St. John Fisher Church

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October 2025

Dear Saint John Fisher Parishioners,

It's hard to believe that I am beginning my third year at Saint John Fisher. It has been an exciting year in our parish as we have run devotional groups, the Alpha program, Holy Hours, and much more. I am feeling more blessed than ever to be a priest and to be your pastor.

It's also an exciting time in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. Saint Katherine Drexel in Chester has become the first Missionary Hub parish in Delaware County. For the next nine years, an additional parish will be added for a total of ten Missionary Hubs in Delaware County. This same process will be happening in each of the other four counties in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. In ten years, there will be 50 Hub parishes in the Archdiocese.

What is a Missionary Hub parish? A Missionary Hub parish is a parish that has been noted for being a dynamic, outward-looking, evangelizing community that will be awarded by the Archdiocese with additional funding, manpower, and resources to do what they have been doing all the more. These parishes are called to be models for all the other parishes in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia.

What does that mean for us? It means that we are called all the more to be and become a dynamic, outward-looking, evangelizing parish. To that end, the Pastoral Council will be going through a book called *Rebuilt*. This book shares the experience of a parish in the suburbs of Baltimore that went from being a parish of no great distinction to becoming a true model of dynamic parish life. Members of the Parish Council will also be visiting this church and attending their conference next summer. I believe we can learn from their example.

I am grateful for the many generous ways that you give of your time, talent, and treasure which make Saint John Fisher the wonderful parish that it is. The annual Block Collection has been an important way in which you have continued to make Saint John Fisher vibrant and strong. This is very much the case as you can see from our annual financial statement. In the past, an offering of \$135 was suggested for each household. I am asking that you prayerfully consider the amount of offering that you are able to make this year. Every offering is greatly appreciated and helps Saint John Fisher Parish to again "raise the roof" as Eucharistic Missionaries.

Please bring your Block Collection Offering with you to Mass on Block Collection Weekend which is Saturday, October 25 and Sunday, October 26. You may also mail in your offering. Along with your offering, I also ask that you fill out and update your census information and return this form along with your offering.

Thank you in advance for your generous support in serving our Eucharistic Lord with your gifts of time, talent and treasure. Jesus, incarnate of the Virgin Mary, who calls us to be an outward-looking, evangelizing community, pray for us!

Your grateful pastor,

Father Jim Otto

Deacon Daniel Bingnear

Parish Financials for 2024-2025

FINANCIAL OPERATION JULY 1, 2024—JUNE 30, 2025

Revenues (\$)	
Sunday Collections	680,469
Other Collections ¹	155,683
Stole Fees	11,600
Socials and Donations	31,231
PREP	12,963
Interest, Dividends and Rentals	25,450
Other	53414
Total Income	\$970,810
Expenses (\$)	
Diocesan Assessment ²	101,800
Salaries of Clergy and Religious	57,567
Salaries of Lay Employees	202,510
Payroll Taxes, Benefits,	62,517
IRS Tax Expense, and FICA	
Property Insurance and Real Estate Taxes	59,641
Pastoral Administration	74,801
Professional Fees/ Contracted Services	23,182
Outside Printing and Publications	28,298
Office Supplies and Equipment	13,137
Liturgical / Altar Supplies	17,062
PREP	11,592
Rectory Expense	19,907
Maintenance Church	82,668
Maintenance Rectory	5,565
Maintenance Convent	526
Utilities of Buildings	45,543
Subsidy Payment to School	32,520
Capital Improvements	41,519
Total Expenses	\$880,355
Net Cash Balance (\$)	\$90,455

Balance Sheet - As of June 30, 2025

ASSETS

Investments:	439,666
TD Bank - Certificate of Deposit	
Restricted Funds - CFGP	523,100
Total Investments	962,766
Other	6,011
Total Assets	\$1,807,752

\$14,512
\$5,200
\$39,210
\$1,085
1,747,745
\$1,807,752

<u>Additional Information for</u> <u>Financials</u>

1– Other Collections include Christmas, Easter and Block Collection

2-Archdiocesan assessment is based on a percentage from the ordinary income of the previous year.

PARISH LIFE 2024-2025





