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OUR BLESSED VOICES

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE

In the day to day operations of facilities of Blessed Sacrament Parish, one never has to look far to find something to do, something that needs to be done. But in addition to the ongoing maintenance; replacing light fixture ballasts, repairing plumbing fixtures and adjusting cabinet door hardware, there are some major projects in the works:

School Building

1. The property to the east of the School's parking lot, 1827 Lake Street, was acquired for the future expansion of the parking lot. While a date for construction has not been set, planning is underway. Current designs show a total potential increase of between 20 to 23 stalls. (our current lot has 45 stalls).
2. The west wing of the School, (the Old building) is in need of masonry restoration. The mortar joints need to be re-mortared or "tuckpointed". The mortar is ground out of the joints and replaced with new mortar. This helps to prevent moisture from entering the wall construction. Stutzmann Sealants has been awarded the contract for the work which was started last summer and will be finished by the end of summer 2017. The total cost for that work is \$121,300.00
3. The roof over the east wing of the school (the new building) experienced hail damage which together with the age of the roof required a complete roof replacement. This work was diligently completed this Fall by Weathercraft Company of Lincoln at the cost of \$101,644.00
4. The concrete drive on the south side of the school was replaced by AHC Concrete in addition to concrete repairs that were necessary on the north side of the school. This work replaced badly deteriorated concrete and tripping hazards. This was a huge improvement that we all benefit from.

The Church

1. The big project for the church has to do with the air conditioning. The heating, ventilating and air conditioning systems (HVAC) need work. The air conditioning barely made it through this last cooling season and is no longer functional. The boiler system, while it still functions, needs to be brought into compliance with current code.
2. Design work is currently underway for the new HVAC system. A heat pump system will replace the existing water cooled "pump & dump" system circa 1949. The new system will include cooling to the Night Chapel as well as a separate system for the rear of the church as well as the Choir Loft. The system in the Brides Room will also be replaced. Early estimates for this work is in the range of \$180,000 to \$200,000.00.
3. The goal is to have the new system installed before our next "cooling" season (next summer). We hope to have some construction underway by early March.

Rectory

1. Repair work has been done by volunteers, replacing rotted soffits and fascia boards. The repaired areas and other portions of the Rectory were also repainted.
2. The existing garage where mowers are stored is being replaced. The garage will be built north of the rectory driveway. Once the existing garage is removed, we believe it will create a potential space for 6 cars to park. The majority of the labor required for this work is being done by volunteers.

Blessed Sacrament Events Calendar

JANUARY

- 7 Knights of Columbus Chili Cook Off
- 11 Implementation Plan Open Forum
- 14 Parish Dinner sponsored by KOC
- 15 Parish Breakfast sponsored by KOC
- 15 Council Free Throw Contest
- 20-22 Light of the World Retreat
- 30 - February 3 Catholic Schools Week

FEBRUARY

- 7 Kindergarten Preview
- 11 Table for Ten

MARCH

- 1 Ash Wednesday
- 10 Knights of Columbus Fish Fry
- 17 Knights of Columbus Fish Fry
- 19 Stewardship Fair
- 24 Knights of Columbus Fish Fry
- 31 Knights of Columbus Fish Fry

APRIL

- 7 Knights of Columbus Fish Fry
- 9 Palm Sunday
- 10-14 Holy Week
- 14 Good Friday
- 15 Easter Vigil
- 16 Easter Sunday

MAY

- 24 Last Day of School
- 25 Ascension

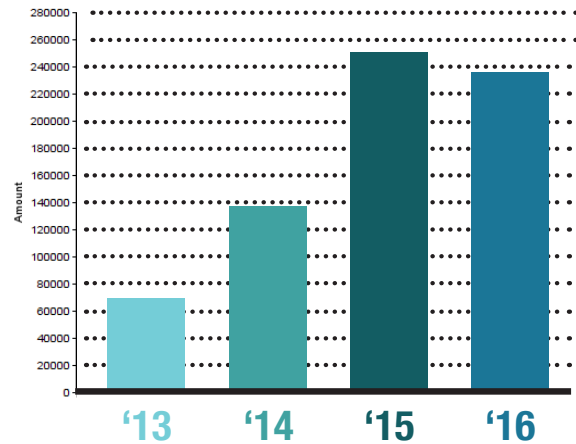
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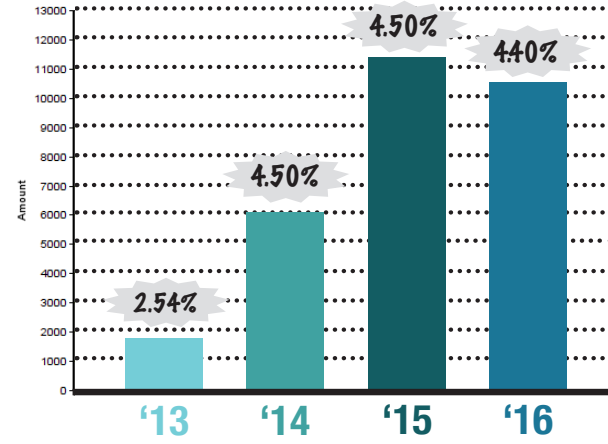
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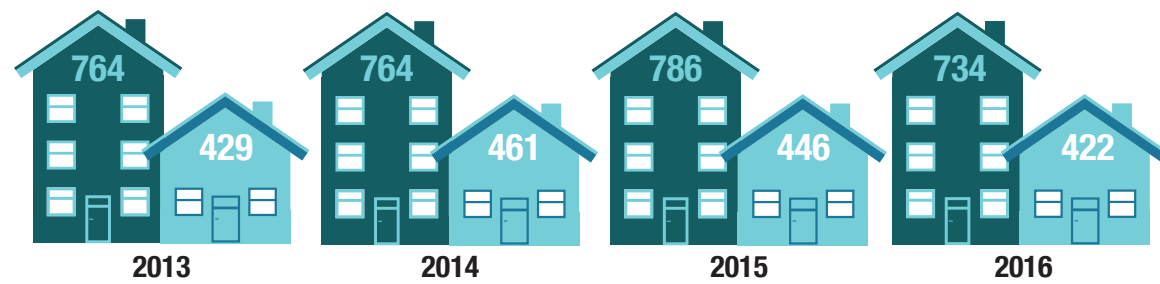
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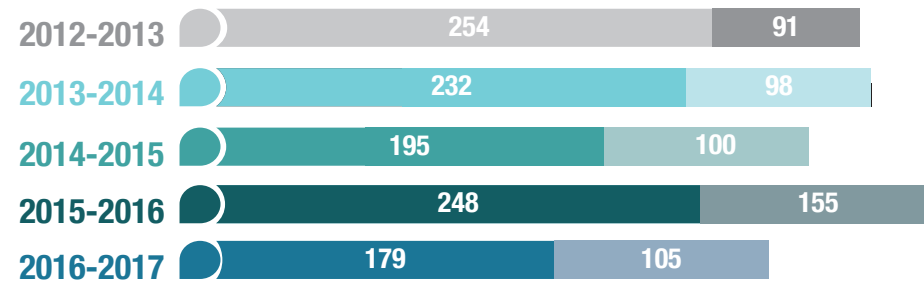
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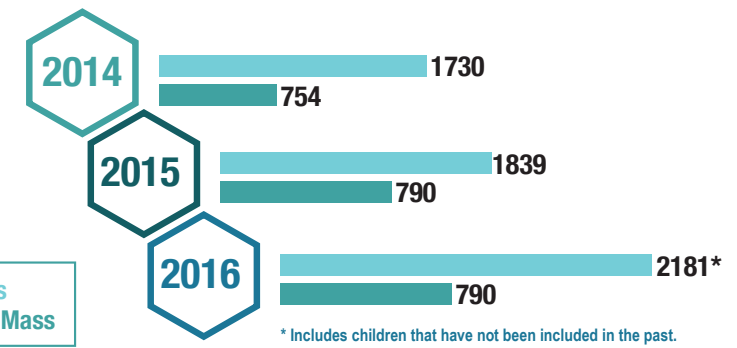
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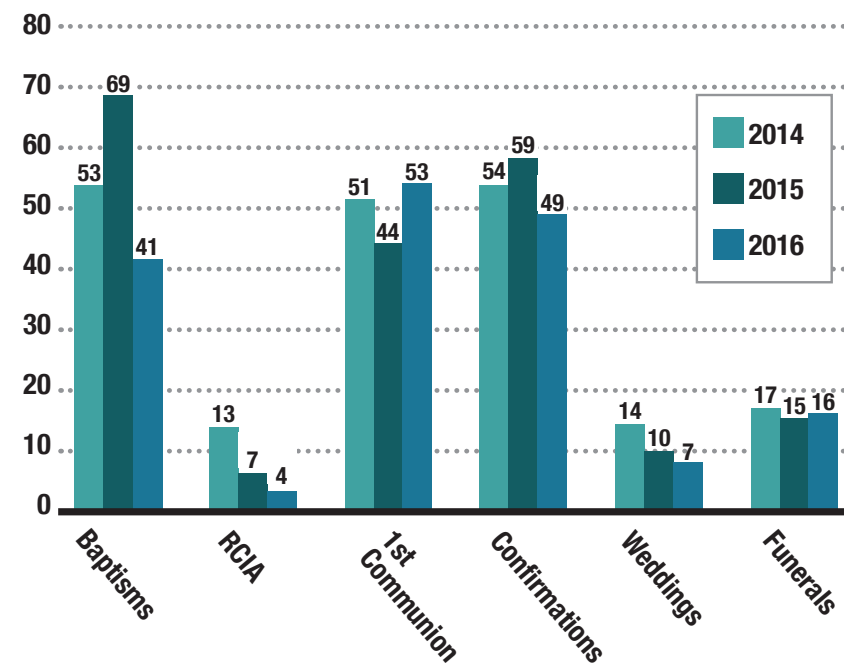


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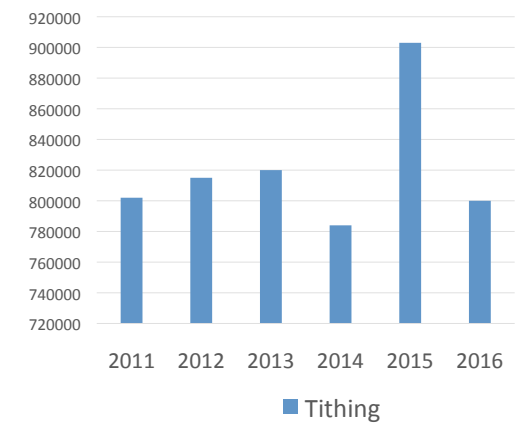
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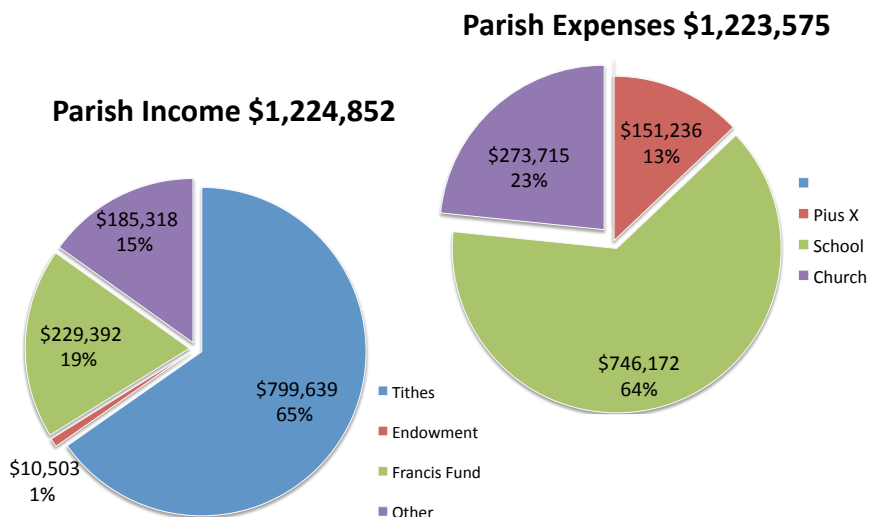
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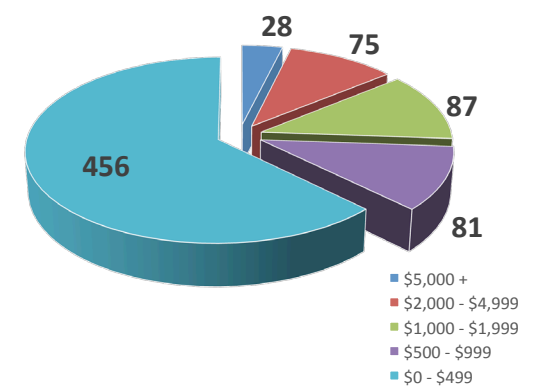
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Parish Actuals for '15-'16 FY



Parish Giving for '15-'16 FY



Blessed Sacrament's Fiscal Year is June 30th to July 1st