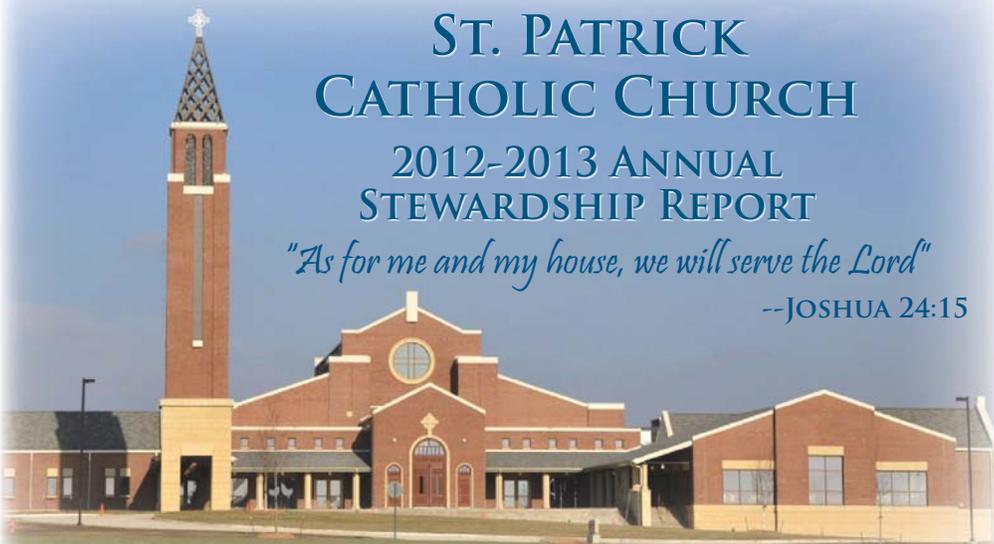


# ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC CHURCH

## 2012-2013 ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP REPORT

*"As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord"*

--JOSHUA 24:15



### *A Letter From Our Pastor*

Dear Friends,

It's hard to believe that summer keeps marching on! I have just returned from a trip to eastern Iowa. And as I drove through the beautiful countryside, I was reminded once again of why the native peoples called Iowa "The Beautiful Land." Because once you've seen the lush green fields and rolling hills of eastern Iowa, there is no doubt that Iowa lives up to its name.

Living up to our name is a noble challenge – mothers and fathers know this quite well – given their daily responsibilities of educating and forming their children in the ways of faith and goodness. Brothers and sisters know this too, since everyone expects them to show their younger siblings how to be obedient and responsible persons.

Even after we are emancipated from our family of origin, we are called to live up to our name as productive members of society, contributing to the common good as we make a living and find our niche in the world.

But probably the greatest call of all is that of living up to our name as a Christian Steward. And while it may seem very complicated to do this, it isn't all that hard. If we could get accustomed to thinking that everything we have and everything we are is a gift from God, then, we would be far along in living up to our name of Christian Steward.

So, if it follows that everything is a gift: our life, our time, our talent, our treasure – then hopefully we will get used to the idea that we really are not owners of anything, but mere Stewards of God's infinite blessings. Hopefully this will elicit from us a sense of gratitude and the desire to respond to God's gift with humility, gratitude and a like generosity.

As you will see in this Annual Report, this is what we are trying to model here at St. Patrick. I am struck by the generosity and real efforts of the good people of St. Patrick of trying to model what the Lord calls us to live every day.

I am so pleased that through our worship, prayer, formation programs, service projects and community life, we are doing our best to live the life of Christian Stewardship and live up to our name, of being, as we pray in the Preface Prayer at Mass: "A chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for your own possession."

Many blessings to you all!

Fr. Rudy



## AUGUST 2013

### UPCOMING EVENTS

*For all regular monthly activities, please check the bulletin each week.*

#### August

- 24 Elementary Youth Group Lock-in
- 25 Coffee/Donuts
- 28 Diocesan J&P Mtng.

#### September

- 1 Registration / Coffee-Donuts
- 2 Office Closed
- 6 1st Friday Adoration
- 7 1st Saturday Mass
- 7-8 Ministry Fair
- 11 Over 50 Potluck
- 14 Baptism Parent Training
- 28 CYAN Conference

#### October

- 2 Lifeline Screenings
- 4 1st Friday Adoration
- 5 1st Saturday Mass
- 6 Registration / Coffee-Donuts
- 9 Over 50 Potluck
- 11 Diocesan Stewardship Workshop
- 19 MFP Retreat
- 26-27 Needle Workers Bazaar

#### November

- 1 All Saints Day  
1st Friday Adoration
- 2 All Souls Day  
1st Saturday Mass  
Women's Conference
- 3 Registration  
KC's Pancake Breakfast

# Our Mission Statement...

St. Patrick Parish is a faithful multi-cultural Catholic Parish. The Holy Spirit leads us to love God, grow spiritually and serve our neighbor.

## Reasons to Give Thanks...

for the period July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013

**157** New families  
joined St. Patrick

Infant Baptisms **46**

**2** Adult Baptisms

Professions of Faith **9**

**208** Weekday  
Masses  
celebrated

Weekend  
Masses  
celebrated **208**

**8008**  
Hours devoted to  
Eucharistic Adoration

**Confirmations 49**

With **17** Confirmation  
Prayer Partners

OFFERTORY REPORT

**1,062** Registered  
Families

Families using  
Envelopes **833**

**3,024** Registered  
Individuals

Families using Electronic  
Funds Transfer (EFT) **183**

**82.3%** Parishioners  
participating in offertory

**42** First Communions  
Celebrated

Marriages  
Celebrated **17**

**27** Funerals

**2013 Annual  
Diocese  
Appeal**

(315 families  
participated)

Goal **\$88,456**

Pledged **\$94,000**

Paid **\$89,601**

### Faith Formation for Children

- Children's Liturgy -10:00 Mass
- Elementary Youth Group
- "Carnival" Youth Picnic
- Vacation Bible School
  - 120 participated
  - 40 volunteers
- First Communion and Reconciliation Retreats
- St. Nicholas Party
- 81 enrolled in Religious Education at Regina
- Blessing of Pets

### Faith Formation for Teens

- 2012 Outstanding Youth Award - Lizzy Schropp
- 12 attended Youth Group
- 15 attended iSPY
- 16 attended Diocese Youth Rally
- 16 attended Catholics in Action
- 10 attended Port Ministries
- raised \$600 for art supplies and bread

### Adult Faith Formation

- Epic Study of Church History (multi-parish participation)
- Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA)
- Lighthouse Catholic CDs (supported by \$1,339 in donations)
- Advent Reflection
- Young Adult Catholics
- Friends of the Sacred Heart of Jesus
- Sunday at the Movies
  - October Baby
  - For Greater Glory



# Knights of Columbus Council # 14481

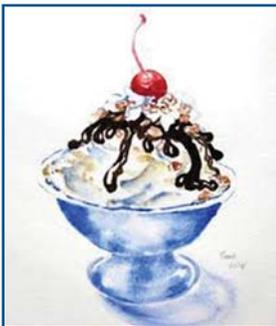
St. Patrick's Knights of Columbus Council #14481 has a roster of 112 knights of varying degrees. The Council meets regularly on the first Saturday of the month for a planning meeting and the third Wednesday of the month for the business meeting. They also host KCans4Life on the third Saturday of every month. During the last fiscal year, they have generously fundraised and donated over \$5,000 within the parish and to outside organizations.

## Community supported:

- Informed Choices Medical Clinic Iowa City - \$2,000
- Johnson County Right to Life - \$235
- Birthright - \$235
- Coats for Kids - \$615
- Diocesan Vocations/Seminarian trip to Rome - \$500
- Informed Choices Medical Clinic Ames grand opening - \$500
- Informed Choices Medical Clinic Annual Banquet - \$250
- Supported Knights of Columbus state convention with 2 participants and 7 Adoration participants
- Tootsie Roll drive to provide support to the Arc of Johnson County

They have also fundraised and provided support to many events within the parish:

- Pancake Breakfasts to benefit St. Patrick youth attending NCYC - \$1,579
- Warming Dish donation to parish kitchen - \$50
- Hosted Free Throw Contest with 16 participants; 6 advancing to district contests
- Provided Pot O'Gold for parish celebration valued at \$136
- Mother's Day Roses – Donated 520 flowers in conjunction with Drug Town Rochester Avenue
- April Can Redemption & May Wine Tasting Event
- Assisted Church Life commission with Easter Egg Hunt with 4 volunteers
- Provide parish with cell phone recycling center – 73 recycled phones



## Upcoming Annual Stewardship Renewal Activities!

### Ministry Fair

September 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> - after all Masses

“Ice Cream Sunday- Get the Scoop on Ministries at St. Pat’s”

### Stewardship Renewal

September 21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> - during all Masses

## Sharing Our Gifts With Others

### Social Action Committee

### The Free Lunch Program will be needing your help in the coming months!

In December, 2013 Free Lunch will be moving out of Wesley House and into a new and larger facility at 1105 Gilbert Court in Iowa City. Three other agencies that provide services to people in turmoil in our community (Domestic Violence Intervention Program, the Crisis Center, and the National Alliance on Mental Health of Johnson County) will be co-located at this same address. The number of people using Free Lunch is expected to rise at this time. If you would like your name added to the pre-lunch e-mail notice, please contact: Patty Wohlgemuth (pnpkjh@aol.com) or Eileen Scudder (edscudder@mchsi.com) Thank You!

# FINANCIAL NOTES

The parish operates on a fiscal year basis and our year ended on June 30, 2013. Listed below is a recap of our income and expense statement from July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013 and our budget for the coming year.

The past year we were able to meet our expenses. This was based on several factors, one of which was caused by the generosity of our parishioners. Our income was more than budgeted as both Envelopes and Offertory collections exceeded budget. We are blessed to have such generous parishioners and a growing congregation.

The debt on the new church originated at \$2,400,000. With payments from the Building Capital campaign and other donations, the debt continues to decrease and is now less than \$400,000. We do pay a monthly interest payment and money is applied to principal as it becomes available from our Building campaign.

The Building Campaign ended in May 2013, with a debt of approximately \$400,000 remaining. We are planning a Reduce the Debt Campaign. Please watch for details and a mailing to all parishioners. This will be a good opportunity for those who have not contributed to the Building Campaign to participate and for those who wish to continue with a pledge or gift so we can eliminate our debt.

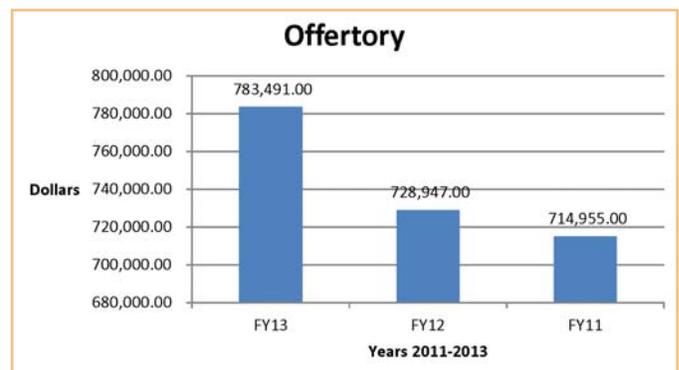
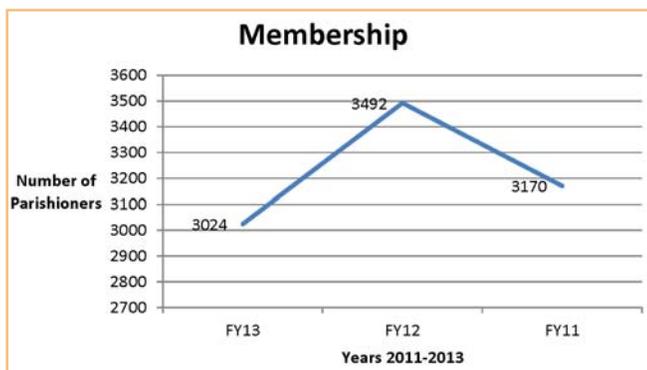
Please continue to use the special envelopes you find in your envelope packet. These are for Utilities (white with orange border) and Capital Campaign (white with purple border). We urge you to use these special envelopes as they provide funding for the specific purposes and the funds are applied 100% to the specified account. Giving through these envelopes is recommended and the Finance Council encourages use of these envelopes.

The parish now has a new way to stay informed with parish activities. It is called Flocknote. Flocknote lets you receive simple, professional, custom-branded email parish newsletters. Communication can also be received via mobile text. Flocknote is a great way to stay current on parish events. Please sign up by visiting our network at [flocknote.com/stpatsic](http://flocknote.com/stpatsic) or text: stpatsic to 84576 from your phone to subscribe to updates.

A reminder to all who find it difficult to contribute regularly to the general collection. Please consider signing up for automatic funds transfer (AFT) from your bank account. This is an efficient way to fulfill your financial obligation to the parish. Please contact Lila in the parish office to sign-up.

Our investment account balance is approximately \$1,500,000. This is our savings account and is necessary to provide for future needs of the parish. The amount is in line with diocesan recommendations for parish savings. The money is invested based on a conservative investment policy divided between stocks and bonds.

*"No one shall appear before the Lord empty-handed, but each of you with as much as he can give, in proportion to the blessings which the Lord, your God has bestowed on you"*  
Deuteronomy 16:16-17



**ST PATRICK IOWA CITY  
FINANCIAL REPORT 2012-2013  
BUDGET 2013-2014  
Condensed Receipts and Disbursements (Cash Basis)**

**From Parish Operations**

	<b>Actual 7-1-12/13</b>	<b>Budget 7-1-13/14</b>
<b>Receipts</b>		
Ordinary envelopes.....	705,382.01	714,426.24
Offertory.....	78,109.53	81,917.26
Other Parish envelopes	69,470.63	67,329.34
Other.....	<u>52,794.45</u>	<u>42,950.38</u>
Total receipts.....	<u>905,756.62</u>	<u>906,623.22</u>
<b>Disbursements</b>		
Salaries & benefits.....	161,543.07	165,439.53
Regina assessment.....	445,824.00	473,820.00
Buildings & grounds (utilities, insurance, maintenance).....	89,977.60	92,959.20
Postage.....	3,764.49	4,482.00
Supplies.....	9,092.31	10,429.08
Catholic Messenger subsidy.....	4,778.00	5,500.00
Contracted & outside services.....	13,082.04	23,742.50
Other expense.....	20,795.48	15,130.00
Other parish ministry		
Church Life.....	5,840.77	12,060.00
Family Life.....	4,581.89	3,300.00
Faith Formation.....	30,129.36	31,120.00
Social Action.....	2,388.58	2,900.00
Liturgy.....	<u>42,428.46</u>	<u>44,035.00</u>
Total disbursements.....	<u>834,226.05</u>	<u>884,917.31</u>
Excess of receipts over disbursements	<u>71,530.57</u>	<u>21,705.91</u>

**OTHER FINANCIAL INFORMATION AT June 30, 2013**

Mortgage outstanding	371,100.00
Total building pledges	5,118,737.00
Building pledges outstanding	50,283.00
Building pledges collected last year	352,795.52
Interest paid Year ended June 30, 2013	24,235.88
Land cost	705,419.00
Building cost	12,770,992.00
General fixed asset cost	421,275.00
Investment Reserve	1,498,422.00

## Beyond the Financial Data...

— it's all about how we reach out to our community to impact lives.

Over the past year our parishioners contributed:

**15** bags of baby items and furniture  
to Informed Choices Medical Clinic

**1,458** rolls of toilet paper to  
the Crisis Center

Over **2,348** lbs. of food to the  
Johnson County Food Pantry

**\$1,473** in SCRIP money to Regina

Project Holiday served over **1,600**  
families in Johnson County with meal  
baskets and toys.

**\$228** to Johnson Co. Right to Life

To provide **435** visits to give Holy  
Eucharist to homebound, hospital and  
nursing home patients

*Special Offertory Collections:*

**\$3,300** for Vincentians Missionaries

**\$2,506** for Hurricane Sandy Relief

**\$1,755** to Operation Rice Bowl

**\$4,200** to the Trinitarians of Mary  
Religious Order in Tecate, MX

**305** lbs. of food to the Crisis Center  
from Vacation Bible School children

**\$613** for Thanksgiving Baskets  
for families at Horace Mann Elem.

Full tuition (**\$100/year**) or partial  
tuition for four students to attend St. Francis  
Xavier Secondary School in Agagbe, Nigeria.

School supplies for over **3,000** Johnson  
County students

**6-7** free lunch meals per year to  
the homeless at Wesley House

Parish Tithing of **\$6,819** to individuals  
and local charities

**233** food items contributed from 1st  
Communion Retreat to Crisis Center

And **Lots** of hats, mittens, diapers and wipes  
to the Christian Culture Community

*Please visit St. Patrick website to view these photos and more  
parish events and activities [www.stpatsic.com](http://www.stpatsic.com)*



## OUR PARISH COMMUNITY – BELONGING LEADS TO BELIEVING

- Over 280 parishioners donated desserts and time to serve 21 **Funeral Luncheons**.
- The **Needle Workers** Annual Bazaar, which highlights donated crafts and baked goods, raised over \$3,500 this past year. Proceeds were used to purchase Stations of the Cross, holy water fountains, podium and music stands for the choir, window blinds and supplies for the kitchen.
- The **Senior Epiphany Party** was planned by a 12 member committee and attended by 95 parishioners.
- Great fun was had by all at the **St. Patrick Irish Breakfast**. 425 guests attended. Donations received covered all party expenses plus \$1,582 raised for parish ministries through pots o' gold participation.
- **Noah's Nursery** - 22 adult and 8 youth volunteers provided a loving environment for 6-12 children during the 10am Mass.
- **Wedding Anniversary Celebration** - 28 couples participated and renewed their wedding vows on June 23, 2012. A champagne toast and light reception followed with each couple receiving a certificate and photograph with Fr. Rudy.
- **Mothers of Young Children (MOYC)** - 29 members provided meals for members with new babies or families in crisis and prayed for 42 member prayer requests.
- **Over 50 Social Potluck** was attended monthly by about 24 parishioners.
- **Friends of the Sacred heart of Jesus** raised \$1,076 from their annual burrito sale to benefit Our Lady of Guadalupe Celebration.
- Our **Liturgical Ministry** was promoted and enhanced by 53 Altar Servers, 35 Ushers, 62 Lectors and 102 Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist.
- St. Patrick's **Music Ministry** glorified the sacredness and structure of the Mass with 26 adult and 13 youth Choir members, 7 Accompanists, 7 Cantors and 5 other Instrumentalists. They also served the community by providing an Advent Choral Service and participated in "We Were There" Stations of the Cross.
- Over 800 parishioners responded to our **Annual Stewardship Renewal**.
- The **New Member Irish Tea** was attended by 35 new parishioners.
- Over 1,100 **Newsletters** were sent out to parishioners each quarter.
- With the help of 9 volunteers and the support of parishioners, **SCRIP** raised \$1,400 for our parish.
- Our **parish website** ([www.stpatsic.com](http://www.stpatsic.com)) received 21,000 visits by more than 13,000 visitors.
- 2 teachers and 4 volunteers guided 36 children during **Children's Liturgy** held weekly at 10am Mass.
- 50 youth of all ages participated in the **Christmas Eve Children's Nativity** and were directed by Liz Tracy and 9 adults.
- 3,705 donuts were consumed by parish members and guests at **Coffee-Donut** gatherings throughout the year!
- 1,488 plastic eggs donated by numerous members and distributed to youth on **Easter Sunday!**

## WELCOME, NEWCOMERS (AND THEIR FAMILIES)!

Sacramento Aguirre and  
Veronica Flores

Akili Amaka and Bisoci Chika

Sean and Julie Beard

Reynaldo and Mary Lou Cardenas

Paul and Nancy Collins

Delfino and Victoria Concha

Tim and Julie Conlon

John and Melissa Corrigan

Julia Dohrer

Leonardo and Candelaria Estrada

Laura Filean

Gilberto Flores

Teresa Giraldo

Scott and Heather Groh

Melissa and Austin Hatfield

David and Laura Hernandez

Mike and Pam Hoogerworf

Felipe Hurtado and Cindy Soltero

Kevin and Heidi Kessler

Cassidy LeClaire

Luke and Kathleen Linz

Mark and Cynthia Lucas

Shawn and Kathalyn McAfee

Alan and Jacalyn McCarville

Christopher J. and Jill McConnell

Brandon and Amy Mills

Patricia Morales

Petra Mujica

Justine Sila and

Harriet Mwanyamuli

Michael and Susan O'Brien

Kenneth Palmer

Alberto Tenorio Perez

Joe and Diane Rohlman

Marvin Seton and Helena Scott

Sandra Seibert

Ra Byul "Stephanie" Seo

Eliezer and Mandy Sotillo

Michael and Connie Storck

Isabel Torres

Jesus Villalvazo and

Joaqui Yolanda

Chris and Mary Kay Wathen

Joshua and Katherine Weiner

Jane Zweiner

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*He has created us  
for greater things:  
to love and be  
loved. -M. Escova*

# Journey to the Heart

## A Conference for Catholic Women

Join us with nationally known speaker and retreat director Fr. James Kubicki, SJ, as he helps us explore loving God and neighbor with all our hearts in the ordinary circumstances of our lives. As the Year of Faith draws to a close, this conference is an opportunity to nourish and reinforce our faith to give us strength and joy for the journey.

**Dynamic Speakers**  
**Rosary and Mass**  
**Sacrament of Reconciliation available**  
**Discussion and Question Opportunities**  
**Light Breakfast and Lunch**

*For more information and registration, go to [www.ic-cwc.com](http://www.ic-cwc.com).  
Registration is \$20; after October 6th, \$30; and after October 19th, \$35.  
Space is limited; register early!*

**Saturday November 2nd, 2013**

**8am - 3pm**

**St. Patrick Church, Iowa City**

For more information, contact Mary Anderson: 319-354-5303; rdamea@gmail.com or Mila Grady at mmmw@avalon.net