



DIVINE MERCY PARISH

SACRED HEART CHURCH • ST. PHILIP THE APOSTLE CHURCH

# STEWARDSHIP REPORT FISCAL 2020

**Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have;  
God is pleased by sacrifices of that kind.  
Hebrews 13:16**

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### PASTOR'S INTRODUCTION

Talk about change! My goodness, so much has happened since our last State of the Parish report.

The pandemic has impacted all of our lives and the life of this parish. The good news is that Divine Mercy parish continues to pursue the mission of Christ in the world. Our methods may have changed, but the mission remains the same.

Initially, when we could not open our churches for Mass, we adjusted to these trying times with a daily e-blast and a spiritual reflection podcast Monday through Saturday. Even with our re-opening, we've continued this internet presence. We've made two complete rounds of phone calls to parishioner households to keep in touch and ask how we might help our people.

Parishioners have stepped up, creating the Love Your Neighbor initiative and volunteering their time and energy to help sanitize the church as folks enter for Mass. We livestream the 5:00 Saturday evening and the 10:00 Sunday morning Masses from Sacred Heart, and we will soon livestream the 8:00 Sunday morning Mass from St. Philip. We've also created a parish newsletter highlighting parishioner stories of commitment and dedication to ministry. The first issue was sent to every household in the parish. The Alpha program continues virtually. We also host a new Sunday morning Virtual Cafe where people gather to spend 30 minutes unpacking the scriptures and the homily, while they get to know each other.

Good things, new things, wonderful things are happening. None of this happens without your sacrificial giving and financial support. Thank you so much! God bless you and all those whose myriad of gifts enable Divine Mercy parish to continue making disciples, building Church and serving others!



### A NOTE FROM THE DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS

While reflecting on the events of this past year around the globe and in our own country, I feel a wide range of emotions, not all of which are positive. To say that these past months have been challenging is an understatement, but I join the ranks of many who are grateful for all the blessings we have received.

Here at Divine Mercy, I generally sort through the events of most days and realize that I feel an immense sense of gratitude. Gratitude for the people in our parish, gratitude for the gift of working with incredibly talented colleagues, gratitude for the opportunity to make even a small bit of positive impact in this world, gratitude for meaningful friendships, gratitude for Divine Mercy.

As David Steindl-Rast, a Benedictine monk, said so beautifully, "The root of joy is gratefulness...It is not joy that makes us grateful, it is gratitude that makes us joyful." Those words sum up my wish for you, my fellow parishioners.

Wishing you lives filled with joy and gratitude,



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### DIVINE MERCY VISION STATEMENT

As we articulate in our vision statement,

“Divine Mercy Parish is a Welcoming Community that inspires Disciples of Jesus to Share God’s Love and Transform the World.”

Our vision is very much “alive and well,” even in light of the unprecedented circumstances we face.

### SENIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM

One of the keys to moving forward has been the establishment and work of the Senior Leadership Team (SLT), whose members include:

Fr. Steven Lanza, Pastor  
Jim Dietz  
Kristin Fink  
Claudia Goodrich  
Sue Lehocky  
Judy Pyke  
Michelle Wasielewski

What exactly is the role of the SLT and why is it important? This team is given the task of sharing the responsibility with the pastor to implement the vision of renewal and revitalization. As Father Steve likes to say, the team keeps his feet to the fire as we build our new reality.

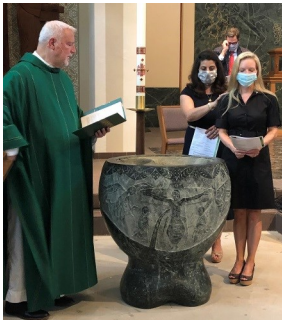
For the last two years, our SLT has been working to move Divine Mercy Parish forward into the “new reality,” a goal articulated by Cardinal Cupich and fully embraced by Father Steve and our SLT members.

As we have adjusted our efforts given the unique times and constraints we face as a result of the Coronavirus pandemic, the SLT has more recently focused its primary efforts on developing a short-term (i.e., six month) plan to continue those efforts to pursue our mission and to articulate the core values and root beliefs that the Parish Stewardship Council will utilize in developing a longer-range strategic plan for Divine Mercy Parish.

The SLT also spent over a year discerning the Mass schedule change that was released to the parish during the summer of 2020, when we reopened our churches to parishioners to celebrate Mass.

### MASS SCHEDULE CHANGE

For nearly a year leading up to this past spring, much of our SLT’s efforts were focused on the idea that a change to our then-existing Mass schedule was both necessary, and warranted, based on a thorough review of the data at hand. When the coronavirus pandemic swiftly forced the closure of all parishes in the Archdiocese of Chicago for several months in the spring, our original plans for introducing a new schedule effective July 1, coinciding with Father Mike’s retirement, necessitated a revision to our initial strategy and we made the decision to gradually introduce the new Mass schedule once the churches were able to reopen. Although we have yet to reintroduce the final Mass in our new schedule, the 4:30 pm Sunday Mass at Sacred Heart Church, it has been a joy to reopen our doors and welcome those who feel comfortable attending Mass in person.



### KEEPING DIVINE MERCY SAFE!

Beginning even before day one of the Illinois shelter-at-home order and continuing today, we are doing everything in our power to keep everyone who enters our buildings safe. To that end, we have:

- Invested in necessary PPE resources, including microstatic misting machines, plexiglass partitions, hand sanitizer, gloves, masks, face shields, cleaning disinfectants, etc.
- Established Reopening Teams of volunteers to safely welcome back parishioners to our church, children to our school and children to our Children’s Ministry program, following all of the health and safety protocols established by the Archdiocese of Chicago, the Illinois Department of Public Health and the Centers for Disease Control.
- Established rigorous protocols to ensure that Sacred Heart School students are safe, from the moment they arrive onsite to departure.



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- Recruited an amazing group of volunteers to serve as greeters and ushers at each of our liturgies. We cannot begin to give these volunteers enough thanks for stepping up to ensure that we are able to worship as a faith community in a safe environment.
- Clearly identified socially-distanced spacing in both churches to ensure the safety of all who choose to come indoors.

We have also developed creative ways to bring our vision to life:

- Livestreamed Masses
- An outdoor drive-in Mass, with FM transmission, which we will be doing more of in the future
- Daily scripture reflections and podcasts from Father Steve
- An increased presence on social media
- Increased communications across all platforms

And, of course we continue to meet virtually via Zoom and Microsoft Teams! On any given day, at least one of the following groups are meeting virtually:

- Parish Stewardship Council
- Parish Finance Council
- Senior Leadership Team
- Parish Staff
- Scripture Groups
- Alpha Groups
- Children's Ministry Classes
- Various Archdiocesan Groups

While our parish offices remain closed, personnel are staggering hours in the office as necessary to accomplish the work of the parish. All staff are set up to remotely log into office computers so as not to miss a beat!

### PAYROLL PROTECTION PROGRAM

Based upon a directive from the Archdiocese of Chicago to all parishes and schools, both Divine Mercy Parish and Sacred Heart School applied for, and received, Payroll Protection Program (PPP) loans from the Small Business Administration in the amounts of \$200,767 and \$307,475, respectively. Consistent with the intent of this program, we applied for these loans with a goal of retaining our teachers, school administrators, and parish staff members and enabling them to maintain uninterrupted income levels during a period in which we faced tremendous uncertainty. We are proud of the manner in which everyone in our Divine Mercy family rose to the occasion to meet the needs of our students, our parishioners, and the broader community. We are currently in the process of applying for forgiveness of these loans, which we strictly used to pay payroll and utility costs, in accordance with the legislation.



### REOPENING VOLUNTEERS

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### LITURGIES

Through careful liturgical planning, we have celebrated the following sacraments during this Coronavirus pandemic (Note that these numbers reflect activity through 10/31/20, since many sacraments were delayed until after our fiscal year end.):

28 baptisms, in both churches, as well as the courtyard at Sacred Heart Church and even in a park!

32 First Communions at 4 special liturgies across both church sites and also at regular weekday/weekend liturgies.

89 Confirmations at 4 special liturgies across both church sites and also at regular weekend liturgies.

Sacred Heart School graduation on the school playground for 12 students, whom we celebrated in unique fashion.

11 weddings across both churches with fewer guests in attendance but with incredible joy.

32 funerals across both churches with beautiful liturgies.



### FAREWELL TO FATHER MIKE!

In June 2020, we bid a fond farewell to Father Mike Solazzo, who served as Associate Pastor at Divine Mercy Parish for the past two years, following one year of service as the Administrator for the former St. Philip the Apostle Parish.

Parishioners arranged for a car parade at St. Philip the Apostle, which was festive and well attended, giving us an opportunity to celebrate Father Mike during these unusual times!

	Fall 2020	Fall 2019
Sacred Heart School Enrollment	213	205
Children's Ministry Enrollment*	196	305

\* Due to restrictions resulting from the Coronavirus epidemic, 2020 Enrollment is 64% of the prior year, compared to the Archdiocesan average of 50%.



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### WATCH DIVINE MERCY MASS VIA LIVESTREAM ON OUR WEBSITE

Immediately after our two churches were shut down in March, we, and apparently every other Catholic church in the country, worked to establish the ability to livestream one Mass per week. Do you recall how that looked? A presider, a musician, a cantor and a lector in an empty church livestreaming via a camera mounted on a tripod in front of the altar. Behind the scenes, a member of our staff was running through the nerve-racking paces of trying to get the livestream to work. Literally every week, we experienced a new problem and tensions were running high.

With no end in sight to the pandemic and based upon everything we are hearing about our future, and the future of church, in general, we began researching a permanent livestream solution. With advice of our Finance Council, we made the decision to invest in livestream systems in both of our churches. After obtaining a number of bids, we made our decision and put our plan into action. How things have changed! We are now successfully livestreaming from Sacred Heart Church and the St. Philip system is currently being installed.



In addition to weekend Masses, we are livestreaming weddings, funerals, First Communions and Confirmations. Since all of the Sacred Heart School children are not allowed to attend the traditional Wednesday morning Mass due to COVID protocols, we are even livestreaming Mass to the school!



We are grateful to you, our parishioners, for sticking with us during this trying time. It has been frustrating and we are pleased to finally be able to share our beautiful and uplifting Masses with those who are unable to join in person.

### LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AND OUTREACH EFFORTS

In answering God's call to love our neighbors as ourselves, we are proud of Divine Mercy Parish's efforts to do just that. We continue the efforts initiated at the onset of Illinois' shelter-at-home order to offer assistance to our brothers and sisters. By reaching out to our parishioners on a personal level, we have enabled conversations, errand-running, and other means of keeping in touch and maintaining human connections even during these uncertain times. New friendships have blossomed and our community is demonstrating what it means to love your neighbor. Our inaugural newsletter, "Disciples in Mission: Building Connections," which was mailed to all parish households earlier in the fall, highlights a few of these stories and illustrates the many ways in which our parishioners have risen to the occasion.

In addition, we continue to serve our neighbors beyond the parish, including our longtime outreach efforts, sharing parishes, as well as a local small business.



LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR

In April, many parishioners stepped forward enabling us to form a partnership with Three Tarts, a bakery and sandwich shop in Northfield and A Just Harvest, a soup kitchen in Rogers Park that Divine Mercy has served for many years. Because of the generosity of many Divine Mercy parishioners and friends, each month Three Tarts delivers 200 substantial meals to A Just Harvest for their newly revised "to go" and "delivery" meal service. Due to the



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pandemic and IDPH regulations, their dining room has been closed. This new system allows Divine Mercy to continue serving A Just Harvest, as well as to help keep a local business afloat. As of October, funds have been secured to continue this partnership through May, 2021.



The 8th grade Confirmation students in our Children's Ministry program have committed to supplying 150 lunches, at each in-person session, for distribution at Connections for the Homeless in Evanston. Connections, like A Just Harvest, has seen much greater need during the pandemic. These lunches include notes of hope and cheer for those who receive them.



The 7th grade students in our Children's Ministry program will be doing a food drive for the Northfield and New Trier Township Food Pantries. They, too, are seeing record demand, and this food drive will help stock the pantry for the cold months ahead.

Our Children's Ministry Families created beautiful and heartfelt artwork for local senior homes. This artwork included delightful messages for those who have been missing family and friends.



Our sharing parishes will also continue to be served. In August, a very successful Back to School Drive was held for Augustus Tolton Catholic Academy. Two carloads of school supplies were delivered, in addition to hundreds of dollars donated for new school uniforms.

Our long-time traditions of Thanksgiving and Christmas sharing, for both St. Benedict the African and St. Columbanus, will continue as well, but with a new look that ensures the safety of all who participate.

All of these efforts have been accomplished while upholding Archdiocese and Illinois Department of Public Health guidelines. Creativity, kindness and giving has been displayed time and time again, while sharing God's love and transforming the world around us.

## EVANGELIZATION AND LIFELONG FORMATION

An Evangelization Team was formed in early 2019 to help develop a culture of hospitality, welcome and invitation. We continue to provide opportunities to grow as disciples of Jesus. We are cultivating the soil as in the "Parable of the Sower" – through continuing the Alpha experience, and focusing on the "Weekend Experience" (Masses).

## ALPHA

Alpha is a series of interactive gatherings where guests have the opportunity to explore life and the Christian faith in a friendly and inviting atmosphere. No question is too simple or too complex. Alpha is run around the globe, and everyone is welcome to participate, Catholic or not, practicing or not, or just plain curious. Each session typically features a meal, a short high-quality film that looks at an aspect of faith, and conversation in small groups. We completed Season 1 of Alpha in December of 2019 and began Season 2 in January of 2020 with 30 guests. In mid-March, the pandemic required us to move our session online via Zoom. Members of our Alpha team participated in a multi parish online Alpha in late spring, sponsored by the Archdiocese, as a way to learn about online Alpha.

Alpha

In the fall 2020, the Alpha Team began Season 3 of Alpha completely online. Guests and facilitators gather weekly on Zoom to view a film together and then breakout in small discussion groups.

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### SOME FEEDBACK ON ALPHA FROM PARISHIONERS:

*If you yearn for greater purpose and meaning in your every day, consider trying Alpha. After the first gathering, you will sense the potential impact on your life. For me, it was an unexpected and profound gift!* Aimee G.

*I so enjoyed our small group sessions. It was a place to share, support, and strengthen the bonds of our Catholic Community.* Dona C.

*I had no idea what to expect but was pleasantly surprised. It helped me review my faith on another level and talk with others about it. I also was very surprised about the number of fellow Parishioners that attended.* George K.

*Alpha was the first experience that helped me to find a path to forgiveness in my heart. It would not have happened without the inspiring people I shared the Alpha journey with or the amazing overnight retreat. It was truly a life-changing experience.* Kirsten L.

*When I signed up for Alpha, I did not appreciate what I would experience. The program was a great way to get to know other parishioners. We became a closer group as the weeks went by. The videos were very powerful means to remind us of how wonderful it is to be a Catholic.* Joe M.

*The Alpha retreat was just what I needed. A chance to reflect, to pray, to share, to listen, to simply be... it gave me the opportunity to grow. The music, videos, discussions, camaraderie, meals, and time in the church all restored and refreshed me in different ways. I'm so thankful I carved out the time to do it!* Rita C.

### HOSPITALITY, WELCOMING AND INVITATION

Following the models from Divine Renovation and the Archdiocese of Chicago, the Evangelization Team has begun to focus on hospitality, welcoming and invitation during the "Weekend Experience" (Masses). We created plans for this new effort centered on greeting and a new Welcome and Information Center in the gathering space of each church. We planned to rollout this effort Easter weekend, and had to go back to the drawing board with the pandemic. Once our churches were reopened, we have been able to work with our reopening team of greeters and ushers to provide a warm welcome while following the required COVID safety protocols.

### LIFELONG FORMATION

We continue to collaborate with our Northshore grouping of parishes, as well as other parishes in the archdiocese to offer online programs for adult formation. Of note was a recent gathering of parishioners who joined Sr. Helen Prejean, author of *Dead Man Walking*, to discuss "The Church as Field Hospital for the Wounded of Society."

We promoted small prayer groups which were offered online by the archdiocese in the spring of 2020, while some of our parish small faith groups continued to meet online. We also began a new initiative called the Virtual Café, which invites parishioners to gather online via Zoom each Sunday to connect with each other and to reflect on the Sunday Gospel and/or homily.

All of these efforts are aimed towards fulfilling our parish vision to make disciples, build church and serve others while we inspire disciples of Jesus to share God's love and transform the world.

### NITE LITES SCHOOL FUNDRAISER

Nite Lites of Sacred Heart 2020 was a resounding success and certainly unique! By mid-March the event plans were fully solidified for the April 4th event, *A Nite in Monte Carlo* at a new venue that has never hosted Nite Lites, the Writers Theatre in Glencoe. Everything was set - the venue, the caterer, the vendor to supply and run the casino, the program for the night, the DJ, the invitations, and all the other details that make the event so special every year. However, like so many other things, the plans for Nite Lites 2020 had to be scrapped and reimagined in the face of the pandemic.

The 6th grade parents who had organized the event unwound everything lined up for the April 4th event and pivoted to a virtual format on a new date, April 25th. One immense blessing was that the silent auction and raise the paddle parts of the program were already set up for mobile/online bidding and donations, allowing use of that platform (GiveSmart), along with Zoom, to host and run the entire virtual event.

The virtual event had broad and enthusiastic attendance that continued on in the form of small group virtual gatherings well into the evening after the main event had concluded. Over the past handful of years, the Nite Lites event has typically had net income (revenue minus expense) in the range of \$200,000-220,000 that goes straight to supporting our school. Our sights were set on that range when planning the event at Writers Theatre but the virtual event brought more uncertainty. We have an amazing community that has always supported our school, and that community showed its dedication and generosity on April 25th to continue supporting our great school. The net income for the first ever virtual Nite Lites of Sacred Heart was just north of \$220,000 - truly a testament to our wonderful community and truly a blessing from God.



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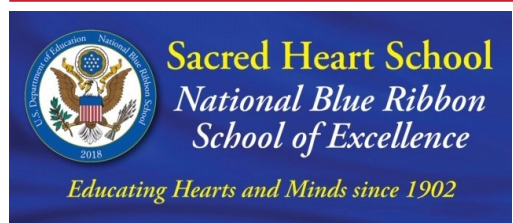
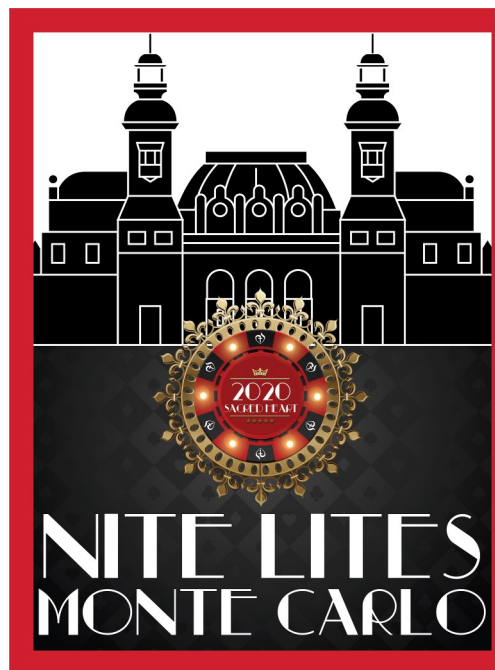
On March 17th, 2020, Sacred Heart School, along with all schools in the state of Illinois and many across the country, shifted to remote learning. Initially we did not know how long we would be learning in this new format, but we ended up finishing the school year remotely.

As we prepared for the 2020-2021 school year, the Archdiocese decided to have its schools focus on in-person learning, with the option for families to go remote. From there, the school teachers and staff (and many dedicated parent volunteers) devoted significant time and effort to prepare the school plant and implement detailed safety procedures for our August opening. Some of these updates include: wearing masks, social distance markers, specific hallway traffic flows, staggered arrival times, limited visitors, temperature checks before entering the building, etc.



Now three months into the 2020-21 school year, these safety updates and procedures are common practice for our students and staff. The joy and excitement of being together again is palpable, and we continue to resume - in revised formats - our school traditions that make our school community special. We are proud to report that on a recent visit from the Archdiocese, we were deemed to be following the safety protocols to an extremely high standard. The Archdiocesan representative applauded our school-wide efforts, a testament to the commitment to health and safety by our teachers, staff, students, and families.

One of our Sacred Heart School root beliefs is "our time together matters," and given the current circumstances, that could not be more true. Many people share our belief, as evidenced by our 61 new students, 22 of whom are in grades 1-8. Going to school isn't just about academic growth; in addition to a structure for learning, schools provide a stable and secure environment for developing social skills and peer relationships. Social interaction is particularly important for the development of language, communication, social, emotional, and interpersonal skills. We are so grateful to our teachers, staff, students and parents for their daily efforts to follow safety protocols to keep our school open and safe. We have witnessed how happy our students and staff are to be together for in-person learning, and are thankful for the time we've spent together.



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### CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

This has been an active year for Divine Mercy Children's Ministry, and we are gratified and inspired by the devotion of our children, families, catechists and members of the Children's Ministry Board.

While the pandemic shut down our in-person sessions in March, we nonetheless continued sending lessons to families digitally, while also finding other ways to engage them in the faith.

Throughout the summer, we held:

- Three Confirmations;
- Three First Communions;
- Many more individual sacraments held within weekend Masses;
- A first-ever online Vacation Bible School; and
- We launched online registration, drawing nearly 200 children for a specially designed 2020-2021 plan that fits Archdiocesan safety guidelines.

Our plan is based on a number of factors, both from the Archdiocese of Chicago and schools in our neighborhoods. In addition, the health and safety of our children and families remains our highest priority.

### THE KICKOFF

We kicked off the year with a Drive-In Family Mass in the St. Philip's parking lot, complete with great music, a homily for children, the Eucharist delivered to cars, and a chance for families to pick up curriculum materials with a treat in brand new red Divine Mercy bags! Since that Mass took place on the feast day of St. Francis of Assisi, we also invited families to bring their pets along for an in-car pet blessing!

### WHAT CHILDREN'S MINISTRY LOOKS LIKE FOR 2020-2021

We will feature:

- 3 Family Masses
- 2 Service Sundays and various service opportunities throughout the year, including a special partnership where 8th graders bring lunches for the homeless monthly
- 1 Saints Celebration
- 1 Movie Sunday
- 1 online Christmas Celebration
- Zoom classes taught by our outstanding, experienced catechists delivered in an easy-to-use format. We are sensitive to the overload already on families plates.

We are grateful for the opportunity to walk with our families on this faith journey and know that there is nothing more important than instilling the beliefs and teachings of our Catholic faith.





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### CAPITAL CAMPAIGN PROJECTS THROUGH 10/31/20

In conjunction with the launch of To Teach Who Christ Is (TTWCI), Sacred Heart Church conducted an independent capital campaign, Legacy of the Heart, with the active solicitation phase beginning in early 2017. We exceeded our goal of \$2.87MM, with actual pledges totaling \$3.1MM. Likewise, St. Philip the Apostle Church conducted its own TTWCI campaign in 2015, with pledges of over \$1MM, nearly doubling the goal of \$550K. As of October 31, 2020, we have completed the following projects at both church sites.

#### **Sacred Heart Church Legacy of the Heart Campaign**

Pledge Commitment (From 285 Donors)	
Amount Pledged Net of Cancellations	3,028,978
Pledged Amounts Collected	2,365,625
Pledge Balance Due	663,353

#### Major Projects:

School Boilers	243,756
School Hot Water Heater & Abatement	49,730
Church Windows & Abatement	260,740
Church & Rectory Roof <sup>1</sup>	23,246
Church Flooring & Paint <sup>2</sup>	333,711
Church Flooring Demo <sup>3</sup>	36,843
Other Miscellaneous	2,451
Capital Campaign Projects Total	\$950,477
Campaign Consulting Fees	\$150,000
Total Obligation to the Archdiocese	\$632,000

Interest Earned/Other Funds	244,813
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Remaining Balance as of 10/31/20	\$877,961
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#### **St. Philip the Apostle Church To Teach Who Christ Is Campaign**

Pledge Commitment (From 116 Donors)	
Amount Pledged Net of Cancellations	971,523
Pledge Amounts Collected	821,288
Pledge Balance Due	150,235

#### Major Projects:

Church Roof	276,917
Vestibule Renovation	55,311
Gym Renovation	119,097
Boiler	12,924
Sewer Work	49,009
Prep Financial Aid	55,000
Total Obligation to the Archdiocese	\$220,000

Interest Earned/Other Funds	114,926
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Remaining Balance as of 10/31/20	\$147,956
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<sup>1</sup> As previously reported to the parish, the original Sacred Heart campaign case statement provided for complete replacement of the church and rectory roofs. Based on assessments from professional roofing companies, we learned that complete replacement is not warranted at this time. We will, however, continue to inspect the roofs on an annual basis and make repairs as necessary, using funds remaining in the Legacy of the Heart account.

<sup>2</sup> As of the end of our fiscal year end, Divine Mercy was in the midst of a significant capital project, the repainting of Sacred Heart Church and the replacement of the carpeting. In order to provide you with a clearer picture of our campaign funds, we strategically chose to share with you the total costs of these projects which have since been completed, hence the reporting through 10/31/20.

<sup>3</sup> In the spring of 2020, we noticed that the Sacred Heart Church flooring was starting to buckle. After a thorough inspection by a civil engineer, the Finance Council approved the demolition of the church flooring using funds that although not originally included in the capital campaign case statement, were available due to the lack of need of full slate roof replacements.

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## FISCAL 2020 INCOME STATEMENT 7/1/2019-6/30/2020

	CHURCH	2020 REL ED	SCHOOL	TOTAL	2019 TOTAL
<b>OPERATING REVENUE</b>					
Sunday Collections <sup>1</sup>	1,000,780	-	-	<b>1,000,780</b>	1,099,361
Christmas Collection <sup>1</sup>	231,135	-	-	<b>231,135</b>	242,194
Easter Collection <sup>1</sup>	97,334	-	-	<b>97,334</b>	90,414
Tuition <sup>2</sup>	-	99,381	1,279,672	<b>1,379,053</b>	1,302,287
Fees <sup>2</sup>	-	845	129,846	<b>130,691</b>	143,970
Fundraising <sup>3</sup>	-	-	250,089	<b>250,089</b>	251,062
Rental Income <sup>4</sup>	268,561	-	22,500	<b>291,061</b>	291,217
Miscellaneous <sup>5</sup>	128,771	5,309	40,950	<b>175,030</b>	186,050
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>1,726,581</b>	<b>105,535</b>	<b>1,723,057</b>	<b>3,555,173</b>	<b>3,606,555</b>
<b>OPERATING EXPENSE</b>					
Salaries & Benefits <sup>6</sup>	802,407	129,268	1,466,882	<b>2,398,557</b>	2,383,672
Administrative	74,387	7,758	60,280	<b>142,425</b>	144,306
Books, Supplies & Technology	10,273	9,151	29,058	<b>48,482</b>	107,881
Utilities	140,010	143	68,535	<b>208,688</b>	240,206
Maintenance <sup>7</sup>	170,833	400	125,542	<b>296,775</b>	261,218
Liturgical Supplies	23,308	171	-	<b>23,479</b>	32,224
Insurance <sup>8</sup>	78,542	-	24,956	<b>103,498</b>	126,651
Archdiocesan Assessment <sup>9</sup>	215,775	-	8,585	<b>224,360</b>	245,631
Miscellaneous <sup>10</sup>	61,387	4,600	32,930	<b>98,917</b>	125,494
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>1,576,922</b>	<b>151,491</b>	<b>1,816,768</b>	<b>3,545,181</b>	<b>3,667,283</b>
<b>BEFORE SUPPORT OF EDUCATION</b>	<b>149,659</b>	<b>(45,956)</b>	<b>(93,711)</b>	<b>9,992</b>	<b>(60,728)</b>
Endowment Withdrawal <sup>11</sup>			-	-	124,553
Parish Support of Education	(93,711)	-	93,711	-	-
<b>FINAL OPERATING RESULTS<sup>12</sup></b>	<b>55,948</b>	<b>(45,956)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>9,992</b>	<b>63,825</b>



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### FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOOTNOTES

- 1) Collections – The Sunday collection totals for Divine Mercy reflect a decline of approximately \$99K, approximately 9%, from the prior year. The COVID-19 shutdown undoubtedly played a factor in this decline, even though we introduced a new text-to-donate feature and continued to highlight our parishioners' ability to donate online. Christmas collections fell approximately \$9K, or 4%, behind budget. Easter, occurring shortly after the shutdown, resulted in collections of \$7K, higher than budget. Again, consistent with the prior year, \$192,000 of our collections were gifts from our three most significant donors.
- 2) Tuition and Fees – The increase between years reflects the fact that both Sacred Heart School and the Children's Ministry programs at both sites experienced a slight increase in the amount of tuition charged. Fortunately, tuition for both programs is generally paid in the earlier months of the fiscal year and did not appear to be significantly impacted by the shutdown.
- 3) The most significant fundraising undertaking in the parish is Sacred Heart School's Nite Lites event. The net income from Nite Lites in a given year is recognized in the following year's operating budget; thus, the income recognized in FY 2020 is from the actual Nite Lites event that took place in April 2019. This contribution to operating results remains fairly consistent from year to year at approximately \$220,000. Generally speaking, any funds raised in excess of this amount are "saved" for future school projects in a balance sheet operating reserve account. Note that the highly-successful virtual event held in April 2020 is discussed elsewhere in this report.
- 4) Rental income originates from the lease of the school at St. Philip to Hyde Park Day School (HPDS) and the six-week summer rental of the Sacred Heart School site to Galileo Learning for a STEAM camp. Unfortunately, the Galileo camp was cancelled in the summer of 2020 and will not be a source of revenue going forward.
- 5) Miscellaneous - Miscellaneous income includes Mass stipends, stole fees (donations for the sacraments of baptism and marriage, Annual Catholic Appeal rebates, donations for scholarships and estates/bequests.
- 6) Salaries and Benefits remained relatively consistent from Fiscal 2019 to Fiscal 2020. As discussed elsewhere in this report, although Divine Mercy received PPP loans of \$508,242 those funds are reflected on the balance sheet as a liability at 6/30/20 and will continue to be reflected as such until the loans are forgiven. This Income Statement reflects the true cost associated with retaining all employees through fiscal year-end.
- 7) Overall expenses were reduced as a result of the shutdown, particularly, at Sacred Heart School. This reduction was offset, in part, due to an investment in Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) to reopen the churches.
- 8) Insurance – This represents the amount charged the parish by the Archdiocese of Chicago to cover the cost of property and casualty coverage, as charged to Divine Mercy by the Archdiocese.
- 9) Archdiocesan Assessment – This represents the amount charged the parish by the Archdiocese of Chicago based on a multiplier of church collection income and the number of students enrolled at Sacred Heart School.
- 10) Miscellaneous – The increase is attributable to some of the administrative costs associated with the merger, as well as costs to fund the pilot season of Alpha.
- 11) Endowment Withdrawal—Sacred Heart School did not receive funds from the endowment in fiscal 2020.
- 12) Net Operating Results—Again, PPP funds are not reflecting in operating profit and loss.

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## BALANCE SHEET 6/30/2020

### ASSETS

#### Current Assets

##### Checking/Savings

Cash	\$	1,821,415
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Operating Savings at Arch Bank	\$	826,834
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<i>Legacy of the Heart Funds/TTWCI*</i>	\$	1,389,995
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Total Checking/Savings	\$	4,038,244
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School Endowment	\$	3,045,485
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Total Current Assets	\$	7,083,729
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<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>7,083,729</b>
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### LIABILITIES & EQUITY

#### Liabilities

##### Current Liabilities

Accounts Payable	\$	55,448
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Credit Card	\$	17,900
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##### Other Current Liabilities

Prepaid Tuition/Fees/Lease	\$	85,808
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Other Current Liabilities	\$	743,305
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PPP Proceeds-Church/School	\$	508,242
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Total Other Current Liabilities	\$	1,337,355
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Total Current Liabilities	\$	1,410,703
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Total Equity	\$	5,673,026
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<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>7,083,729</b>
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\*Balance reflected at 6/30/2020 does not include all activity presented on page 11 due to timing difference and transfers between the Legacy of the Heart campaign at the Archdiocesan bank and our operating account at BMO Harris.



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**Outreach and sharing are greatly valued by Divine Mercy Parish.**

### **ARCHDIOCESAN COLLECTIONS**

Archdiocesan Priests' Retirement	7,280
Campaign for Human Development	3,190
Catholic Charities	8,697
Peter's Pence	4,330
Propagation of the Faith	806
Retired Religious	9,124
Seminary Collection	5,381
Summer Mission Appeal	11,074
Churches in Central Europe	1,101
Annual Catholic Appeal	110,940
Holy Land	790
Total Archdiocesan Required Collections	<b>162,713</b>

### **OTHER CHARITABLE COLLECTIONS**

Latin America	2,895
St. Benedict the African	18,894
St. Columbanus Parish	24,992
Fr. Paul Foundation	5,010
Haiti	30,927
Total Other Charitable Collections	<b>\$82,718</b>

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