



St. John Neumann Catholic Community Stewardship Report for October—December 2019

FY2020—2nd Quarter

Dear Parishioners,

With the publication of this 2nd Quarter Report for FY2020, I look back and realize that a lot took place during those three months. One of the highlights was the wrapping up of our year-long Parish 40th Anniversary Celebration with a Mass and reception on October 25. We were grateful to have Oblate Provincial Lewis Fiorelli as the homilist. His homily focused on “what exactly is an Oblate parish?” It was on that same evening, shortly after the celebration of Mass, that Fr. Tom Murphy, OSFS, passed. As one individual stated so well, as parishioners at the reception were watching the 40th Anniversary Video in which Fr. Tom shared some thoughts on his time here, the angels were taking him up to heaven. Although he will be greatly missed, we were blessed to have him among us for so many years.

It is my hope that the information in this report will help parishioners become more aware of the good works of this parish. These would not be possible without the support of many of you. Perhaps this can also be an opportunity to prayerfully discern where both as individuals and a community we might be challenged to be even better stewards of the gifts that God has so generously bestowed on us.

Live Jesus,
Fr. Joe Brennan, OSFS
Pastor

Parish 40th Anniversary — Mike Carotta spoke on *Embracing Grace* as part of the Anniversary lecture series. Over 300 people attended the 40th Anniversary Mass and reception on October 25. The video commemorating parish history can be found under the **Community** tab on our website.

Oktoberfest was filled with good food, good music, and a chance to catch up with Fr. Bob Mancini.

Our quarterly **New Parishioner Reception** was attended by 30 parishioners! Mark your calendar for February 16 after the 9:30 Mass if you are new to the parish or just want to learn more about our programs and ministries.

Our fall **Salesian Retreat** and the **Simply Salesian** lecture series were opportunities for participants to grow in their understanding of how to include **Salesian Spirituality** in daily life. Join us for the winter Simply Salesian lecture series, *Praying with St. Francis de Sales*, which begins February 22 and 24, and for the 17th Annual *Live Jesus* at Our Lady of Good Counsel on Saturday, March 21.

Our 30 **homebound ministers** brightened the lives of home- and facility-bound parishioners in October with pumpkins painted by our Youth Group and with poinsettias in December.

Online Contributions have increased slightly since 2018. You can now contribute to Special Collections and specific ministries online in addition to your Sunday contributions. Participate and take the fuss out of remembering to write a check or missing a collection when you are away.

	2019	2018
Contribution Source	Oct-Dec	Oct-Dec
Check	\$422,869	\$410,360
Cash	\$55,346	\$69,564
Online	\$196,247	\$174,227
Percent Online	29%	27%

Contact Patty Kwapniewski if you would like assistance with setting up online contributions:

Email pkwapniewski@saintjn.org or call 703-860-6147.

Liturgical Training was held for four new Altar Servers and five Eucharist Ministers, and a refresher workshop was held for all Lectors this quarter. St. John Neumann has 60 Altar Servers, 58 Adult and 7 Youth Lectors, and 90 Eucharistic Ministers who actively participate in Liturgy.

During October through December:

Parishioners donated 900 gifts valued in excess of \$22,000 between the two Christmas gift programs. Your generosity is so appreciated!

Your purchases at the Fair Trade sale over Thanksgiving weekend not only helped the artisans, but also brought \$1,560 (10% of the total sales) to St. John Neumann ministries.

Special Collections' contributions totaling \$93,811 were distributed to the following charities:

\$38,059: Annual Oblate Appeal

\$13,927: Catholic Relief Services for Hurricane Dorian

\$ 7,135: Mission Cooperative

\$ 7,754: Archdiocese Military Services

\$ 6,532: Campaign for Human Development

\$10,880: Retired Religious

\$ 6,224: World Missions

\$ 3,300: Catholic University

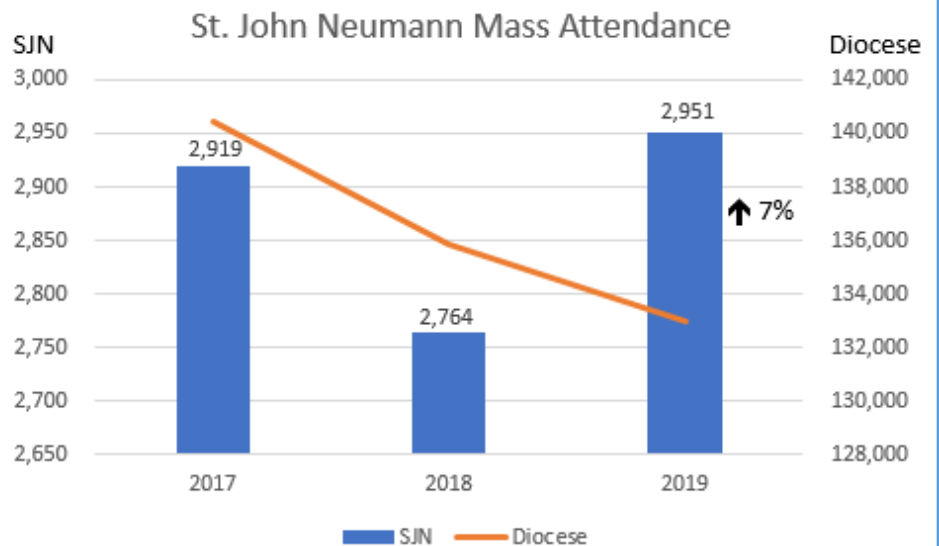
Cornerstone Thanksgiving

Baskets: Parishioners donated enough food to fill 150 baskets that were distributed to local families in need. Monetary donations in excess of \$3,700 were used to purchase gift cards, which were added to the baskets to buy poultry or meat.

Local and national charities received \$15,025 to further their work, and an additional \$13,600 was sent to religious communities.

Assistance with rent and utilities and food purchased and prepared by St. John Neumann volunteers for the Lamb Center and the Missionaries of Charity totaled \$7,600.

The **Greens Sales** and the **Baby Bottle** campaign raised \$15,000 to support services for pregnant women in need in our area.



Bishop Burbidge implemented a Mass attendance count for three weekends during October, beginning in 2017. The graph shows a steady decline in attendance across the Diocese, while St. John Neumann had a decrease in 2018, followed by a slight increase over 2017 in 2019.



INCOME:	Budget for Oct-Dec 2019	Actual for Oct-Dec 2019	Actual for Oct-Dec 2018
Offertory Revenue	\$ 781,400	\$ 792,684	\$ 793,356
Programs & Ministries	69,340	109,478	73,786
Other Sources	26,628	59,189	47,567
Total Income	\$ 877,368	\$ 961,351	\$ 914,709
EXPENSE:			
Clergy & Religious	\$ 39,389	\$ 36,700	\$ 47,385
Program & Ministries	541,868	505,727	513,518
Building	97,317	85,638	82,738
Administrative & Assessments	108,737	107,175	\$ 107,695
Total Expenses	\$ 787,311	\$ 735,240	\$ 751,336
Operating Income/(Loss)	90,057	\$ 226,111	\$ 163,373

Income for **Programs & Ministries** is 48% higher this quarter than the same quarter last year due to increases in several areas. Preschool Revenue, including preschool tuition, reflects the higher number of students enrolled in the 2019-20 school year. Additionally, money was collected earlier this school year for Work Camp, Faith Formation and Middle School's Branching Out programs.

Income for **Other Sources** is up 24% compared to the same quarter last year due to an increase in unrestricted donations.