



OUR PRESENT

OUR FUTURE



Dear St. Catherine Parish Family,

I am happy to present to you our Parish Annual Report for the 2016-2017 fiscal year. This year's annual report includes an overview of the current state of our parish as well as information regarding future aspirations and goals we hope to achieve in the coming years.

As I begin my second year as your pastor, I want to express my gratitude to all of you for your wonderful support of me and our parish this past year. It has truly been an inspiring year for me to witness the generosity and dedication of so many of our parishioners. I pray that the Lord will continue to bless our efforts to help build up our community of faith by living the mission of our parish: *Under the protection of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the parishioners of St. Catherine of Siena strive to live as committed disciples of Jesus Christ through prayer, education, fellowship, and charity.*

Please know of my prayers for all of you and your families in my daily holy hours and Masses. If you have any questions about our annual report, or if there is ever anything I can do for you, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely in Christ,

Fr. Neil Shalivah

Fr. Neil





OUR PARISH



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St. Catherine of Siena is a Catholic Church in the Archdiocese of Atlanta serving approximately 2,500 households. We have consecrated our parish to our Blessed Mother, who is the model for us of what it means to be committed disciples of Jesus. We are an active stewardship parish and have generous parishioners who consistently give of their time, talent, and treasure. Our current regular weekly giving averages approximately \$37,000, and our annual operating budget is over \$2 million, not including the operations of our preschool and grade school. Additionally, we currently have a debt of approximately \$1.8 million from past building and land acquisitions associated with our rectory, parish offices, and schools. Our physical plant is very large, consisting of our church, parish offices, grade school, preschool, convent for our Dominican Sisters who staff our grade school, and our rectory for our priests. This year we were able to devote

considerable resources to upgrading our facilities, particularly our security camera and fire systems, as well as renovating several spaces used for various ministries, including our adoration chapel.



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We hope to continue to strengthen ministry participation and engage as many of our parishioners as possible in the life of our parish. With regard to stewardship of treasure, in the next year, we hope to significantly increase our participation in online giving and to consistently reach a weekly offertory giving total of \$45,000 to support the growth we are seeing in both the size and activity of our parish community.

Additionally, we are exploring our future needs to provide for long term financial stability, including retiring our debt, and for facilities maintenance and expansion. Finally, over the next three years we will implement the recommendations of our recent energy audit to ensure that we are utilizing our facilities resources in the most efficient way possible.

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2016 - JUNE 30, 2017 (unaudited)

INCOME AND EXPENSE SUMMARY

Income	2017	2016
Offertory	\$2,061,183	\$1,919,867
Debt Reduction	93,370	61,075
Preschool	500,344	478,682
Religious Education	62,096	66,623
Youth	55,343	44,284
Georgia Bulletin	10,008	10,253
Interest	7,103	5,495
Donations	47,258	12,029
Archdiocese Appeal	19,605	31,380
All Other Income	43,340	41,565
Total	\$2,899,650	\$2,671,253

Expenses

Liturgy	\$212,637	\$235,432
Evangelization	11,295	13,355
Religious Education	166,061	167,862
Technology	18,500	41,083
Youth*	87,115	116,760
Preschool	478,667	454,891
Administration	493,640	493,639
Facilities	473,724	341,290
Rectory	37,802	41,005
Music	106,825	107,686
Mortgage Interest	83,303	60,420
Archdiocesan Assessments	464,374	505,242
Georgia Bulletin	18,032	18,494
Total	\$2,651,975	\$2,597,159

Net Before Debt Reduction	\$247,675	\$74,094
Debt Reduction	171,903	\$69,580
Net After Debt Reduction	75,772	\$4,514

*Reduction due to reclassification of support staff to other areas

BALANCE SHEET SUMMARY

Assets

Cash	\$216,748
Savings on Deposit	528,230
Endowment	27,803
Land, Building & Equipment	12,445,910
Total Assets	\$13,218,691

Liabilities & Net Assets

Accrued Expenses	\$32,141
Prepaid Tuition	106,515
Parish Loan Payable	1,858,751
Exchange Accounts (in/out)	55,227
Total Liabilities	\$2,052,634
Total Net Assets	\$11,166,057
Total Liabilities & Net Assets	\$13,218,691



A PARISH OF PRAYER

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We have a beautiful church that provides a sacred space for prayer. We have reverent and traditional liturgies with inspiring sacred music and various choirs for adults and children. We also have an active sacramental life with perpetual adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, many opportunities for the Sacrament of Confession throughout the week, and other traditional spiritual devotions, including the praying of the Rosary and a weekly parish holy hour with exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and benediction.

Sacraments

Baptisms	166	First Communions	210
Confirmations	182	Weddings	29

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We hope to further promote an appreciation for the beauty of sacred music and increase participation in our various choirs. We also hope to increase the number of people participating in Eucharistic adoration and devotions to our Blessed Mother, as well as the number of our parishioners taking advantage of the Sacrament of Confession. Additionally, we hope to strengthen our ministry to pray for and promote vocations to priesthood and religious life and to encourage young men and women from our parish, in particular, to consider a vocation.



A PARISH OF EDUCATION

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We have vibrant religious education programs for both children and adults in English and Spanish. We are blessed to have an excellent Parish School of Religion serving our families in the parish with about 800 children in grades K-12 enrolled in classes on Sundays or Wednesdays. We also have a wonderful preschool serving almost 200 children beginning at age 16 months, and an excellent grade school for children in grades K-8 staffed by the Dominican Sisters of St. Cecilia, serving almost 400 children.

We are also blessed to have a strong program for adult faith formation with several small group studies throughout the week, a large quarterly major speaker event, a Sunday morning adult faith formation class with a typical attendance of about 100 adults, and an annual parish mission. Our Hispanic community also offers a solid program of evangelization and formation for our Spanish-speaking adults. In addition, we have a nine-month RCIA program of weekly formation and preparation sessions for those who wish to become Catholic and for adult Catholics seeking the Sacrament of Confirmation. In all our religious education programs, we are committed to promoting a love for the truths of the Catholic faith as taught by the Magisterium of the Church.

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We hope to increase enrollment in our schools to near capacity in the next few years and to continue to offer generous tuition assistance in order to allow for Catholic education to be accessible to our families. In addition, we hope to grow participation in our various adult faith formation classes and programs. We are implementing a new parish-wide discipleship program especially for men, and we would also like to increase opportunities for parents to attend adult faith formation classes by offering childcare. Additionally, we will be expanding faith formation opportunities using new media, such as online self-study programs, online streaming adult faith formation classes, and new resources available on our parish website and social media sites.



A PARISH OF FELLOWSHIP

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We are a warm, welcoming parish that embraces a diversity of ethnic communities. We have a variety of parish ministries that provide fellowship for children, teens, adults, and special groups such as seniors and widows. Several of our adult programs include opportunities for fellowship around the table, such as our Sunday morning adult faith formation, our quarterly major speaker series, our Siena Seniors social events, our Lenten Friday fish fries, and our Oktoberfest celebration. Our Hispanic community also sponsors a wonderful annual parish gala as well as a lively parish-wide fiesta. In addition, our especially strong Knights of Columbus and Columbiettes councils offer fellowship opportunities and support other parish groups in providing fellowship.

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We hope to continue to strengthen our sense of fellowship and family by providing more opportunities for parishioners and families to come together for social activities in order to build up our community in faith. In addition, we are striving to strengthen our middle school and teen ministry programs to provide our youth with a strong sense of community where they can grow together in faith. We also plan to strengthen our greeter ministry to make sure parishioners and visitors feel welcome as they come to Sunday Mass. And finally, we are continuing to expand our efforts to welcome our new parishioners, so that they truly feel like they are a vital part of our parish family.



A PARISH OF CHARITY

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Our parishioners are quite active in many works of charity within the parish, such as our ministries to the sick and homebound and those with disabilities. Our Thanks for Giving Ministry also assists parishioners with needs around Thanksgiving and Christmas. Beyond the parish as well, our parishioners are active in many works of charity in the community. We have a strong St. Vincent de Paul Society with a food pantry and an expansive thrift store, which provides personal assistance to those in need. This past year our St. Vincent de Paul conference gave almost \$300,000 in financial assistance to those in need in our community. This was the largest amount of assistance given by any conference in the Archdiocese of Atlanta this past year. We also have a high level of participation by parishioners in Habitat for Humanity, as well as an active Respect Life ministry that promotes a culture of life, and support organizations such as Pregnancy Aid Clinic. Additionally, we support several other national and international ministries and organizations including the Knights of Columbus Wheelchair Mission, Catholic Relief Services, Catholic Charities of Atlanta, and Holy Family Hospital in Bethlehem.

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It is our desire that our parish be known as a great advocate for the poor and vulnerable. We hope to continue to expand our Respect Life ministry and to grow parishioner participation in our various outreach ministries in the parish and in the community, particularly through St. Vincent de Paul. We also hope to expand outreach beyond our community by supporting more international organizations, and to organize annual parish mission trips with the Missionaries of the Poor to help those in need in developing nations.

