

# BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH COMMUNITY

*To Help Everyone Recognize and Experience the Presence of God.*



## 2017-2018 ANNUAL REPORT



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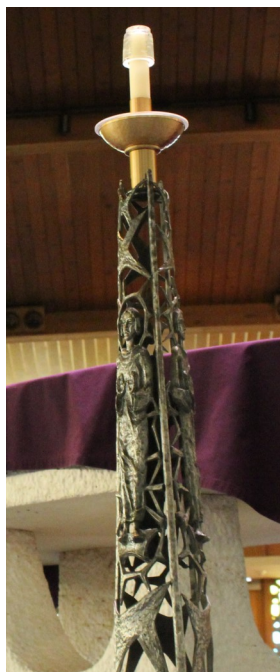




**Fr. Kevin Maksym,  
Pastor**

*“Let us  
always meet  
each other  
with a smile,  
for the smile  
is the  
beginning of  
love.”*

*-St. Teresa of  
Calcutta*



## *Message from the Pastor*

Dear friends of God,

One of the most beautiful aspects of our Catholic Christian faith is that we are always part of a Tradition. Our Catholic Tradition goes back to Jesus and the first disciples and has been shared around the world taking Jesus' command to

Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age.

(Mt 28:19-20)

In our Midland community, our Catholic faith has been shared so passionately for generations. These men and women of the past were inspired by the Holy Spirit and took the risk of creating a new parish. And all the good that we are able to accomplish today as Blessed Sacrament Church is based upon the loving generosity of our ancestors in faith. It is through our spiritual inheritance that we are able to even attempt to live out our parish mission statement, “to help everyone recognize and experience the presence of God.” We are called to continue to risk sharing God's love in our parish as we share the Good News of Jesus and build on this foundation for those who will come after us.

On October 8<sup>th</sup> we celebrate an important milestone in our history at Blessed Sacrament. The first mass of Blessed Sacrament Parish was celebrated at Northeast Intermediate School in November of 1952. As with most parishes at that time, a school was built first and mass was celebrated in the school building for a number of years. Finally, in 1967 the church building was completed and on October 8 of that year the church dedication was held. This year marks the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the church building dedication. In those 50 years so many important events have been celebrated in the life of our parish and in our parish families. We have celebrated several ordinations as well as countless baptisms, confirmations, first communions and also weddings and funerals. Generations of prayers have made this a sacred place. We are called by God to continue to make our church a place of deep prayer, welcome and love.

As you review this annual report, you will see how we are doing our best to live the redeeming mission of Jesus entrusted to us by the Lord and through the love of our ancestors in faith. It is through the stewardship of our members, both past and present, who have given their time, talent and treasure, that we are able to share our faith at Blessed Sacrament. We are fortunate to be able to share our faith in Jesus Christ through our Catholic Tradition and to provide faith and spiritual formation and educational opportunities for all members of our Blessed Sacrament community. Growing in our Tradition is a life-long endeavor. You will also notice how we, as a parish community, are able to reach out to others compassionately with our time, talent and treasure. As God's people of Blessed Sacrament, we are growing in faith and sharing Jesus' message of compassion like those who began our parish so many years ago.

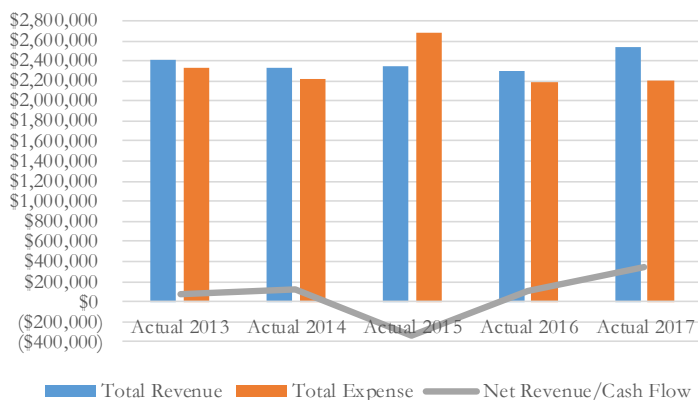
Much love,  
Fr. Kevin

*“Let us protect Christ in our lives, so that we can protect others, so that we  
can protect creation!” - Pope Francis*

## Year End Review

### Revenue & Expense Summary

For the 2016-17 fiscal year our Revenue was \$2,545,059 an increase of 11% over the prior fiscal year revenue. Revenue increased due to higher memorial and other donations and higher weekend collections.. Expenses were \$2,195,996 which were flat compared to the prior fiscal year. Expenses include employee salaries and benefits, utility costs, support for Parish school and ministries, outreach organizations and emergency assistance payments and general maintenance cost.



Description	Annual Budget	Budget for Fourth Qtr	Actual for Fourth Qtr	Annual Budget	Full Year Actual
<b>Revenue</b>					
Weekend Collection	\$1,817,026.31	\$432,262.53	\$415,104.68	\$1,817,026.31	\$1,846,044.03
Other Income	\$418,401.44	\$115,667.28	\$101,911.56	\$418,401.44	\$699,014.65
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$2,235,427.75</b>	<b>\$547,929.81</b>	<b>\$517,016.24</b>	<b>\$2,235,427.75</b>	<b>\$2,545,058.68</b>
<b>Expenses</b>					
Salaries	\$1,058,748.36	\$253,543.19	\$281,297.31	\$1,058,748.36	\$1,080,903.38
Payroll Taxes - SS & Medicare	\$78,608.65	\$18,151.14	\$20,056.33	\$78,608.65	\$75,664.06
Benefits	\$301,996.87	\$74,637.69	\$73,505.22	\$301,996.87	\$277,383.24
Utilities	\$85,725.08	\$20,577.30	\$18,457.13	\$85,725.08	\$76,303.91
Instructional Expenses	\$29,383.82	\$5,677.41	\$4,633.11	\$29,383.82	\$20,772.45
Office Supplies and Expense	\$32,860.00	\$6,935.88	\$3,824.66	\$32,860.00	\$20,065.56
Maintenance & Repairs	\$44,320.00	\$10,924.16	\$15,637.87	\$44,320.00	\$47,593.52
Property and Liability Insurance	\$48,850.00	\$11,835.69	\$12,625.77	\$48,850.00	\$50,503.08
Furnishings & Equipment	\$30,600.00	\$10,456.69	\$13,002.81	\$30,600.00	\$26,268.21
Service to Parishioners	\$31,800.00	\$6,226.88	\$6,646.48	\$31,800.00	\$30,489.85
Student Activities	\$84,902.72	\$44,392.98	\$40,735.94	\$84,902.72	\$65,656.72
Parish Tithe for Outreach	\$178,000.00	\$16,819.37	\$26,480.77	\$178,000.00	\$172,681.47
Service Contracts	\$71,005.51	\$12,784.76	\$14,626.26	\$71,005.51	\$71,411.40
Major Expenditures	\$75,000.00	\$23,370.01	\$7,453.00	\$75,000.00	\$11,814.99
Other	\$158,458.74	\$33,411.00	\$70,312.22	\$158,458.74	\$168,484.48
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>(\$2,310,259.75)</b>	<b>(\$549,744.15)</b>	<b>(\$609,294.88)</b>	<b>(\$2,310,259.75)</b>	<b>(\$2,195,996.32)</b>
<b>Net Revenue (Shortfall)</b>	<b>(\$74,832.00)</b>	<b>(\$1,814.34)</b>	<b>(\$92,278.64)</b>	<b>(\$74,832.00)</b>	<b>\$349,062.36</b>
<b>Net Revenue (Shortfall) Excl. Major Expenditures</b>	<b>\$168.00</b>	<b>\$21,555.67</b>	<b>(\$84,825.64)</b>	<b>\$168.00</b>	<b>\$360,877.35</b>

## *Emergency Funding 2016-2017*

Blessed Sacrament Parish has a long history of helping out those who are in need.

Along with the Christian Service Funding Grants, the parish sets aside Emergency Assistance Funds to help those who find themselves in need of assistance.

Below is a breakdown of how those monies have helped those in need this past year.



Emergency Need	Number of People Helped	Total Amount
Rent	165	\$16,596
Consumers	64	\$6,696
Gas	14	\$205
Propane	4	\$403
Water Bill	11	\$1,001
Car Repair	6	\$600
Medical	12	\$1,186
Other	8	\$946
<b>Total</b>	<b>284</b>	<b>\$27,632</b>



Blessed Sacrament has a great tradition of parishioner involvement in the various ministries that are a part of our parish. The total number of involvements is 2,103 with approximately 25% of parishioners actively involved with more than one ministry.

## *Christian Service Funding Grants 2016-17*

<b>Organization</b>	<b>Funding Amount</b>
Abortion Alternatives Information, Inc	\$3,500
Agape Community Transformation	\$2,000
Beaverton Quilters	\$1,000
Cancer Services	\$3,000
Cathedral of Mary of the Assumption - Saturday Breakfast Program	\$2,000
Cathedral of Mary of the Assumption - Children's Festival	\$700
Children's Christmas Store, Inc	\$1,000
Children's Grief Center - Great Lakes Bay Region	\$1,250
Eagle Village	\$3,000
East Side Soup Kitchen	\$4,000
Emmaus House	\$4,800
First Presbyterian Church - Food Pantry	\$1,750
Food Pantry at Saints Peter and Paul	\$1,750
Foster Closet	\$3,000
For A Brighter Tomorrow	\$2,000
Global Compassion	\$2,500
John H Goodrow Fund	\$2,500
Haiti Foundation Against Poverty	\$5,000
Hidden Harvest	\$5,000
King's Daughters Christmas Closet	\$1,000
Legacy Center for Community Success - Barton Reading Program	\$1,250
Love for Lukulu and Beyond	\$2,500
Midland Area Homes	\$2,500
Midland County Emergency Food Pantry Network (EFPN)	\$3,000
Midland Community Diaper Alliance	\$3,000
Midland County Former Offender & Advocacy Reform	\$3,000
Midland County Habitat for Humanity	\$2,000
Midland Kid's First	\$2,000
Midland Open Door	\$5,000
Midland Quiltmakers	\$700
Mid West Medical Mission	\$400
Mustard Seed Shelter	\$4,500
One Week, One Street (OWOS)	\$1,500
Partnership Center	\$1,500
Pregnancy Aid of Midland County	\$2,000
Reece Endeavour	\$2,000
Royal Family Kids Camp & Mentors	\$2,500
Salvation Army of Midland - SHARE program	\$2,500
Saved by God's Grace	\$2,500
Shelterhouse Council on Domestic Violence	\$1,000
Simple Blessings Quilters	\$700
St Paul's Soup Kitchen	\$4,000
The ROCK Center for Youth Development	\$2,500
The Stitch & Prayer Group - Assumption Parish	\$700
Toni & Trish House	\$5,000
West Midland Family Center	\$2,000
Wings of Mercy East Michigan	\$4,000
<b>Total Grants</b>	<b>\$115,000</b>

## Parish Budget for 2016-2017

Description	Annual Budget
<b>Revenue</b>	
Weekend Collection	\$1,817,026
Other Income	\$438,401
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$2,255,428</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	
Salaries	\$1,078,978
Payroll Taxes - SS & Medicare	\$79,794
Benefits	\$298,714
Utilities	\$83,225
Instructional Expenses	\$24,384
Office Supplies and Expense	\$29,860
Maintenance & Repairs	\$44,320
Property and Liability Insurance	\$48,850
Furnishings & Equipment	\$30,600
Service to Parishioners	\$31,800
Student Activities	\$79,903
Parish Tithe for Outreach	\$178,000
Service Contracts	\$71,006
Major Expenditures	\$75,000
Other	\$154,459
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>(\$2,308,893)</b>
<b>Net Revenue (Shortfall)</b>	<b>(\$53,465)</b>
<b>Net Revenue (Shortfall) - (excl Major Expenditures)</b>	<b>\$21,535</b>



### Parish Statistics

Catholic Households	1699
Number of Catholics in Parish	6123
RCIA	
Catechumens	6
Candidates	4
Baptisms	36
Marriages	11
Deaths	41
Confirmations/First Eucharist	48

*“Wherever your treasure lies, there will your heart be...” Luke 12:34*



School and  
Faith  
Formation

No. of Students:

School - 123  
Faith - 446  
Formation

School Teachers-  
9

Faith Formation  
Catechists-  
67

## *Outreach: Mission Co-Op*

Each year we have a Mission Cooperative Appeal through the Diocesan Mission Office. We have been given permission to use the Haiti and Uganda outreach efforts for our Mission Cooperative Collection.

We collected during the month of June 2017 a total of \$8,967.82. Donations can be earmarked to specific organization with the balance split equally to:

- Uganda Martyr's Parish in Africa \$ 4,983.91
- Kay Lasante Clinic in Haiti \$ 3,983.91

## *Parish Data*

### Parish Data

Need your help in keeping our parishioner information up-to-date. Please make sure the Parish has your contact information (address, home and cell phone, email, etc.). This information is very important and allows us to share Parish activities and events with you. Please let us know if you have made any change in your contact information by calling the Parish center or email to Admin@blessed-midland.org.. In your email please include name, address and telephone numbers.

## *Catholic Services Appeal 2016*



Target Amount	\$200,539
Total Amount Pledged	\$309,948.53
Total Paid To Date	303,747.97
Pledge Balance	\$6,200.56
No. of Pledges	911
Average Pledge	\$340.23

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