St. John Fisher Church
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Dear Saint John Fisher Parishioners,

It keeps happening. Another year goes by and I am even more excited about being a parish priest and more excited about being here as your pastor at Saint John Fisher. There are so many good things happening here at Saint John Fisher. Let me tell you about just a few.

First, after 23 years of dedicated service Kathy Aaronson retired. Kathy had been both our Director of Religious Education and our Music Director. She and her husband are beginning a new chapter in Egg Harbor, New Jersey. Please keep them in your prayers.

With Kathy's departure, we have added two new people to our staff. Jennifer Simmons is our new Director of Religious Education and Kelly Meenan is our new Music Director.

Jennifer comes to us with 11 years of experience as a DRE. The love and openness in her heart is contagious and we already have 10 new children in our Parish Religious Education Program compared to last year. Jennifer will also be running our OCIA (formerly RCIA) program and she will be developing a youth ministry program. In her last parish, Jennifer developed one of the largest and most alive youth ministry programs of which I know.

Kelly Meenan has the voice of an angel and is a talented instrumentalist. I am excited about the present and future of our music program and I look forward to all the more celebrating Masses that are beautiful, prayerful and in which we encounter the transforming Presence, Power, and Love of Jesus together.

We are alive and growing in the Lord together here at Saint John Fisher. One sign of our spiritual vitality is our very strong financial picture, which you can see on the attached financial summary. Our annual Block Collection and your generous response to that has been an important part of our strong financial position. In the past, an offering of $135 was suggested for each household. I am asking that you prayerfully consider the amount of offering you are able to make this year. Saint John Fisher is in position to continue to be and become all the more a dynamic, growing, evangelizing parish. Thank you for your generosity in sharing your time, talent and treasure which makes this possible.

Please bring your Block Collection Offering with you to Mass on Block Collection Weekend, which is Saturday, October 24 and Sunday, October 25. You may also mail in your offering, or visit our website to give online. Along with your offering, I also ask that you fill out, update your census information, and return along with your offering.

Thank you in advance for your generous support in serving our Eucharistic Lord.

Your grateful pastor,

Father Jim Otto

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Deacon Dan Bingnear

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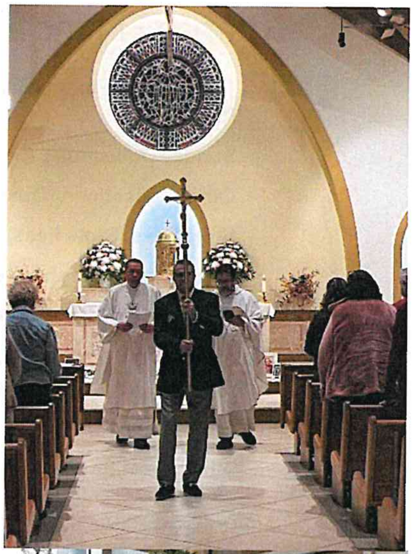
Parish Financials 2025 – 2026

Financial Operation July 1,2025-June 30,2026

Revenues($)	
Sunday Collections (Sunday Collections)	$ 692,870
Other Collections (Other Collections)	$ 166,135
Stole Fees (Stole Fees)	$ 14,300
Socials & Donations, Net (Socials and Donations, Net)	$ 43,558
Religious Education (Religious Education)	$ 10,504
Interest and Dividends (Interest and Dividends)	$ 26,999
Total Church Operating Income	$ 954,366
Legacies and Bequests	$ 25,000
Other Receipts	$ 65,284
Total Income	$ 1,044,650
Expenses ($)	
Diocesan Assessments (Diocesan Assessments)	$ 110,500
Salaries - Clergy/Relig (Salaries of Clergy, Religious and Honoraria)	$ 56,991
Salaries - Lay Employees (Salaries of Lay Employees)	$ 200,633
Payroll Tax & Benefits (Payroll Taxes and Fringe Benefits)	$ 68,714
Prop & Liability Ins (Property and Liability Insurance)	$ 49,582
Real Estate Taxes (Real Estate Taxes)	$ 23,491
Pastoral Administration (Pastoral Administration)	$ 53,978
Prof Fees/Contracted Svcs (Professional Fees/Contracted Services)	$ 37,723
Outside Print/Publication (Outside Printing and Publications)	$ 22,607
Office Supplies and Equip (Office Supplies and Equipment)	$ 10,628
Liturgical/Altar Supplies (Liturgical/Altar Supplies)	$ 14,910
Religious Ed Programs (Religious Education Programs)	$ 11,496
Rectory Operating Expense (Rectory Operating Expense)	$ 26,382
Maintenance - Church (Maintenance - Church)	$ 99,327
Maintenance - Rectory (Maintenance - Rectory)	$ 10,129
Maintenance - Convent (Maintenance - Convent)	$ 375
Utilities - Church (Utilities - Church)	$ 44,583
Utilities - Rectory (Utilities - Rectory)	$ 52
Utilities - Convent (Utilities - Convent)	$ 41
School Subsidy Payments (Subsidy Payments to Schools)	$ 31,100
Total Church Operating expenses	$ 873,242
Capital Improvements	$ 44,000
Total Expense	$ 917,242
Net income (increase in cash)	**$ 127,408**
Balance Sheet -As of June 30,2026	
Checking & Savings:	**$ 902,445**
TD Bank -Certificate of Deposit	**$ 453,287**
Restricted Funds -CFGP	**$ 588,383**

Cash and Investments	$1,944,115
Other	$ 3,395
Total Assets	$1,947,510
Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	$ 9,793
Mass Stipends	$ 4,470
Tuition Angel	$ 38,722
Restricted Donation	$ 8,873
Archdiocesan Collections	$ 5,373
	$ 67,230
Equity	$1,880,280
Total Liabilities & Equity	$1,947,510



Parish Life 2025 – 2026

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SAINT JOHN FISHER