Recently we added the STEPS in our bulletin each week to serve as a reminder of the steps we can take to grow in faith. One of those steps is tithing. Often this word conjures up the image of the televangelists or the scandals involving money. Certainly, St. Paul has warned that 'the love of money is the root of all evils' (1 Timothy 6:10).

It is important to note that Paul isn't saying that money is the problem: it is love of money that is the problem.

Our money is earned through our hard work. It is (or was) earned by the use of our talents and our sacrifice of time. Our talents and time are ultimately a gift from God. So our 'tithing', that is our giving to the Parish and to God, is an act of thanksgiving to God. It is a giving back to God what is God's. We are also reminded often in the Scriptures that when we give, we receive much more in return.

Your contributions allow St. Mary's to exist and to engage in the work of proclaiming the Gospel and accompanying people on their journey of faith. Your financial gifts enable our Parish to form Christian disciples to bring Christ's love and presence into our families, neighborhoods, community and world.

Thank you for your commitment to Christ and to our Parish! Since your contributions to the Parish are part of your growth in faith and an act of worship, the Parish staff, the Finance Council and I work to ensure it is utilized to increase the mission the Lord has entrusted to us. The attached report shares with you how this has occurred in the last fiscal year.

-Fr. David









Schedule:

(NEW!) Daily Mass: Monday-Friday: 8AM and Monday-Wednesday: 5:30PM

Weekend Mass: Saturday Vigil 4PM Sunday 8AM, 10AM, 12N and 5PM

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Wednesday 6PM to 6:50PM Sunday 3PM to 3:50PM

Rosary: Monday-Friday 7:30AM

Eucharistic Adoration First Friday: 8:30AM to 5PM Wednesdays 6PM to 7PM Sundays 3PM to 4PM

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They devoted themselves to the teaching of the apostles and to the communal life, to the breaking of the bread and to the prayers.

(Acts 2:42)

FY22 Annual Report







The numbers to the right tells only a small part of the story of St. Mary Parish. To put them in context, consider these figures as well:

Average Mass Attendance	560*
Baptism	24
First Communion	35
Confirmations	48
Marriages	IO
Funerals	55

Total Registered Households 1720

(Total of 5, 160 members)

New Registrations 55

*Average Fall 2021; Sept 2022 avg is 669

FISCAL YEAR 2022









Weekly Offertory	388,198
Annual	46,427
Christmas	3,758
Contributions Other	38,018 (Gifts,capital improvements, etc.)
Diocesan/National	
Collections	9,299
Church Other	82, 338. (Rent, interest, Holy Days, Insurance, Memorials, etc)
Total Revenue:	568,038
Administration	201, 893
Dioc/National	10, 670
Church/Liturgy	103, 236
Transportation	5, 184
Rectory	14, 590
Religious Education	76, 606
Operation/Maintenance	107, 406
Fixed Charges	103, 774
Parish Center	15, 748
Total Expenses	639,107 (-71, 069)

(Expenses include payment towards parking lot project, phone system for the Parish Office, new copier)