

OUR PARISH BY THE NUMBERS

July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018

1703	Households
235	New households registered
500+	Masses offered
72	Infant Baptisms
102	First Communions
36	Funerals
18	Weddings
393	Registered in Faith Formation classes (K through grade 12)
82	Parish children who attend Corpus Christi Catholic School (K through grade 8)
14	Parish children who attend Corpus Christi pre-school
16	Parish children who attend Catholic high schools
16	Confirmations
3,500+	Visits to shut-ins
200+	Hours scheduled for Reconciliation
190	Households who donate electronically or via credit card
16+	Care facilities in Holland and Zeeland visited regularly
948	Households that are mailed envelopes
500+	Liturgical ministers and choir members
100	Families helped with Thanksgiving and/or Christmas baskets
50-75	Households <i>per month</i> helped through St. Vincent de Paul Center with food, furniture, or clothing
350+	Hours scheduled for Eucharistic Adoration
300+	Visits to people at Ottawa County jail and juvenile facility



Father Charlie's anniversary celebration!

Highlights of our financial report

- Excluding spending from our capital campaign, our fiscal 2018 receipts exceeded our expenditures by \$91,645; without the use of the campaign funds, our surplus would have been reduced to \$58,287.
 - Part of this surplus reflects increased giving: our offertory collection was 4% higher than in fiscal 2017.
 - Unfortunately, this surplus also reflects a serious gap: we had no youth minister during this fiscal year. We're grateful that Liz Markovicz has been hired to fill this important position.
 - We can use this surplus to build our reserve for future maintenance projects, including a pending roof repair of more than \$100,000 and extensive repairs for the Corpus Christi Center (a building that houses our Catholic school as well as religious education for Our Lady of the Lake and St. Francis).
- Our giving through the offertory varies considerably from one month to the next, making budgeting difficult.
 - While almost 950 households are mailed envelopes, fewer than 300 are returned in the offertory.
 - One way to ensure consistent giving is to donate electronically; 190 households are already doing this. It's easy and safe. Please click on "Online Giving" from the parish website stfrancisholland.org. Our parish will benefit if we increase these numbers.
- Catholic Services Appeal 2017 (completed in March 2018) was successful. We met our diocesan assessment, and also raised funds to replace our outdated, failing lighting controls.
 - The two largest gifts to CSA, which were key to our success, came from visitors.
- Monthly financial updates, as well as a more complete fiscal 2018 financial report, are posted on our parish website. stfrancisholland.org/financecouncil