

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

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Dear Parishioners,

Today I present the "State of the Parish Address". It has been an active year here at Immaculate Conception. Our Annual Sacramental Report submitted to the Archdiocese included some very impressive numbers. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass was celebrated more than 750 times. Holy Eucharist was distributed to thousands during Mass, to the sick and aging in hospitals and at home. We baptized 24 babies. At the Easter vigil we welcomed a new member into our faith. Over 200 children attended our Religious Education program. First Holy Communion and Reconciliation were both celebrated by 61 of our second-grade children. Bishop Dominick Lagonegro confirmed 34 of our teenagers. The organ played "Here comes the bride" 4 times. Sadly, we mourned the loss of 37 souls whom God called to Himself.

Through your generosity our parish fed an average of 80 families per week. We start up the Christmas Giving Tree this weekend. Our monthly family Mass is a huge success. What a strong Catholic presence we are in Stony Point!

Since the start of my assignment here at Immaculate Conception over 2 years ago, I have been in awe of your generosity and goodness. You are always there to help your brothers and sisters. One of the hallmarks of the people of God is found in their willingness to care for one another. This is truly a sign of unity, love and faith for your parish.

When Cardinal Dolan appointed me as Pastor this past summer, he reminded me of the serious obligation every pastor has to be the best steward of the financial resources of the parish. Printed on the back of this letter is the 2017 Financial Report.

Last year we launched a very successful Increased Giving Campaign, increasing our Sunday collections by \$47,626 this year. Christmas and Easter collections are up by \$8,382. Expenses are down by \$106,654.

Let us continue this good work so that the Gospel of Christ may continue to flourish at Immaculate.

May we all have a blessed Advent as we prepare for the coming of Christ,



Rev. Herbert T. DeGaris
Pastor

**Church of the Immaculate Conception
Summary of Revenues and Expenditures
8/31/2017 Comparison**

<u>Revenue</u>	<u>8/31/2017</u>	<u>8/31/2016</u>
Regular Sunday Collection	\$ 464,470	\$ 416,845
Holy Days Collections	82,647	74,265
Religious Education	51,688	43,896
Fundraising (includes Cardinal's appeal)	30,332	29,860
Donations and Bequests	6,116	25,000
Insurance Reimbursement	-	-
Rental Income	5,000	5,600
Restricted Contrib. \ Rel Ed Rebate	6,000	-
Other (Perqs, Extraordinary)	6,434	8,806
Total Revenue	<u>\$ 652,688</u>	<u>\$ 604,271</u>
<u>Expenditures</u>		
Salaries and Benefits	\$ 255,777	\$ 324,360
Office Expenses	63,770	64,440
Church Expenses	15,193	31,235
Religious Education (Textbooks)	6,677	3,176
Utilities and Sewer Taxes	31,355	33,363
Maintenance	82,993	89,562
Insurance	30,049	29,918
House Living Expenses	17,952	24,179
Cathedraticum and School Tax	44,155	53,163
Interest to Archdiocese of NY	1,141	892
Support & Contributions	-	1,426
Total Expenditures	<u>\$ 549,061</u>	<u>\$ 655,715</u>
Net Surplus / (Deficit)	<u>\$ 103,627</u>	<u>\$ (51,444)</u>