our historic heritage as one of the oldest parishes in the Arlington Diocese. St. James began as a mission of St. Mary's in Old Town before being established as a parish in 1892. The preparations for the final year of the diocesan 50th Jubilee coincided with our own preparations for a centennial celebration in honor of the Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary (IHM). We were blessed to have 25 IHM Sisters – both current and former teachers & administrators – at a special Mass celebrated by Bishop Michael Burbidge, followed by a reception in Monsignor Heller Hall. As further proof of God's exquisite timing, the date of our IHM centennial celebration – Sunday, September 17, 2023 – was exactly *one hundred years to the day* that the first group of IHM Sisters began teaching at Saint James Catholic School.

One of the final goals of the *Sanctuary Restoration* project was to create a "Lady Chapel." A statue of the Immaculate Heart of Mary was commissioned in honor of the IHM centennial. It now resides in the old Baptistry. Our Lady's hand is extended, inviting everyone to a deeper life of prayer; she simultaneously points to her immaculate heart to show us the way to her Son. The IHM centennial was a joyous celebration for the entire parish community, making front page news in the Arlington Catholic Herald. It was the perfect way to kick off another year full of abundant blessings for the people of Saint James. Enjoy!



Saint James School Student Artwork



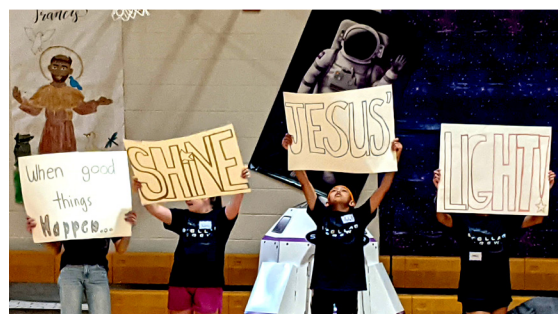
JULY/AUGUST

VBS RETURNS to St. James Parish after a long COVID hiatus. The students and the stellar space crew had a blast shining Jesus's light to the world!

THE BATTLE OF THE SERVERS is attended by the St. James Server Corps.

SISTER MARY SUE CARWILE leaves after ten years as Principal to serve on the IHM Leadership Council in Malvern, PA.

SISTER KATHRYN CLEMMER becomes the 21st IHM Principal of our parish school. Sister Karl Ann Homberg serves as Vice Principal and the newly professed Sister Alexis Reavill begins teaching 4th grade.



ST. JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH

SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER

IHM CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION takes place exactly 100 years to the day that the IHM Sisters began teaching at Saint James School. Bishop Burbidge celebrates the Noon Mass for the intentions of the 25 IHM Sisters, who join us for the two-day celebration.

SOCIAL OUTREACH collects 10,000 pounds of food for the St. Lucy's Project.

SPEAKER SERIES BEGINS with best-selling author George Weigel, who discusses his latest book *To Sanctify the World - The Vital Legacy of Vatican II*.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE Bishop Burbidge prays the Rosary at the Grotto and later blesses the crowd.

ST. JAMES BAZAAR raises \$19,424 for our parish school.

PARISH PICNIC is marked by good food, strolling magicians, face painting, and amazing bluegrass music.

YOUNG PROFESSIONALS ensure food donations are fresh, weighed, and organized at the St. Lucy's warehouse.

NOVEMBER/DECEMBER

CATHOLIC TRIVIA NIGHT is packed with 18 teams and 150+ participants. It generates 1,400 lbs. of donations.

COLLEGE COFFEES begin during Winter Break for our college students.

40 HOURS DEVOTION is preached by Father Gary Selin on the *Our Father, the Heart of Christian Prayer*.

SISTER JEANNINE DAWSON, our first IHM vocation from Villa Maria Academy, dies on Christmas Day at the age of 95 in her 75th year of religious life. We were blessed to have her at the IHM centennial celebration.

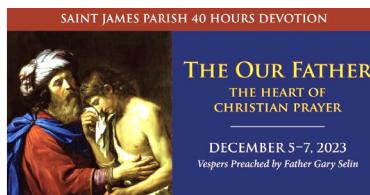
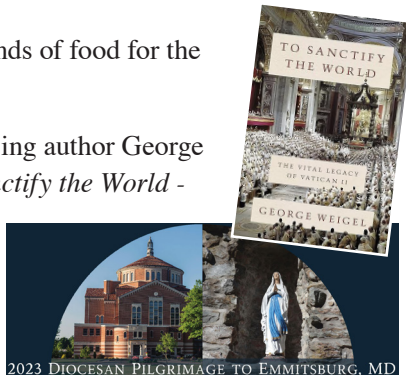
JANUARY/FEBRUARY

RECTORY OFFICES RENOVATED for improved security and customer service.

CATHOLIC ESTATE & PERSONAL planning seminar held at the parish with 75 people in attendance.

SENIORS YOUNG AT HEART host bingo night and a movie night on "The Story of Fr. Patrick Peyton," who championed the family rosary.

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JANUARY/FEBRUARY *(continued)*

VIRGINIA PRO-LIFE DAY is attended by the Respect Life group. Fr. Pavlick leads them in a rosary as they approach Richmond.

MONSIGNOR ROY COSBY, former Pastor of St. James from 1993 to 1999, dies on February 18th – three months shy of his 100th birthday.

SPEAKER SERIES RETURNS with Mary Stanford, who presents *“Male & Female—He Created Them: In Defense of Complementarity.”*

MIDDLE SCHOOL LENTEN bible study begins on February 15th, hosted by Youth Ministry.



MARCH/APRIL

FISH FRY CELEBRATES its 14th year with the catchy theme *“Leave the Cooking for Salmon Else.”* Over 7,400 meals are served.

CONSTRUCTION BEGINS on a new outdoor classroom.

RENOVATION BEGINS of Church confessionals and IHM Convent Chapel.

DR. JOHN CUDDEBACK presents *“True Friendship in the Virtual Age”* in Monsignor Heller Hall.

THE “RUN FOR THE ROSES” GALA raises \$257,064 including \$85,000 to update & refresh the school library.



MAY/JUNE

VOLUNTEER DINNER takes place on May 8th with over 500 in attendance.

YOUTH MINISTRY HOSTS 170 parishioners for Faith Day at the D.C. United soccer game; Our school Children’s Choir sings the National Anthem.

SUMMER COLLEGE COFFEES begin after 6:30 am Mass. The summer is filled with prayer, coffee, & fellowship!

FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI is celebrated with a Eucharistic Procession, followed by an ice cream social.

WORK CAMP 2024 brings 25 teens & adults to the service of Frederick County.

FATHER JOHN PAUL leads 35 parishioners on a 10-day pilgrimage to the Holy Shrines of Fatima & Lourdes.

WE BID FAREWELL to Father Joel Kwame after 4+ years of service.





**Fun Facts
FISH FRY 2024**

7400+
total meals served during Lent,

6200+
pieces of
delicious,
homemade
cake

6100+
cups
of homemade
coleslaw

2000+
baked potatoes

1230
average meals
per week

25+
gallons of
tartar sauce

FISCAL YEAR 2024 ENDS with impressive results. Offertory was 12% over budget and we exceeded all of our development & fundraising goals. We launched a new ministry called “Reach More” which is training our parishioners on how to share the “good news” with others. Our Youth Ministry programs are thriving and our Mass attendance is back to pre-COVID levels. We are a parish of almost 9000 members, who generously give of their *time, talent, and treasure*. As we close out FY24, please stay engaged and consider using one of your unique gifts for God’s glory. Come to our Parish Ministry Fair on Sunday, November 3rd, after the 9am and 10:30am Masses. Thank you for your support. St. James pray for us!



Who We Are

**Fun Facts
SAINT JAMES PARISH AT A GLANCE**

8,865 Parishioners	170 Baptisms	52 Catechists
3,407 Registered Households	147 First Communions	40+ Parish Groups & Service Ministries
491 School Students	100 Anointing of the Sick	32 Marriages
78 Faculty & Staff	156 Confirmations	32 New Catechumens & Candidates
483 Prep Students	64 Funerals	

What We Achieved

OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

- \$2,480,358 in Offertory, including \$1,380,291 in Faith Direct gifts.
- 742 Faith Direct donors, including 672 recurring and 70 one-time Egivers.
- \$352,895 in Second Collections, including \$18,000+ for our MCP Mission to Vietnam.
- \$210,543 raised for the school’s Annual Appeal, Guardian Angel Scholarship Fund, and Clarke-Delaney Teacher Retention Fund.
- \$175,000+ over goal for the BLA with a 25% participation rate.
- First parish in the Diocese with over 3,000 households to reach our BLA goal for the second year in a row!

Thank you to our amazing volunteers who make all this possible!



 *Saint James*

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May God bless you all for your generosity and goodness.

Saint James, pray for us!



Saint James in the world!

