Financial Status of St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Parish

We are pleased to report to you our fiscal year ending June 30, 2016. The attached financial statement covers the revenue, expenses, and progress toward paying off the debt on the church building, and end of year cash balance. When you review these results, please remember that Fr. Terry and the Finance Council are required to develop a budget each year that balances the income from your generous donations, against the often <u>fixed</u> costs of operating the parish and our ministries.

- **Total Revenue** was budgeted at \$961,202, with actual revenue at \$1,062,696 from offertory, debt reduction, Annual Appeal refund, faith formation and preschool fees.
- **Budgeted Expenses** were planned at \$905,592. Through careful spending, the parish ended the year \$10,167 under budgeted expenses. Budgeted expenses increased over the previous year because of the addition of the Preschool Program (which also increased our income, and enabled a portion of our goals for new evangelization). In addition, we paid all church building **Loan interest payments** (\$78,344).
- **Loan principal payments** were budgeted at \$134,600 (this amount is in addition to the \$905,592 budgeted expenses noted above for a total of \$1,040,192). We were able to actually pay \$80,856.
 - We finished the year owing \$1,940,839 in loan principal. We would all like to do more
 in this area; however income was also needed to purchase preschool equipment and other
 church assets.

Two years ago, Fr. Terry asked every family in the parish to consider increasing their contributions by 15% to help us get closer to fully covering our church loan requirements. In this time frame we have seen a 14.7% increase in revenue. A key to this has been the Online Giving and other electronic payment programs. We ask all parish families to consider whether online giving or automated bill pay can work for you.

While our parish is more financially stable now, our expenses have also gone up over the last two years. This year we will experience significant increases in health care costs and wages due to changes in federal regulations. We must continue to improve our offertory and debt reduction donations to cover these increased expenses, and try to achieve budgeted progress on the parish debt. The Archdiocese recommends that half of your 10% biblical tithe be donated to your parish. Donating 5% of your income to the parish can be a daunting challenge. However, we are all called to offer gifts of time, talent, and treasure to show our gratitude for all God gives us in the past, present, and future. We ask that each family prayerfully consider increasing offertory donations at this time to get closer to this 5% recommendation.

Please remember that our parish exists for the benefit of our families and our community, and also to further the New Evangelization of Pope Saint John Paul and Pope Francis.

If you have any questions, or if we can be of any assistance whatsoever, please do not hesitate to contact either of us.

Yours in Christ,

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