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Very Rev. Michael T. Wimsatt, S.T.D.
Pastor

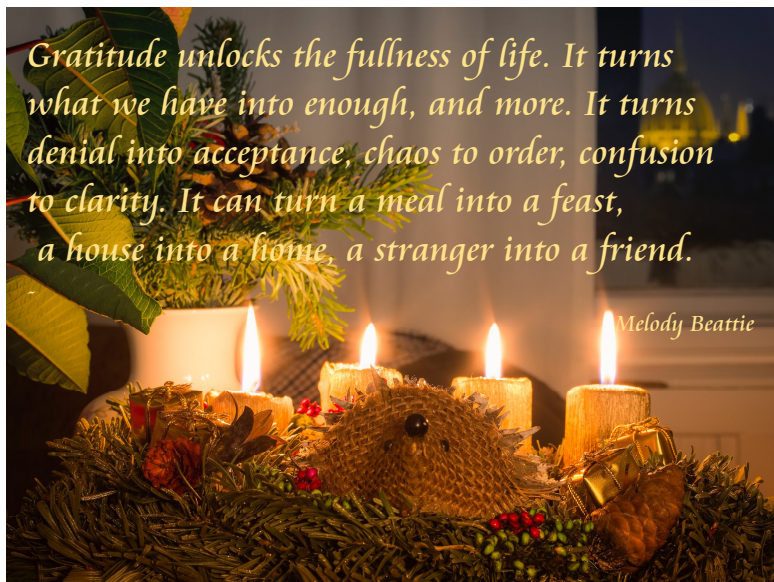
With the first Sunday of Advent a new liturgical year begins in the life of the Catholic Church. This new year is kindled by the theological virtues of faith, hope and charity growing within us as we anticipate the birth of Jesus Christ. In life we make many new beginnings and though we may often find them challenging, we also acknowledge that grace is often accorded to beginners by the Holy Spirit to sustain them along the journey.

As year two of the Hail Full of Grace! Legacy and Vision Capital Campaign unfolds we acknowledge the enormous labor and selfless commitment that has been involved in this newest chapter in the history of our Cathedral. Part of the effort of this newsletter is to offer a financial update for the Cathedral and the Capital Campaign as well so that you can be duly proud of the work accomplished and mindful of the work that remains to be done. Our Vision goal to address short-term and intermediate maintenance and program needs was \$3,000,000. As of the end of October, our parish had \$2,930,415 in pending pledges toward our Vision goal with \$1,464,588 having been received. Our Legacy goal to establish a permanent endowment to support the ongoing maintenance needs of our historic

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Gratitude unlocks the fullness of life. It turns what we have into enough, and more. It turns denial into acceptance, chaos to order, confusion to clarity. It can turn a meal into a feast, a house into a home, a stranger into a friend.

Melody Beattie



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Bob Owings
Capital Campaign Chair

Vision to Reality, while creating a true Legacy

More than a year ago, the Hail Full for Grace Capital Campaign, began its 3-year campaign with all the appropriate fanfare and enthusiasm fitting of a great

Cathedral. Since that time, our Vision portion of the campaign, for capital improvements, has had nearly half of the pending pledges received on schedule. However, we are depending on the fulfillment of the remaining pending pledges, for the rest of the needed upgrades and repairs to be completed. As Campaign Chair, and on behalf of the entire campaign committee, as well as our pastor, I would like to convey our deepest gratitude for the participation and commitment to the financial health and success of our parish through this campaign. I request that you continue to stretch your heart, your mind, as well as your means, to push this Vision Portion into the Reality as we continue to see our many blessings.

In addition to the financial goals of this campaign, it is our hope, through communications, stewardship, and common goals shared by our whole parish, the community of our parish will grow beyond itself. Perhaps, the new sound system can reach further than the range of the new speakers. We have seen the return of some parishioners that have not been with us in some time. I was recently greeted by an old acquaint-

ance, stating they had heard we were doing great things at the Cathedral. I am pleased to say I have seen them again and again. We also recently received a new pledge from a long-time parishioner who was not able to pledge at the beginning of our campaign. It is never too late to help us achieve, and God willing, surpass our goal. As we continue to improve our worship space, as well as the rest of the campus, I hope those who have not had an opportunity, may reconsider a way to support our campaign as best as their situation may allow.

Finally, the growth of our parish is essential for its future. Please consider the coming weeks as the best opportunity to invite anyone and everyone. Most of us recall the situation that drew us to the Cathedral. These stories are still so vivid. I remember those we shared with one another just last year. Perhaps some of us know someone who may not have been to Mass or to any worship recently. Please encourage them to come to our Cathedral. It's the sacred and celebrated ingredient of our Cathedral. We are all welcome and we celebrate Mass together.

Faithfully yours,
Bob Owings



*The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light.
They lived in a land of shadows, but now light is shining on them. Isaiah 9:2*

Being active beneficiaries of God's Gifts

Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms.
1 Peter 4:10

Stewardship tells us to share a portion of our time, talent and treasure so that God's Gift, Jesus Christ, may be given to those who do not know him. It is central to our human and Christian vocations to give out of gratitude for gifts we have received. We are called to be active beneficiaries of God's gifts, and we each have a unique role in how we respond.

At the Cathedral there are so many opportunities for us to share our gifts. What Time and Talent can we share? Do we have the gift of a smile and an inviting personality? Consider Hospitality. Like to bake a brownie or casserole? Consider Parish Life or the Bereavement Committee. Have the gift of singing? Consider our music ministry. Have a great reading voice? Consider being a lector. It continues with so many other opportunities such as Formation, our daily lunch program, campus landscaping and much more!

The third component - Treasure - is essential to the financial support of our Cathedral. From the perspective of stewardship, consider becoming an "intentional" giver. An intentional giver takes a serious look at their income and prayerfully and intentionally decides to set aside an amount for the support of their parish. It feels good to experience the joy of giving.



Carolyn Miles
Stewardship Committee Chair

During January we will have our annual stewardship drive to begin our prayerful discernment of how each of us can share our gifts at the Cathedral. Lay ministers will share their stories for your consideration and we'll have a stewardship fair to help with your selections. Cathedral parishioners will receive a stewardship newsletter and material in the mail for you to make your gift selections.

Watch the bulletin as January approaches for more information!



*If you are what you should be, you will
set the whole world ablaze!*

St. Catherine of Sienna

Annual Report: Operating Income Statement

For the year ending June 30, 2019

	Fiscal Year Ending 06-30-2019			FYE June 2019 vs FYE June 2018		
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Difference</u>	<u>June 30, 2019</u>	<u>June 30, 2018</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Collections	\$846,071	\$874,900	(\$28,829)	\$846,071	\$876,378	(\$30,307)
Social Concerns	32,694	25,000	7,694	32,694	26,757	5,937
Feed My Neighbor Fundraising	172,197	130,000	42,197	172,197	175,796	(3,599)
Kitchen Income	6,436	20,000	(13,564)	6,436	18,903	(12,467)
Special Collection Remittances	(8,240)	(10,000)	1,760	(8,240)	(4,163)	(4,077)
Gifts & Bequests	46,524	40,000	6,524	46,524	46,404	120
Diocesan Subsidies	51,162	50,175	987	51,162	49,629	1,533
Interest	2,771	1,750	1,021	2,771	2,047	724
Miscellaneous	68,528	50,645	17,883	68,528	48,537	19,991
Total Income	\$1,218,143	\$1,182,470	\$35,673	\$1,218,143	\$1,240,288	(\$22,145)
Administration	\$362,923	\$364,244	\$1,321	\$362,923	\$336,167	(\$26,756)
Worship/Music	217,054	215,871	(1,183)	217,054	218,735	1,681
Parish Life	78,334	84,671	6,337	78,334	73,067	(5,267)
Formation	12,290	18,800	6,510	12,290	13,855	1,565
Social Concerns	8,894	10,300	1,406	8,894	8,429	(465)
Kitchen Expense	108,320	109,538	1,218	108,320	136,392	28,072
Plant/Maintenance	315,011	309,171	(5,840)	315,011	316,935	1,924
Archdiocesan Assessments	77,388	62,875	(14,513)	77,388	73,706	(3,682)
Miscellaneous	13,154	7,000	(6,154)	13,154	6,739	(6,415)
Total Expense	\$1,193,368	\$1,182,470	(\$10,898)	\$1,193,368	\$1,184,025	(\$9,343)
Net Operating Income	\$24,775	\$0	\$24,775	\$24,775	\$56,263	(\$31,488)

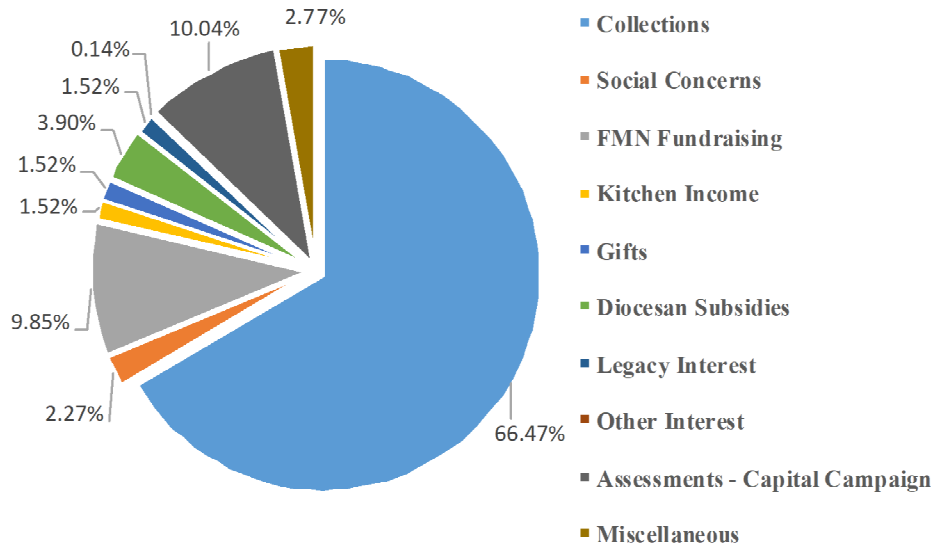
Fiscal Year 2020 Budget

(July 1, 2019 ---- June 30, 2020)

Income

Collections	\$876,900
Social Concerns	\$30,000
FMN Fundraising	\$130,000
Kitchen Income	\$20,000
Gifts	\$20,000
Diocesan Subsidies	\$51,500
Legacy Interest	\$20,000
Other Interest	\$1,800
Assessments - Capital Campaign	\$132,440
Miscellaneous	\$36,600

Fiscal Year 2020 Budget Income

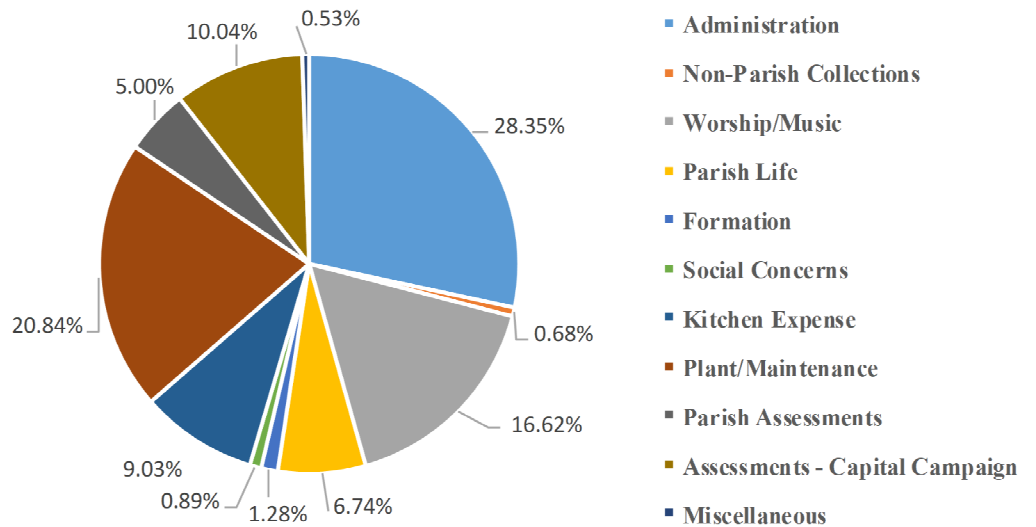


Total Income **\$1,319,240**

Expenses

Administration	\$374,000
Non-Parish Collections	\$9,000
Worship/Music	\$219,300
Parish Life	\$88,900
Formation	\$16,900
Social Concerns	\$11,700
Kitchen Expense	\$119,100
Parish Assessments	\$66,000
Assessments - Capital Campaign	\$132,440
Miscellaneous	\$7,000

Fiscal Year 2020 Budget Expenses

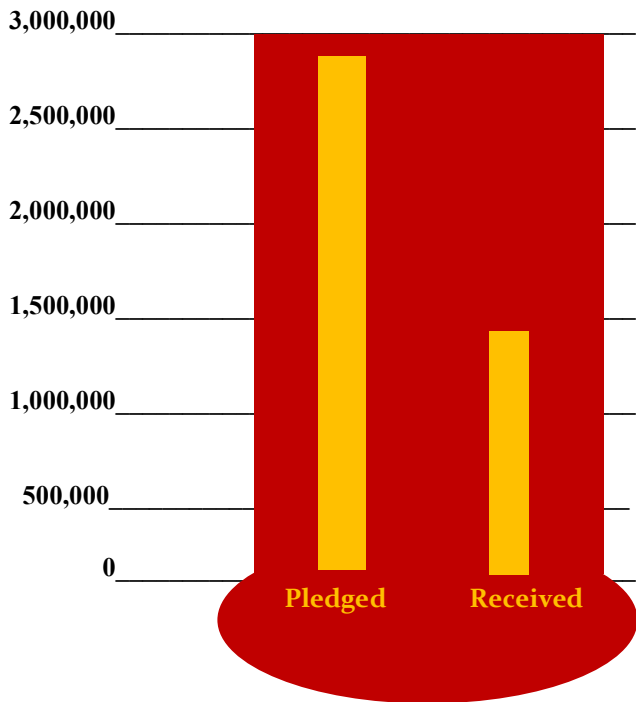


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Capital Campaign Numbers as of October 31

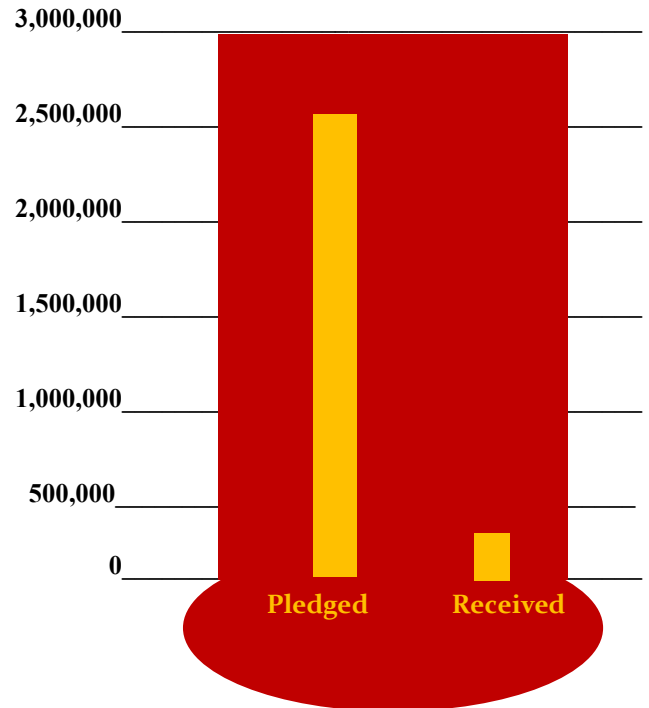
Vision

Goal\$3,000,000
 Pledged\$2,930,415
 Received..... \$1,464,588



Legacy

Goal..... \$3,000,000
 Pledged.....\$2,510,783
 Received\$373,509



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site was also \$3,000,000. As of the end of October, our parish had \$2,510,783 in pending pledges to our Legacy goal with \$373,509 having been received.

If you have already made a gift to the Campaign, then please accept my sincere thanks for your support. If not, I hope that you will consider making a gift to insure that our campaign fulfills its original mission to renew our Cathedral community. Your gift can be made by picking up a capital campaign brochure from the pamphlet rack at the entrance of



the Cathedral church, by visiting the parish office for more information or by making a gift online at www.cathedraloftheassumption.org.

Please accept my gratitude for your presence at the Cathedral. May God bless you and your loved ones during this Advent season that you may welcome Christ joyfully at its completion.

Peace,
 Very Rev. Michael T. Wimsatt, S.T.D.
 Pastor, Cathedral of the Assumption

Statistics and Such

By the Numbers...

Registered households 1103
Adult Baptisms 6
Infant Baptisms 16
First Communion 6
Received into Full Communion 6
Marriages 18
Funerals 13
Children's Formation and Youth Group 28
Daily Lunch Program Meals Served 36,623
Daily Lunch Program Volunteer Slots this year 4,723
Vouchers Issued for State IDs 351
Number of Visitors to the
Archdiocese of Louisville History Center 1,243

The Cathedral Welcomed...

Archdiocese

Chrism Mass and Reception
Priests Jubilee
Vocation Gatherings
Ordination
Migration Prayer Services and Events
Pro-Life Masses monthly
Walk for Life Gathering
Boy Scout Tour of Downtown Houses of Faith
Boy Scout Awards Ceremony
Girl Scout Awards Ceremony
Martin Luther King Jr. Prayer Service
Justice Workshop
Little Sisters of the Poor Anniversary Mass,
Reception, and display in History Center
Catholic Education Foundation Event
St. X Mother/Son Mass
Presentation Academy Ring Ceremony
Presentation Academy Baccalaureate Mass
DeSales Baccalaureate Mass
Legatus Mass
Red Mass (for Legal Profession)
Confirmations
St. Agnes, St. Martha, St. Luke/St. Rita

School Tours

Holy Trinity, St. Agnes, St. Martha,
St. Michael, St. Dominic (Springfield),
St. Gabriel, St. Aloysius, DeSales Photo Club,
St. Patrick, Sacred Heart Model School,
St. Leonard, St. Margaret Mary, Presentation
Academy, St. Albert the Great, St. Raphael

Other Tours

SCN Tours
St. Edwards Seniors Tour
Xaverian Brothers Schools Leadership Staff
Second Presbyterian, Lexington

Marian Association
American Queen Boat Tours
Quest Tours

Conventions

College Music Society Convention
USCCB Respect Life Convention
Kentucky Music Educators Association

Other

Interfaith Prayer Service at beginning of
Mayor Fischer's current term of office

Trivia Night
for Central Louisville Community Ministries

Louisville Orchestra Concert

In Conjunction with the
Center for Interfaith Relations:
Interfaith Blood Drive
Violins of Hope

Noteworthy...

We celebrated our annual Feastday with Mass followed by a picnic in the park. We joined together in the Undercroft after 9:30 Masses for coffee and donuts, flu shots, medical panel, fun, fellowship and formation.

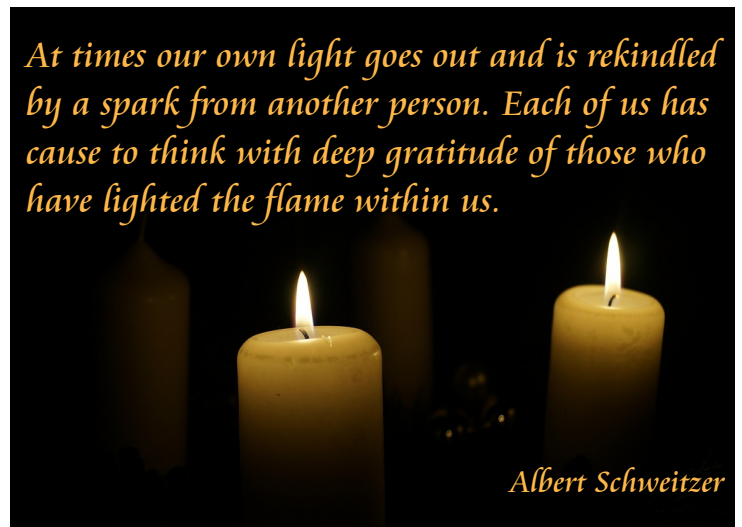
Lets Dance Louisville raised \$177,000 for our Daily Lunch Program.

First Blue Mass (for First Responders) held on September 12.

We adopted a Congolese refugee family brought to Louisville by Catholic Charities.

A painting that once belonged to the Cathedral, The Dead Christ Mourned, by Kentucky artist Matthew Harris Jouett, has been restored and is on display at the Speed Art Museum.

*At times our own light goes out and is rekindled
by a spark from another person. Each of us has
cause to think with deep gratitude of those who
have lighted the flame within us.*



Albert Schweitzer

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Coming up

- Dec. 9 Feast of Immaculate Conception, Mass at 12 noon
- Dec. 13 Advent Lessons and Carols
Supper at 6, Service at 7:30 pm (RSVP for supper by Dec. 11)
- Dec. 15 Blessing of Child in the Womb at 12 Noon Mass
- Dec. 24 Christmas Eve Masses at 5:30 pm and Midnight
(no Noon Mass on Christmas Eve)
- Dec. 25 Christmas Day Masses at 9:30 am and 12 noon
- Dec. 28/29 5th Sunday Collection for House of Ruth
- Dec. 31 No Mass today
- Jan. 1 Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God, Mass at 12 noon
- Feb. 1/2 2020 Stewardship Event

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