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**Year-End Review 2016**



## Who We Are

A Family of Believers.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Parish is a family of believers in Christ who strive to live according to His teachings.

We take as our mission in the world the living out of the Gospel of Jesus.

An Engaged Parish.

We pray that the Lord will help us to be an engaged community with open hearts and open minds to Seek The Lord, Share His Gifts, and Rejoice in His Blessings.

# OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP



## Growing strong in spirit while serving together

Dear Parishioners,

A responsibility I take most seriously is keeping you informed on the financial health of our parish. This annual report is critical to that effort. Through this report your parish leadership is held accountable to the financial support you have entrusted to us. I am pleased to share this year's report with you.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish is an amazing and blessed place. Literally thousands of people are touched by our liturgies and outreach. From the baptism of a newborn to the celebration of a person's life at a funeral, the parish is a place of support, encouragement and challenge.

The investment it takes for our parish to meet its obligations and to keep growing can be overwhelming. I have to keep remembering that this parish flourishes because Jesus Christ is proclaimed. Our parish keeps flourishing because deeply committed parishioners make extraordinary sacrifices.

In calculating your stewardship of the parish it is important to realize that 6% of our weekly collection goes to the First Fruits Program. This program eliminated most second collections and encourages a spirituality of stewardship for all our needs here and beyond. Gifts from the General Offertory allow us to assist our sharing parishes,

support religious retirement and seminarians as well as respond to special needs that surface during the year like relief to hurricane and earthquake tragedies in the world.

If you have not participated in the Planned Offertory Program (P.O.P.) in the past, please consider it for this year. It is so important to planning our budget and being able to offer so many important ministries.

We recently had a diocesan meeting here that included people from over 30 parishes. I was struck at how many of our guests commented on what a beautiful place our parish is. Indeed it is and with your generous support this past year we not only maintained it, but addressed several projects that needed attention.

Our Parish Transformation Initiative that we participated in this past year evoked the powerful impact this parish has had on many generations. As beautiful as our campus is, it is the people that are our greatest treasure.

May God bless you for your generous support. If you ever have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Gratefully,

Fr. Jerry Boland



**Through our First Fruits Program** the parish has committed to giving the first 6% of our General Offertory (Sunday Collection) directly to worthy causes. These causes include our Sharing Parishes, the second collections mandated by the Archdiocese, and special requests for our financial support.

## Why we give back to those who cannot repay our generosity

**Good stewards** realize that if they embrace a humility that allows them to be generous to those who cannot repay them, they give evidence of having the kind of heart that will enjoy the Lord's intimate friendship.

**Good stewards** know there is only one, narrow gate. Not everything will fit. This narrow gate has no room for our accomplishments. No room for our money. No room for our possessions. No room for anything else but those who've been good stewards of the Gospel.

**Good stewards** are firmly committed to running the race, living Christian life to the fullest and keeping their eyes focused on Jesus. They don't grow weary. They don't lose heart. They know there is immense joy waiting for them at the finish line.

**Good stewards** acknowledge that the money and possessions entrusted to them are to be used to further the mission of Jesus Christ.

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**6%**  
**First Fruits changes lives**

Sharing Parishes received **\$110,620**

Retirement fund for religious and retired priests



*Your gifts are shared locally and throughout the world in support of mission work.*

## Supporting our community and neighbors at heart of First Fruits Program

As you think about what sacrificial gift you may give to your parish next year, please remember that supporting the First Fruits Program should influence your ongoing stewardship. **Serving the larger community is such an important part of the rich history of OLPH.** Through First Fruits we are able to reach more people in need than ever before.

Peter's Pence, the Holy Land, Seminarians, World Mission Sunday and Missionary Co-Op are all recipients of your generosity



**3%** increase to recipients over last years distribution\*



OLPH parishioners paying it forward with time and contributions from OLPH for St. Sabina. Fr. Michael Pflager is on hand to greet our group.

### How does the Offertory benefit the First Fruits Program?

Comprised of Sunday, Christmas and Easter collections, the *General Offertory* supports all parish ministries and the First Fruits Program. In combination with the *Planned Offering Program*, its the most important resource we have for planning and giving to our larger community.

It directly benefits the First Fruits Program by eliminating all but three 2nd collections annually. Instead we are able to support many worthy causes by giving 6% of our general and planned offertories toward causes supported by the First Fruits Program.

# Parish Finances

CHURCH REVENUE	15-16 ACTUAL		14-15 ACTUAL		VARIANCE	
Sunday & Holy days	\$2,705,880	83.6%	\$2,633,285	86.3%	\$72,055	2.7%
Women's Club Fund Raising	\$145,072	4.5%	\$135,630	4.4%	\$9,442	7.0%
Bequests & Memorials	\$59,250	1.8%	\$2,193	0.1%	\$57,057	2601.8%
Wagner Trust*	\$222,900	6.9%	\$213,103	7.0%	\$9,797	4.6%
Interest on Deposits	\$10,015	0.3%	\$2,650	0.1%	\$7,365	277.9%
Appeal Rebate**	\$29,020	0.9%	-	0.0%	\$29,020	
Other Income	\$62,862	1.9%	\$63,094	2.1%	\$(232)	(0.4%)
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>\$3,234,999</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>\$3,050,495</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>184,584</b>	<b>6.0%</b>



General offertory brings in **83.6%** of our overall revenue

Bequest funds are used exclusively within the parish and help to supplement our reserves. Please consider remembering OLPH Parish in your will

CHURCH EXPENSES	15-16 ACTUAL		14-15 ACTUAL		VARIANCE	
Salaries & Benefits	\$953,511	30.3%	\$940,448	30.3%	\$13,063	1.4%
School Subsidy	\$1,017,317	32.4%	\$1,048,030	33.8%	\$(30,713)	(2.9%)
Religious Education Subsidy	\$26,357	0.8%	\$23,178	0.7%	\$3,179	13.7%
Liturgy & Music	\$94,475	3.0%	\$81,206	2.6%	\$13,269	16.3%
Other Ministries	\$34,671	1.1%	\$34,416	1.1%	\$255	0.7%
Administration	\$684,764	21.8%	\$603,055	19.5%	\$81,709	13.5%
Maintenance & Utilities	\$193,210	6.1%	\$176,641	5.7%	\$16,569	9.4%
Repairs & Improvements	\$64,981	2.1%	\$94,656	3.1%	\$(29,675)	(31.4%)
Furnishing, Equipment & Rectory	\$27,736	0.9%	\$40,280	1.3%	\$(12,544)	(31.1%)
Miscellaneous	\$45,090	1.4%	\$57,229	1.8%	\$(12,139)	(21.2%)
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$3,142,112</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>\$3,099,139</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>\$42,973</b>	<b>1.4%</b>
<b>NET</b>	<b>\$92,886</b>		<b>\$(48,644)</b>		<b>\$141,530</b>	

\* The Wagner Trust is based on the trusts of the late Peter and Rose Wagner. The parish receives an annual distribution of 5% of the trust principal balance as of the previous calendar year.

\*\* The rebate from the Archdiocese is the amount that was donated to the Cardinal's appeal above our goal.

As part of our  
**First Fruits Program**  
 we set aside **6%** of  
 our collections for  
 the less fortunate  
 = **\$172,812**



Planned  
 offering  
 pledges  
**47%**  
 of overall  
 giving

Your sacrificial gifts make all the difference to a vibrant parish like OLPH. Each week our staff and ministries are able to serve our parish with all the resources needed. If you haven't considered the Planned Offering Program, please take a look. It is a critical piece of information for planning.

### Planned Offertory Program

Each fall we invite you to reflect on your blessings. You are then asked to prayerfully consider a sacrificial gift to the General Offertory for the coming year and return a form stating your intention. By making a commitment to the Planned Offertory Program (P.O.P.) you are helping the Finance Council to budget responsibly. **Last year parishioners committed approximately \$1.3 million to the P.O.P. which allowed us to plan prudently.**

Through the P.O.P. you can opt-in to our Automated Giving system. This means no more envelopes to keep track of. Watch for more details about the Planned Offertory this October.

### General Offertory

The General Offertory, or Sunday Collection, is our single largest source of income. It is vital to all of our efforts. We cannot overemphasize the importance of your gifts to the Offertory.

Your contributions to the General Offertory are used to fund parish ministries, pay salaries, maintain our buildings and fund our School and Religious Education Programs. **We have also set aside 6% of the Offertory for our First Fruits Program.**

Our mission reflects our Gospel values: to grow in faith together, to educate our young and to reach out to the needy. Without a financially stable parish, this would not be possible.

#### CAMPAIGN JUNE 2016

Fundraising	
Initial Goal	\$ 3,200,000
Total Pledged	\$ 3,985,863
Received through 6/30/16	\$ 3,857,926
Outstanding Due through 12/31/16	\$ 127,937
Time Elapsed	54 months

#### Spending:

Expenses through 6/30/16	\$ 4,029,577
Variance	\$ (171,651)

#### PARISH ASSETS JUNE 2016    JUNE 2015    VARIANCE

Cash in Bank	691,990.77	660,084.76	31,906.01
Cash on Deposit with Archdiocese	1,033,254.79	528,382.04	504,872.75



# School Finances

SCHOOL REVENUE	15-16 ACTUAL		14-15 ACTUAL		VARIANCE	
Tuition & Fees	4,506,528	69.1%	4,536,110	69.8%	(29,582)	(0.7%)
Annual Fund (net)	433,338	6.6%	422,796	6.5%	10,542	2.5%
Men's Club	123,000	1.9%	138,000	2.1%	(15,000)	(10.9%)
Endowment	329,856	5.1%	270,892	4.2%	58,964	21.8%
Dussman	44,752	0.7%	35,633	0.5%	9,119	25.6%
Subsidy	1,017,317	15.6%	1,048,030	16.1%	(30,713)	(2.9%)
Other Income	63,201	1.0%	48,738	0.7%	14,463	29.7%
Total Income	6,517,992	100%	6,500,199	100%	17,793	0.3%

SCHOOL EXPENSES	15-16 ACTUAL		14-15 ACTUAL		VARIANCE	
Salaries & Benefits	5,361,874	82.3%	5,141,357	79.2%	220,517	4.3%
Insurance & Fees	142,722	2.2%	140,320	2.2%	2,402	1.7%
Books & Supplies	158,088	2.4%	202,133	3.1%	(44,045)	(21.8%)
Programs & Enrichment	111,396	1.7%	91,241	1.4%	20,155	22.1%
Technology	115,006	1.8%	239,236	3.7%	(124,230)	(51.9%)
Administration	193,066	3.0%	186,385	2.9%	6,681	3.6%
Maintenance & Utilities	295,463	4.5%	286,866	4.4%	8,597	3.0%
Furnishing & Equipment	25,390	0.4%	127,518	2.0%	(102,128)	(80.1%)
Miscellaneous	112,816	1.7%	79,528	1.2%	33,288	41.9%
Total Expense	6,515,821	100%	6,494,584	100%	21,237	0.3%
Net	2,171		5,615		(3,444)	

2015-16 School Year – 816 Students



Piloted Coding and 3-D Building classes



Older students get a chance to work with younger children fostering a family atmosphere throughout the school.

Students got a chance to participate in the all-school musicale, Dancin' OL Fools.





# Capture the Spirit of OLPH School

## Improved facilities and resources

- Hired full-time school counselor as a resource
- Painted Lexington classrooms, halls and bathrooms
- Refurbished entry foyer, statues, and lighting
- Centralized administrative team in offices in Lexington

## Ensured Fiscal Responsibility

- Renegotiated equipment contracts to improve operations and cost efficiencies
- Maintained fiscal integrity with our operating budget

## Nurtured Spiritual Growth

- Five teachers became certified catechists
- Provided the Scripture and Traditions Pillars course to 15 teachers and administrators
- Hosted all teachers & staff in Council II-3A for an in-service featuring Fr. Pat McGrath
- Hosted the 8th grade Day of Retreat and Reflection with guest speaker Dr. Terry Nelson Johnson
- Prepared 2nd grade children for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and the Holy Eucharist as 8th graders celebrated Confirmation with Bishop Rassas



**Awarded  
Dussman  
Scholarships  
to 37 OLPH  
students**

**Received  
Advanced  
Accreditation**

**Fully utilizing  
29 security  
cameras  
across  
campus**



## Enhanced curriculum and enrichment opportunities

- Hosted inaugural Fine Arts Fest featuring choirs, band, music, and art classes
- Purchased portable keyboard to enhance music
- Partnered with Illinois Bone & Joint for Baseline Concussion Testing for athletes
- Celebrated Year of Champions in football, volleyball, boys & girls basketball
- Partnered with University of Notre Dame to host "Play Like a Champion" workshops for parents and coaches

## Parish Community Connection

- Created alumni newsletter and hosted reunions for the Class of 1975 and 1995
- Participated in the Parish Transformation Process
- Offered the ever popular Summer Dodge ball Series and Summer School to all parish children



## Professional Development

- Afforded 28 faculty members with continuing education opportunities
- Participated in Partners in Mission conference to advance Catholic education
- Assisted 6 faculty members pursuing their Masters
- Provided safety & security training for full faculty

# Religious Education Finances

RELIGIOUS ED REVENUE	15-16 ACTUAL		14-15 ACTUAL		VARIANCE	
Tuition & Fees	192,995	84.1%	190,230	84.4%	2,765	1.5%
Parish Subsidy	26,357	11.5%	23,178	10.3%	3,179	13.7%
Donations	10,000	4.4%	12,000	5.3%	(2,000)	(16.7%)
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>229,352</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>225,408</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>3,944</b>	<b>1.5%</b>

RELIGIOUS ED EXPENSES	15-16 ACTUAL		14-15 ACTUAL		VARIANCE	
Salaries & Benefits	115,748	50.5%	113,201	50.2%	2,548	2.3%
Books & Supplies	65,093	28.4%	56,274	25.0%	8,819	15.7%
Administration	13,992	6.1%	14,350	6.4%	(358)	(2.5%)
Maintenance & Utilities	15,301	6.7%	14,817	6.6%	484	3.3%
Other Program Costs	19,218	8.4%	26,766	11.9%	(7,549)	(28.2%)
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>229,352</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>225,408</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>3,944</b>	<b>1.7%</b>

2015-16 School Year – 982 Students

Teaching children how to pray with Christ



With the addition of the *Loyola Press Finding God* curriculum this year for grades Kindergarten through 7th grades, *Decision Point* for 7th grade and continued use of *Chosen* for 8th grade, we have been able to:

- Promote the knowledge of faith to all children
- Provide hands-on experiences that have enriched the faith of our children
- Promote knowledge of the meaning of the Liturgy and Sacraments
- Promote moral formation in Jesus Christ
- Encourage participation in monthly liturgical celebrations as well as student led rosary prayer services throughout the school year
- Prepare our children and youth to live in community and to participate actively in the life and mission of the Church
- Reach out to make a difference with families responding with overwhelming response to monthly service initiatives
- Promote a missionary spirit that prepares the children and youth to be present as Christians in society.

**140** young adults were sealed with the Gifts of the Holy Spirit during the Confirmation liturgies in March



**120** received the Sacrament of Reconciliation in December and First Communion in May

*Religious Ed works hard to demonstrate the importance of service as well as learning about our faith. Several times throughout the year, we work on projects to benefit the parish and community.*

## Religious Ed Program grows again

The Religious Education Program at OLPH provides children and youth in grades Kindergarten through 8th grade, in cooperation with their families, an opportunity to deepen their Catholic faith and identity through prayer, study and community service. This instruction with participation at weekend Mass and faith formation has the goal of leading our young people to a deeper relationship with God and the Church.

With the dedication of 90 catechists and 400 additional volunteers OLPH has continued to provide children and youth with the knowledge, experiences and skills necessary to become faithful disciples of Jesus Christ. When we share our faith with others, we share in Jesus'

own mission of proclaiming the Kingdom of God. Great care is taken with the nearly 1,000 children and youth to help ensure a life of strong faith.

Religious Education is a continuous, lifelong process. Our Lady of Perpetual Help continues to strive to provide an atmosphere of faith, love and compassion to welcome and support children and families. Beginning with the faith received in Baptism, we seek to collaborate with parents and the parish community to teach children the gospel message and experience a sense of community. We celebrate the Sacraments and learn the truths of our Catholic Faith.





# Sharing marks 34 years of ministry

Our Lady of Perpetual Help continues to be generous in responding to the escalating need within our communities. We provide support to four inner-city sharing parishes and beyond, while also addressing needs within our own parish and community. Glenview has over 2,500 food insecure residents, many of whom draw from the Sharing Room shelves as a source of support.

**What was collected and distributed in 2015-16?**



**1400**  
meals served in support of Marquard Center and Des Plaines Catholic Charities soup kitchens

**1500**  
brown bag lunches for the homeless



**117,993**  
non-perishable food items

**50**  
volunteers each week

**10,000**  
bags of clothing, toiletry & household items

**260**  
casseroles for Sr. Paulanne's Needy Families





*It's an amazing feeling to get involved. OLPH has opportunities for all to do service and practice stewardship.*



## What is the Needy Family Fund?

When you give to the Needy Family Fund, you support Sister Paulanne's ongoing ministry to families in need. All funds donated to the Needy Family Fund are disbursed to families (local or regional) in financial crisis.

*St. Philip Neri's food pantry assists hundreds of families each month through the generosity of OLPH parishioners.*



## Your additional giving also supports church & school programs

- **Women's Club Fundraising** – Makes an annual donation to the parish
- **Endowment** – Makes an annual distribution to OLPH School
- **School Annual Fund** – Funds the school's operations; comprises 7% of school budget
- **Men's Club Fundraising** – Disperses funds among selected ministries





# Campus improvements continue to shape the future of ministry offerings

We were blessed last year with a mild winter. Because of this along with the continued generosity of you, the parishioners, we were able to do some needed work on our campus. It is our responsibility to leave the wonderful campus we inherited in as good a shape as we found it. When you are visiting OLPH please take a minute to notice the capital projects we completed.

**New Cupola on Rectory.** Many of you may have noticed the dilapidated cupola on the Rectory roof. We have spent a couple of years discussing the pros & cons of elimination or replacement of it. Luckily, once we got up there we realized that it needed extensive repair but not replacement. It is an important architectural detail and it will look great for years to come.

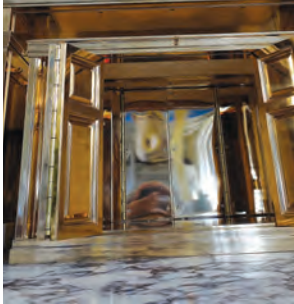
**Chimney & Masonry.** The chimney on the east side of the Rectory had bowed and was leaking into the building. We rebuilt the chimney and also did other needed tuck pointing around the campus.

**Playdium Stone Base Repair.** The stone base on the north side of the Playdium has been showing signs of age for a while. We have patched it many times, trying to prevent leakage. This summer we replaced many of the panels. It looks terrific. Our hope is to complete the next phase of the project in the near future.

**New Classroom Windows in the Playdium.** This summer, energy efficient windows were installed in the Playdium classrooms. These new windows provide cost savings as well as a quality learning environment for all. What a difference they make!

**Reconfiguration of the parking lot behind the rectory.** Our final project for this summer is to create additional spots for the handicapped and elderly. We will include a smooth path from the parking lot to the elevator.





## Finance Council 2015-16

Anne Baetz  
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**Parish Population**  
 9,400 Individuals  
 3,000 Households  
 203 New Registrations

Sharing marked  
**34**  
 years of ministry



**140**  
 Baptisms

**176**  
 First  
 Communions



Women's Club continues to serve and create life-long friendships

**204**  
 Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion



**125**  
 Altar Servers

**61** Readers

**15** Cantors

**60** Festival Choir members



Men's Club raises more funds for Sr. Paulanne

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