ANNUAL REPORT



PASTOR Rev. Garrett McIntyre PAROCHIAL VICAR Rev. Blake Dubroc

BREAUX BRIDGE

LAFAYETTE Diocese

A brief summary of the administrative and ministerial endeavors at St. Bernard Catholic Church during the July 2020 - June 2021 fiscal year.

Dear Parishioners,

Once again, we are happy to present an annual report of the fiscal and ministerial updates our parish has seen in the fiscal year July 2020-June 2021. It is important to me that you all have an understanding and appreciation for where your church parish stands in these important areas of parish life.

In June of 2020, our parish retired the Church Interior Renewal debt from the 2016 renovation of our beautiful church. Since then, our financial goal has been focused on growing church savings in anticipation of beginning the 175th Anniversary projects that I introduced to you all in November 2021. A large portion of what we were able to save over the past year will go toward our restoration and growth projects.



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I know you are all aware of the challenges we faced with last year's worldwide pandemic. It affected every area of our lives and continues to do so. Since the summer of 2020, we have been striving to rebuild our parish, welcome back those who have been away, and continue to cooperate with the Holy Spirit in the efforts of the New Evangelization.

There has been much talk over the past year about how well parishes adapted to life during quarantine. Parishes provided online resources and drive-thru events and countless other creative ways of remaining connected. An area of main concern for me post-quarantine, however, has been welcoming parishioners back to mass and in-person events. The ministerial life of the parish is going well. **Mass attendance numbers have recently risen to what they were prior to the pandemic.** Our efforts in establishing small groups have helped connect people with other parishioners. Together, St. Bernard parishioners are experiencing growth in their intellectual and spiritual lives.

With your continued assistance, we are living the mission to which Jesus calls us: "Go and make disciples of all nations." **The citizens of Breaux Bridge deserve to hear the Gospel message presented clearly and effectively.** There is much work to do. You all continue to be a crucial part of that message. Thank you for supporting the work of the Church. May the Lord continue to bless us and may we never cease to do His holy will.

In Christ,

Fr. Comett Mechty

Fr. Garrett McIntyre

ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATES

ST. BERNARD PERSONNEL

| Full time: | 4 | |
|----------------------|----|------|
| Part time: | 4 | |
| Ancillary positions: | 10 | **** |

Clergy

Rev. Garrett McIntyre, Pastor Rev. Blake Dubroc, Parochial Vicar Deacon Marcel "Butch" Hebert, Jr. Deacon Jim Davis Deacon Shawn Gautreaux

Staff

Michele Frederick, Administrative Assistant & Bulletin Christine Angelle, Cemetery Administrator Kelli LeBlanc, Director of Faith Formation Kaitlin Davis, Middle School Formation Coordinator Deirdre Soileau, Bookkeeper Chasity Soileau, Office Assistant Anton van de Klundert, Maintenance Supervisor Carlton Degetaire, Maintenance Assistant

St. Bernard Catholic School





Students: 359

Families: 266

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First Mass at St. Agnes Nursing Home



St. Bernard welcomes Deacon Nick





St. Bernard Students with Deacon Nick on his last day

FAITH FORMATION

| MINISTRY | | STAT | ISTICS |
|---------------------------------|------|--------|--|
| Epith Comp | - ZF | 80 | Children |
| Faith Camp | | 10 | Volunteers |
| Edge (6th-8th grade) | | 10 | Children |
| Rooted (3rd-5th grade) | | 10 | Children |
| RCIA | | 3 2 | Candidates Completed Catholics Attended Classes |
| Come, Lord Jesus | | 8 | Adults |
| Bible Study | | 20-25 | Adults per Meeting |
| Fall Marriage & Family Series | | 40 | Participants |
| Love and Testify Advent Mission | | 4 | Nights |
| with Dumb Ox Ministries | | 100 | Participants |
| Small Groups | | 12 | Total Groups |
| Summer Small Groups | | 129 | Participants |
| | | 11 | Groups |
| Fall Small Groups | | 45 | Average Participants |
| Marriage Prep | | 24 | Engaged Couples |
| | | 5 | Convalidations |
| | | 29 | Mentor Couples |
| | | 4 | Theology of Marriage Retreats |

Seminarians



Seminarian Nico Broussard sponsored by St. Bernard











COMMUNITY LIFE

| MINISTRY | | STATISTICS |
|--|---------|---|
| | | 3171131163 |
| Theology on the Bayou | 5 | Nights |
| Knights of Columbus | 145 | Members |
| | \$1000 | Donated to Catholic Youth Leadership Award |
| | \$2550 | Donated to Arc of St. Martin, St. Bernard/ St. Francis Eye Glass, and Special Olympics |
| | \$2000 | Donated to St. Bernard/St. Francis Food Pantry |
| | \$850 | Donated to Hurricane Laura and Ida Relief |
| | \$600 | Donated to Tunes on the Teche |
| St. Joseph's Altar Committee 12-15 200-30 | 12-15 | Members |
| | 200-300 | People fed per Feast Meal |
| Martha's Guild | 8 | Parishioners |
| Catholic Daughters of America | 266 | Members |
| Altar Society | 229 | Members |
| | 11/1 | |





Fr. McIntyre's 10-Year Ordination Anniversary Reception



A TRANSPORT

RCIA Graduates

Parishioners Donating to Hurricane Laura Relief



Theology on the Bayou talk at Bayou Teche Brewery



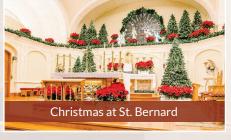


SACRAMENTS & LITURGY

| MINISTRY | STATISTICS |
|-------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Baptism | 74 Children |
| First Communion | 64 Children |
| First Communion | 9 Adults |
| | 1 Child |
| Confirmation | 67 Teens |
| | 16 Adults |
| Matrimony | 31 Marriages |
| | 21 Funerals Only |
| Funerals | 28 Burials Only |
| | 99 Funerals & Burials |
| | 148 Deaths |
| Altar Servers | 37 Children |
| Extraordinary Ministers | 57 Church — |
| Extraor unity transfers | 15 Homebound |
| Lectors | 31 Adults |
| Adoration Chapel | 217 Adorers |
| | 49 New Adorers |
| Youth Adoration | 5 Youth Adorations |
| | 10 Average Attendance of Childre |
| Choir | 21 Members |
| | 4-5 Members in Young Adult Choir |
| Eucharistic Processions | 3 Processions |
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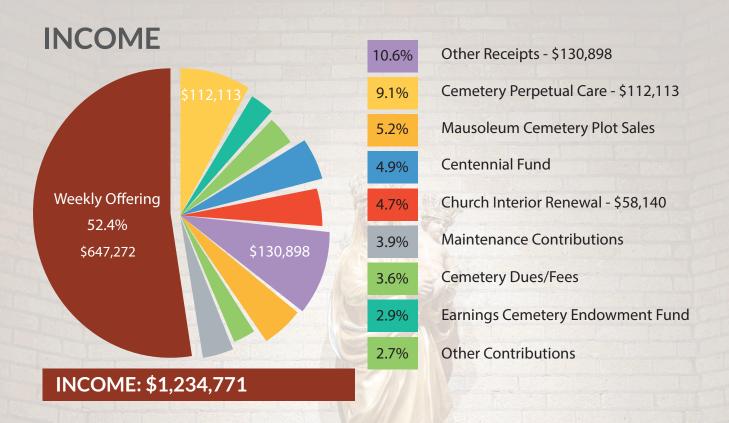


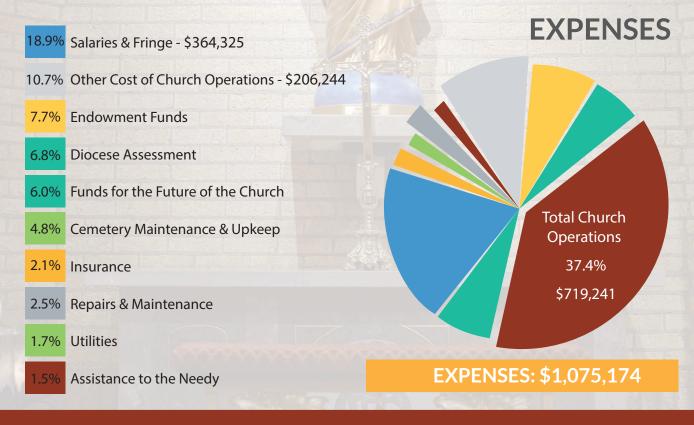






FINANCES





Total Income: \$1,234,771

Total Expenses: \$1,075,174

Net Income Over Expenses: + \$159,597



CURRENT FISCAL YEAR



In 2022, we are celebrating 175 years of St. Bernard parish. The 175th Anniversary Campaign includes five projects (right) to restore and grow our historic Church in the heart of downtown Breaux Bridge, LA.

175th Anniversary of St. Bernard Parish

Restore Reredos + Side Altars + Confessionals
Seal Church Exterior
Construct Walkway + Courtyard
Preserve Bell Towers
Aquire New Building