

CHURCH OF ST. IGNATIUS LOYOLA

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The Ignatian Way: Prayer, Service, Community



Parish Annual Report



he end of the fiscal year has historically provided us with the opportunity to look back and consider the highlights of the year in terms of the apostolic life of our parish. What a year this has been! We began the fiscal year with the visit of Pope Francis to New York City during his pastoral visit to the United States for the World Meeting of Families in Philadelphia. He brought with him a message of mercy and showed us by his example how to incorporate into our routine lives the significance of the liturgical *Year* of Mercy. Many of us either waited in long lines or at street curbs simply to catch a glimpse of this charismatic world figure. Our own frenetic city uncharacteristically paused as if to soak in the serenity of a man of peace. And as for our parish community, we were re-energized in our faith and looked to ways to spread the joy of the gospel message in simple and practical ways. In the process, they became the highlights of this past year a year in which we began the celebration of our sesquicentennial anniversary

as a Jesuit parish and welcomed a new Pastor.

We truly have been blessed this year and responded to God's grace with a renewed sense of what it means for us to be a parish committed to the ideals of The Ignatian Way through prayer, service, and community. To mention but a few, here are highlights of this past fiscal year which manifest in their array the extraordinary year it has been for us as a faith community.

Prayer

- Meeting Christ in Prayer 40 parishioners deepened their understanding of Ignatian Spirituality
 RCIA Program we welcomed 21 adults into the church at the Easter Vigil
 - World Youth Day 12 teenage pilgrims journeyed to Krakow, Poland to join Pope Francis and tens of thousands of other young people to mark the Year of Mercy

Service

- *Prison Outreach Ministry* regular visits to local state prisons by members of the Ignatian Social Justice Committee to pray with inmates
- Poverty Simulation Workshop a half-day experience of what it is like to be poor
- Christmas Caroling at Nursing Homes a special feature of the ministry of Boomers and Beyond
 - to those who are in assisted living facilities
 - Several Food, Toy, and Clothing Drives extraordinarily successful drives due to the generosity of our parishioners
- Shelter for Homeless Women a refuge for homeless women during the winters months is possible because of the commitment and dedication of our local Conference of the St. Vincent de Paul Society

Community

Lay Ministers' Enrichment Days — 3 full-day opportunities to be nourished spiritually for those involved in all of our parish ministries

- Family Ministry Praying the Rosary our Wallace Hall Sunday Mass families sat with their children to make rosary beads and to experience praying the rosary as a family
- Lectures and Music Programs a successful series of lectures on topics ranging from the history of the Society of Jesus to art to the housing crisis; and capacity audiences at our series of concerts featured



CHURCH OF ST. IGNATIUS LOYOLA Parish Ministries, 2015-2016

Parish Staff

- 4 Full-Time Priests
- 2 Pastoral Associates
- 4 Weekend Associate Priests
- 7 Music Staff Members 4 full time/3 part time
- 9 Operations/Administrative Staff Members
- **11 Support Staff Members** 4 full time/7 part time

Music Ministries

• Canticum Sacrum (7:30 PM Mass Choir) - 16

- Choir of St. Ignatius Loyola 19
- Parish Community Choir 51
 - Wallace Hall Mass Choir and Orchestra – 37 Children's Choirs:
 - Middle School Choir 20
 - Training Choir I 18
 - Training Choir II 25

Sacramental Life and Religious Formation

	Fiscal 2015	Fiscal 2016
Registered Families	4,320	4460
Average Attendance at Sunday Masses	1,643	1,572
Average Attendance at Weekday Masses	115	115
Baptisms	255	185
Confirmations	138	146
First Holy Communions	231	151
Marriages	68	62
Funerals	42	34
Adults in the RCIA Program	30	21

Faith Formation

DAY NURSERY	Faculty:	18	Students: 136
GRAMMAR SCHOOL	Faculty:	33	Students: 536
IREP	Faculty:	19	Students: 525

Children's Liturgy of the Word (9:30 AM Sunday Mass): 1 teacher serving approximately 20 children each week

Parish Ministries

<u>Altar Servers</u> : 40 servers	<u>Lay Ministers' Enrichment</u> : 5 team members who serve all parishioners interested in ministerial and spiritual enrichment
Boomers & Beyond:170 participants Catechesis of the Good Shepherd: 2 adults who taught 12	Lectors: 43 lectors
children	Ministry Council: 13 members
<u>Compassionate Care</u> : 45 members serving the sick and home- bound	<u>My Faith/Your Faith</u> : 4 teens who participated in an interfaith program for teenagers
Emmaus Bereavement Ministry: 16 members working with 225 individuals	New Parishioners Committee: 4 members
Eucharistic Ministers: 109 ministers	Prayer Shawl Ministry: 9 members
Family Ministry: 8 committee members	<u>Ranger Rosary Ministry</u> : 12 core members who provide hand-made rosaries for members of the armed services
Finance Committee: 10 members	<u>RCIA</u> : 9 team members who journeyed with 21 new adult
Hospitality Ministry: 84 ministers	Catholics
Ignatian Social Justice: 10 team members with an outreach	<u>Retreat Programs</u> : 25 facilitators reaching 125+ parishioners
to 245+ people	Society of St. Vincent de Paul: 17 active members and 252
Ignatian Young Adults: 15 team members serving 700+ people	associate members
Ignite! Teen Ministry: 15 members	<u>Spiritual Direction</u> : 9 directors reaching more than 60 individuals

CHURCH OF ST. IGNATIUS LOYOLA Operating Revenue Report, 2015-2016

In presenting you with the Parish Financial Report for Fiscal Year 2015-2016, I am happy to report we ended the year with an operating surplus of \$372,977. This was only possible because of your continued commitment and generosity to the Parish.

The financial detail, prepared by our Treasurer, Fernando Castro, is as follows:

Revenue

Total Operating Revenue for FY16 remained consistent as compared to the prior year despite a decrease in Collections and the Annual Appeal.

Regarding our collection revenue, Sunday and Easter Collections experienced a 3% and 15% decrease, respectively. Our Annual Appeal was also down significantly from the previous year. There had been an upward trend in our Annual Appeal since FY11, but in FY15 we experienced a 4% decrease, with FY16 reflecting a substantial reduction of 22%. In FY14 and FY15 we were able to eliminate the Spring Appeal due to the strong response to the Annual Appeal in those years. Given the results of this year's Appeal, we decided it was prudent to reinstitute the Spring Appeal.





On a positive note, Other Gifts and Collections increased significantly and represents a few very generous donations made by parishioners. A very substantial contribution from a generous parishioner was made to honor Fr. Tom Feely, S.J. for his year of service as Parish Administrator.

Overall, Sacramental Offerings decreased by 35%. There was a decrease in income from offerings for Baptisms and Weddings over FY15, but historical data shows these figures can fluctuate from year to year. Last year's income for Funerals was unusually high. This year's figure is more in line with previous year's numbers.

We enjoyed an 18% increase in Rental revenue as compared to FY15. We continue to secure larger rental events for Wallace Hall, such as the New York Antique Show.

Revenue from our Music Ministry increased by 5%. However, related music expenses went up accordingly. A recent change to the Music program is the addition of the Caritas Concerts. Since FY15 the Parish has been hosting two performances each season. All proceeds from these concerts are given directly to charities that address social justice concerns. In FY16 the recipient organizations were the Society of St. Vincent de Paul and Habitat for Humanity.

Enrollment in our Interparish Religious Education Program remained strong. As a result, revenue was consistent with FY15 figures. Other Revenue reflects an increase of 15% over FY15. This category includes donations earmarked for particular Parish activities, such as the Family and Youth Ministries. This year's increase is primarily due to a one-time rebate received from the Archdiocese of NY.



CHURCH OF ST. IGNATIUS LOYOLA OPERATING REVENUE

	Fiscal Year	Fiscal Year
Parishioner Contributions	2015	2016
Sunday Collections	1,445,987	1,405,862
Christmas Collection	134,541	136,246
Easter Collection	107,935	91,556
Annual Appeal	847,292	662,626
Spring Appeal	15,090	142,400
Other Gifts & Collections	516,534	651,011
TOTAL PARISHIONER CONTRIBUTIONS	3,067,379	3,089,701
Sacramental Offerings		
Baptisms	43,255	21,640
Weddings	91,350	72,650
Funerals	42,100	19,250
TOTAL SACRAMENTAL OFFERINGS	176,705	113,540
Parish Services		
Rentals	378,254	444,590
Music (Gifts & Concert Revenue)	503,529	527,374
TOTAL PARISH SERVICES	881,783	971,964
Interparish Religious Education	223,268	219,492
Other Revenue	79,639	91,962
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE	4,428,774	4,486,659

CHURCH OF ST. IGNATIUS LOYOLA Operating Expense Report, 2015-2016

Expenses

Although our Total Operating Expenses for Fiscal Year 2016 rose by 7%, many of these increases had been accounted for in our budget. We continue to be very vigilant about controlling expenses and managing our resources prudently.



Total Personnel costs remained consistent as compared with FY15. Salary and Benefits expense reflects a collective 4% increase. However, this figure is actually less than what we had originally budgeted. We were able to realize some cost savings by consolidating positions of staff who retired in FY15. Other Personnel costs went down significantly from last year's amount. As you may recall, FY15 figures included upfront costs related to the early retirement program, which three of our staff accepted. We were also able to reduce Administration costs by 3%.

As our ministries keep on growing, an ongoing challenge we face is the need for space and how to best accommodate all of the parish activities. There is much wear and tear on our facilities, as well as higher maintenance costs. This resulted in increased Physical Plant expenditures for FY16.

Liturgical expenses increased by 6%, primarily due to an increase in sacristy supplies and liturgical materials.

As with last year, the increase in our Music Ministry expenditures correlate with the increase in Music revenue as mentioned in this report.

In FY16, as part of our Youth Ministry program, the Parish sponsored 12 teenagers to participate in a pilgrimage to Poland for World Youth Day. The increase in Other Activities is largely due to this expense

Expenses for our Interparish Religious Education Program reflect a modest 3% increase over FY15.

Some of the small capital projects completed this year include renovating Hoefner Lounge and a nearby bathroom, both located in the lower floor of the Rectory, improvements to the Organ Loft and upgrades to the cooling system for our computer network room.

The surplus for FY16 will be used to pay for capital expenses incurred during FY16 and the remaining funds will be deposited into our operating reserves for future needs of the Parish.

A Final Word

I can assure you that the financial resources of the Parish will continue to be managed carefully and prudently with the assistance of our Parish Treasurer and the advice of the Parish Finance Committee. I am grateful for the diligent service of the Parish Finance Committee, especially in this year of transition. I would also like to acknowledge the outgoing members of the Parish Finance Committee, Marissa Blackett and Kenn Kern, for their dedication and years of service.

Our Parish is in very sound financial condition, which is directly attributed to your generous gifts of time, talent, and treasure. With your continued support and commitment, we can truly accomplish wonderful things for our parish as together we proclaim with joy the gospel message of Jesus Christ.

In our Lord, Rev. Dennis J. Yesalonia, S.J. Pastor

Note: Important ministries of our Parish are represented by the Grammar School and Day Nursery. Their annual operating budgets, respectively, are approximately \$5.9 million and \$3.2 million. While we are not including information on these budgets in this report, I wish to assure you of the overall financial health and good management of both institutions. We are blessed to have strong leadership provided by our Principals, Mary Larkin and Theodora Crist.

MEMBERS OF THE 2015-2016 FINANCE COMMITTEE Rev. Thomas H. Feely, S.J., Administrator Rev. Dennis J. Yesalonia, S.J. Marissa Blackett, Chair Charles Carroll Fernando Castro, Parish Treasurer Irene Aldridge, Day Nursery * Kenn Kern, Development * Danielle Klyap, Grammar School * Mary Rutherfurd, Music * Virginia Sheerin, Investment * * Sub-Committee Chair

CHURCH OF ST. IGNATIUS LOYOLA OPERATING EXPENSES

	Fiscal Year	Fiscal Year
Personnel	2015	2016
Salaries	1,133,924	1,165,681
Benefits	459,319	489,634
Other Personnel Costs	158,853	96,497
TOTAL PERSONNEL COSTS	1,752,096	1,751,812
Administration	361,078	352,239
Physical Plant Expenses	443,966	556,495
Liturgical Expenses		
Cantors, Choirs, Instrumentalists	236,457	240,041
Supplies	87,009	104,011
TOTAL LITURGICAL EXPENSES	323,466	344,052
Parish Activities		
Concerts	418,459	504,521
Other Activities	137,111	175,198
TOTAL PARISH ACTIVITIES	555,570	679,719
Archdiocesan Assessments	232,951	249,853
Interparish Religious Education	174,650	179,512
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	3,843,777	4,113,682

SUMMARY OF OPERATING FINANCES

TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE	4,428,774	4,486,659
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	3,843,777	4,113,682
OPERATING SURPLUS	584,997	372,977



ONLINE GIVING

Many of our parishioners make automatic online gifts to St. Ignatius. By giving online you no longer need to receive monthly envelopes in the mail. In addition, you may make gifts to our annual Parish collections, as well as to Archdiocesan special collections.



For further information, or to enroll in the St. Ignatius Loyola Online Giving Program, please visit our website, which can also be accessed by scanning the QR Code at left.

PLEASE REMEMBER US IN YOUR WILL

A donation to the Church of St. Ignatius Loyola in your will is fully tax deductible and will help sustain our work, our mission, and our ministries for future generations.

If you choose to include us in your will, won't you let us know? You can contact Fernando Castro, Treasurer, with information and/or questions at 212-288-3588 or email *castrof@saintignatiusloyola.org*

He can also assist you and your attorney with the standard language necessary to establish your charitable bequest. Any information you provide will be held in strict confidence.

Thank you for ensuring the legacy of your memory through a bequest to the Church of St. Ignatius Loyola.

Have You Registered?

If St. Ignatius Loyola is where you regularly worship, we invite you to fill out a Parishioner Registration Card located in the pew racks, at the Parish House, and on our website. Registration is our only means of certifying membership in the Parish.

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