

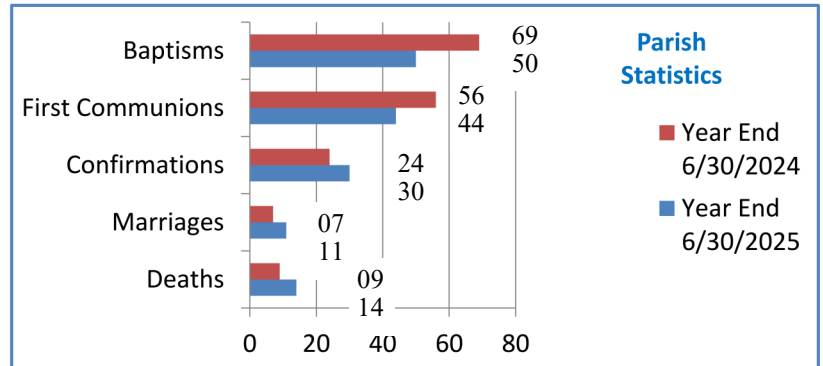
St. Sylvester Parish Annual Report July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025

September 15, 2025

State of St. Sylvester Parish

As we bring another fiscal year to a close at Saint Sylvester Parish, I want to express my heartfelt gratitude to everyone in our community. This past year has been, in many ways, uneventful—and I say that with sincere appreciation.

While our parish calendar was filled with events, activities, and opportunities for fellowship, we were spared any major crises or unexpected challenges.



The steady rhythm of parish life allowed us to focus on what truly matters: nurturing our faith, supporting one another, and celebrating together. Our volunteers, staff, and parishioners contributed their time and talents to ensure that everything ran smoothly, from liturgies and social gatherings to outreach programs and educational initiatives.

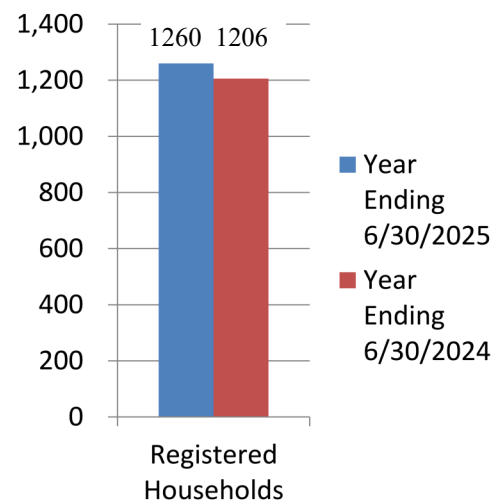
Looking ahead, I am excited for the new opportunities and experiences the upcoming year will bring. If this past year has taught us anything, it is that when we come together as a community—no matter how busy our schedules may be—we can accomplish great things in the spirit of joy and cooperation. I look forward to building on this solid foundation and continuing our mission here at Saint Sylvester Parish.

Parish Rolls

Our parish family has experienced a modest but meaningful increase in size over the past year. After being steady at approximately 1,200 families for many years, we have welcomed about 50 new families into our community. This growth is a blessing, and thanks to the exceptional facilities we are fortunate to have, we are well-equipped to accommodate many more families in the future.

We take pride in being a truly welcoming parish. As our area continues to develop, especially with the addition of new housing, I am confident that our parish will grow alongside the broader community. While the increased traffic might bring some understandable groans, there is a bright side—these new neighbors will be seeking a spiritual home, and I believe that our parish will be the Catholic church they choose.

Let us continue to embrace new families with open arms and a spirit of hospitality, ensuring that everyone who enters our doors feels the warmth and welcome that define our parish community.



If you have any questions concerning our Annual Report, feel free to contact any of our Finance Council members:

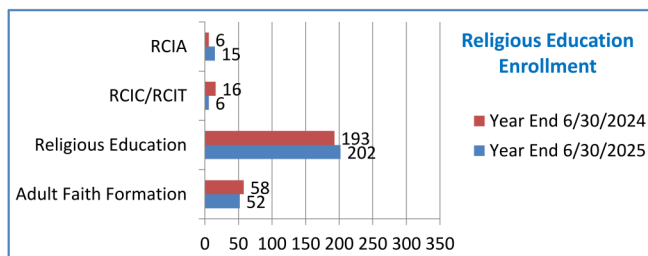
Fr John Kelly, Pastor	Jim Kizer, Chair	Javier Ruiz, Secretary	Jeff Arnett, Member
Gilbert Edwards, Member	Karen Pfister, Member	Tom Pitts, Member	Nic Bray, Member
Mark Burson, Parish Administrator			

Religious Education

Thanks to the dedication and hard work of our community, we have successfully navigated a year of transition and are well-prepared for the exciting changes that the upcoming year will bring.

This past year, under the previous program structure, we enjoyed a very successful final year. Our enrollment numbers were strong, reflecting the ongoing commitment and enthusiasm of our families. Most importantly, our program continues to thrive because of the many dedicated volunteers who generously give their time and energy. Their unwavering support ensures that our program remains a high-quality experience for everyone involved.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to all our volunteers. Your passion, kindness, and commitment truly make a difference. As we look forward to the future, we are confident that, with your continued support, our Religious Education program will remain a cornerstone of our community.



Catholic Sharing Appeal

The Catholic Sharing Appeal (CSA) is an annual Diocesan initiative designed to help fund the operational budget of our Diocese. Each year, our parish is assessed a specific amount that supports diocesan activities and ministries. Importantly, any funds collected beyond our assessed amount are returned directly to our parish, providing vital support for our local needs and programs.

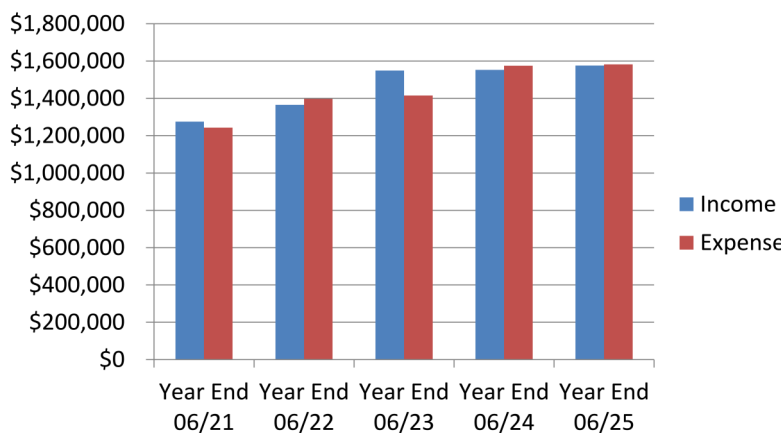
	2022 CSA Year	2023 CSA Year	2024 CSA Year	2025 CSA Year Current Year (collecting payments now)
Pledged	\$188,550	\$191,205	\$185,219	\$200,156
Number of Pledges	418	426	415	387
Payments Received	\$184,920	\$187,922	\$178,439	\$173,817
Amount Returned to Parish	\$47,387.29	\$61,886.79	\$39,564.47	\$16,732.72 (To Date)

Last year, our parish not only met the Diocesan goal but exceeded expectations, resulting in a remarkable rebate of \$39,564.47 returned to us. This achievement highlights the exceptional generosity of our parishioners and reflects our community's commitment to supporting both diocesan and parish initiatives. Our parish's history of consistent rebates is a testament to the ongoing dedication and spirit of giving among our members. The funds rebated to us help finance parish projects, outreach, and improvements, making a meaningful impact on our community.

For the current CSA campaign, we are experiencing record-breaking support. To date, we have received \$200,156 in pledges from 387 parishioners—more than any previous year. This unprecedented level of participation demonstrates our parish's unwavering generosity and commitment to the mission of the Diocese. Already, we have received a rebate of \$16,732.72 back to our parish for this campaign cycle, thanks to early and robust contributions from our parishioners.

We extend our deepest gratitude to everyone who has contributed to the CSA campaign. Your support ensures that our parish not only meets its obligations but also benefits directly from your generosity. The rebated funds allow us to pursue new opportunities for growth, service, and ministry within our parish community. Thank you for your continued and enthusiastic support of the Catholic Sharing Appeal, year after year. Together, we are making a difference—for our parish, our Diocese, and all those we serve.

Income/Expense Comparison



Offertory Year over Year



St. Sylvester Parish Income Statement
For the Year Ending
June 30, 2025

	2024-2025 Actual	2024-2025 Budgeted
Income		
Offertory	\$1,392,123.75	\$1,305,000.00
CSA Overgoal	\$39,729.47	\$25,000.00
Program Fees	\$20,513.79	\$18,000.00
Advertising	\$0.00	\$1,500.00
Interest	\$20,712.92	\$20,000.00
Other Sources	\$59,675.30	\$57,309.72
Insurance Premium	\$42,945.00	\$36,000.00
Total Income	\$1,575,700.23	\$1,462,809.72
Expenses		
Operations	\$515,556.47	\$498,116.53
Utilities	\$96,380.99	\$94,770.00
Programs	\$56,802.87	\$41,800.00
Maintenance	\$108,763.09	\$66,350.00
Payroll	\$494,287.68	\$476,413.98
Mortgage	\$310,831.56	\$310,831.56
Total Expenses	\$1,582,622.66	\$1,488,282.07
Net Gain (Loss)	-\$6,922.43	-\$25,472.35

Income Statement and New Budget

We concluded the fiscal year with a net loss of \$6,922.43. Similar to last year, the end result was a net loss, although our projections had initially anticipated a larger deficit. This year's financials were impacted by several unexpected, costly maintenance items that contributed to the overall loss.

The budget for the current year shows an improvement, forecasting a net income of \$5,003.89. While this is not a substantial profit, it is a notable turnaround compared to the prior years' budgeted losses. The focus moving forward will be to identify and implement cost-saving measures wherever possible, with the goal of ending the year with an even greater profit than currently budgeted.

By continuing to manage expenses and seek efficiencies, there is optimism for exceeding the budgeted profit and strengthening the financial position at year-end.

Conclusion

On behalf of the finance council, we would like to express our heartfelt gratitude for the incredible support you have shown to our parish throughout the past year. Your generosity—whether through financial contributions, volunteering your time, or sharing your unique talents—has made a profound impact on our community.

As we look ahead, we are excited to continue working together and providing opportunities for spiritual growth, service, and fellowship. We are confident that with your continued support, the coming year will be filled with blessings and success for our parish.

May God Bless us,
Saint Sylvester Finance Council

St. Sylvester Parish
Balance Sheet
June 30, 2025

Assets	June 30, 2025
Cash for Operations	\$29,386.07
Accounts Receivable	\$0.00
Savings	\$64,555.37
Hurricane Savings	\$377,646.46
Prepaid Expenses	\$119,636.03
Fixed Assets	\$5,901,258.00
Total Income	\$6,492,481.93
Liabilities and Equity	
Accounts Payable	\$20,984.68
Mortgage	\$2,106,666.89
Diocesan Loans	\$0.00
Committed Funds	\$54,457.60
Equity	\$4,310,372.76
Total Expenses	\$6,492,481.93

St. Sylvester Catholic Church
2025-2026 Budget

Income	July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026
Offertory	\$1,385,000.00
Programs	\$20,000.00
Advertising	\$1,500.00
Interest	\$20,000.00
CSA Overgoal	\$31,000.00
Insurance Premium	\$36,000.00
Other Sources	\$46,800.00
Total Income	\$1,540,300.00
Expenses	
Operations	\$346,270.68
Utilities	\$99,770.00
Programs	\$41,500.00
Maintenance	\$71,000.00
Payroll	\$506,675.84
Property/Liability Ins	\$159,248.03
Mortgage	\$310,831.56
Total Expenses	\$1,535,296.11
Net Gain (Loss)	\$5,003.89