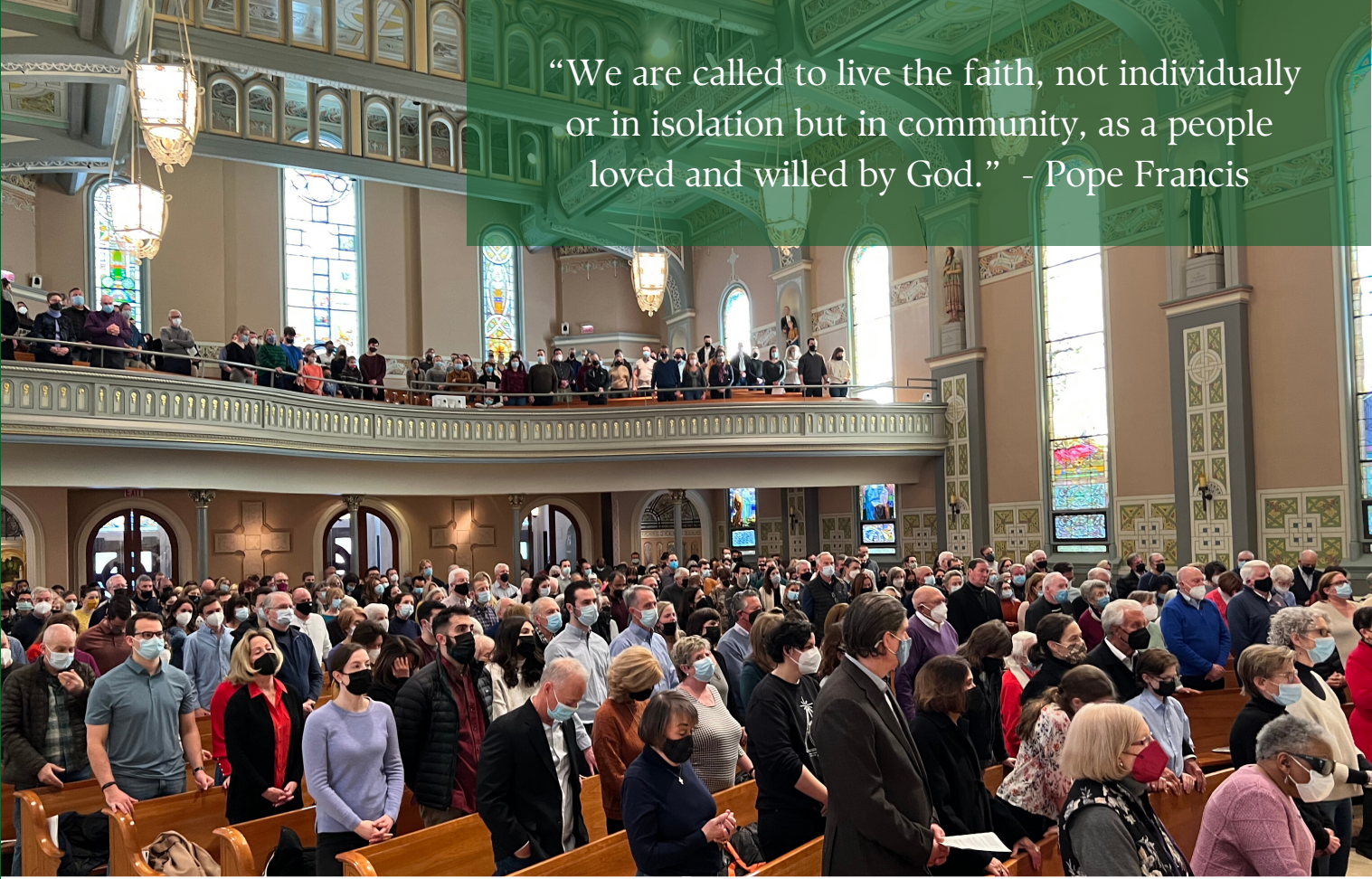


“We are called to live the faith, not individually or in isolation but in community, as a people loved and willed by God.” - Pope Francis



2021 - 2022 Stewardship Report



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We believe we can find meaning and purpose in our lives and build a better world through a vibrant and distinctive faith experience. We envision this to be community-driven, lay-led, and Christ-centered in a way that challenges and supports the institutional church, acting as a model for the future of Catholic communities in our city. Leading us onward and upholding our vision is an emphasis on community, spirituality, justice, and service.

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Leading a movement of change within the Catholic church marked by radical inclusivity, exquisite worship, and transformative kinship.



Encounter the God who loves you
Engage the community who welcomes you
Serve the world that needs you

Introduction to Stewardship

September 2022

St. Ignatius of Loyola once wrote that ingratitude is “the cause, beginning and origin of all sins and misfortunes.” His insight is that if we forget how good and generous God has been to us in Christ and if we fail to notice the blessings of our lives we can lose our way. Recognizing God’s love for us made manifest in our lives, impels us to gratitude and a desire to be of service to others.

In the pages of this report, we celebrate how the Old St. Patrick’s community has recognized God’s goodness to us and been moved to share who we are and what we have with a world so desperately longing for community, connection and meaning. Coming back together in person for worship has been a deep consolation for us. As Vatican II says, the Mass is for us the source and summit of our Christian life. Eucharist means “thanksgiving” and as we gather we are reminded of God’s mercy and kindness to us and then we are sent to co-labor with Christ. In the stories of this report, we see God at work in and through the people of Old St. Patrick’s.

Thank you for all that you do to make Old St. Patrick’s the extraordinary faith community that it is! Thank you for sharing your gifts so generously and helping us expand the circle of kinship wider and wider. May we continue to joyfully respond to God’s call to become the people we were created to be. Thanks be to God!

Gratefully,



Rev. Patrick E McGrath, S.J.



Video Message from Fr. Pat McGrath

Transform us through the power of your Spirit to nurture a Stewardship way of life marked by faith-filled prayer, service to our neighbor, and generous sharing.



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COMMUNITY & SPIRITUALITY

We are called to gather in community. Jesus taught us to be people for others and with others. As we follow his teachings, we are encouraged to come together to take care of our brothers and sisters. This year, in gathering once again in person, we affirmed our belief that great things happen when we assemble as the Body of Christ each Sunday for Mass. And we reaffirmed that great things happen when we gather in ways large and small outside of Sunday Mass, whether it's with friends in a social ministry like Encounter or Encore or at a joyful celebration like Brunch on the Block or Broadway on Adams. We are grateful to you, the community of Old St. Patrick's, for being one with us. Please take a look at just some of the ways we came together.

MEMBERSHIP

9,154 | Registered Families

916 | Zip Codes

236 | New Members

VIRTUAL COMMUNITY

155,660 | Livestream Views

864 | New Followers on Social Media

110 | Countries reached by Livestream

17,945 | Podcast Downloads

1,800 | People attended Shamrock'n the Block

1st Annual Brunch on the Block

"We are one body, individually members of one another." - Romans 12:4-8



New Member Dinner

600 | People attended Broadway on Adams

to benefit the Firehouse Community Arts Center in North Lawndale, Harmony Hope and Healing, and Foundations Youth Ministry. Bar tips went to OSP's Encounter Young Adult Ministry. Click the photo to watch the recording of the incredible performance.





Sharon Helderle, pictured here with her husband Dan and daughters Lila and Rose, has been a member since 1996. Dan joined OSP in 2006 and, together, they've grown as a family rooted in faith.

"Church isn't just where we pray... it's where we pray together."

For our family being able to return to OSP in person has been especially meaningful to our youngest, her 1st Communion was postponed because of the pandemic and all the excitement and preparation was put on hold. The following fall when we all returned to OSP for her to receive the Eucharist and every time since has felt like an extra special blessing and one we are incredibly grateful for. There is just something special that happens when we worship together."

- Sharon Helderle

PASTORAL CARE

3,000 | Handwritten Prayer Cards

300 | Prayer & Wellness Packages

1,300 | At-home Communion Delivered

2,455

People attended Adult Spiritual Formations



CELEBRATED SACRAMENTS



281 Baptisms | 99 First Communions
91 First Reconciliations | 98 Confirmations
111 Marriages | 36 Funerals

Spiritual Ministries



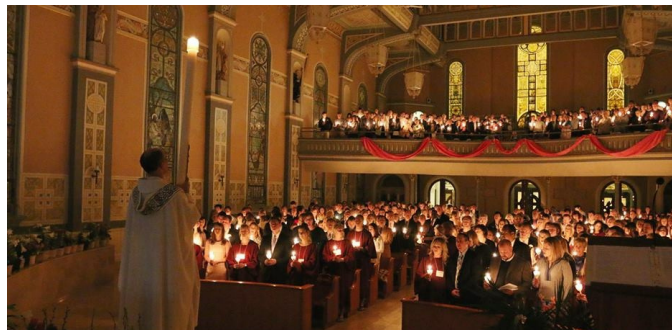
Adult Education Ministries, Beloved, Encounter, Encore LGBTQ+ Ministry, Marriage Ministry, Men's Spirituality, Mindfulness-Based Stress Reduction, Monday Evening Rosary Group, Online Meditation Chapel, Off-Sight Insight Speaker Evenings, and Spiritual Companionship

26

Spiritual Retreats Hosted



124 students took part in OSP Teen Ministry, Foundations





Justice Ministries
 Racial Equity & Justice Initiative,
 North Lawndale Kinship
 Initiative, Social Justice in Action,
 JustFaith, OSP Green Team, the
 LGBTQ+ Ministry, and the
 Immigrant & Refugee Ministry



"You have been told what is good, and what the Lord requires of you: only to do justice and to love goodness, and to walk humbly with our God." - Micah 6:8

JUSTICE & SERVICE

At the heart of the Old St. Pat's vision and mission is our call to do justice. As a community, we are committed to living the Gospel through direct service, community development and organizing, and political advocacy. Together we work to create spaces of justice and healing and to build right relationships amongst our human family. **Guided by Jesus**, members strive to be disciples and agents of change toward a better world through Outreach, Kinship, and Social Justice. This past year, **152 people** came together for Courageous Conversations to educate themselves and others and to care for all who suffer at the hands of inequality and discrimination.



4 | Resettled Refugee Families through Heartland Alliance



12 | Peace Circles & Conversations on Race with St. Agatha's



North Lawndale Kinship Initiative
 The North Lawndale Kinship Initiative celebrated 10 years of friendship between North Lawndale and the OSP community. This community development partnership has brought diverse collaboration to transform our communities. Watch the video to learn more.



Frieda's Place
 OSP members came together to help Outreach Partner, Frieda's Place, a community kitchen for individuals experiencing hunger. Banding together, members were able to locate and install a much needed oven. To read more, visit bit.ly/Frieda



YMEN Bread of Life Breakfast



Through outreach opportunities, Old St. Pat's members serve the Chicago community and other communities in the United States through volunteer opportunities including meal preparation and distribution, blood drives, school supply drives, coat and winter wear drives, the Giving Tree at Christmastime, Easter baskets, and so much more. Each summer, **100 Foundations teens** travel to communities in other parts of the United States to perform service work and minister to people in need.



Foundations teens travel across the country to support communities experiencing poverty.

Emerald Day of Service
 In lieu of our annual Emerald Ball, thanks to the generosity of the OSP community, we provided approximately 1,800 meals and winter packs to 10 shelters in the Chicagoland area.



Outreach Partners
 Adult Literacy Program, Blood Drive, Cara Chicago, Chicago Food Depository, The Children's Place, House of Mary and Joseph, Interfaith House, Little Brothers - Friends of the Elderly, Special Olympics, St. Agatha's Sharing Parish, Su Casa, Trinity Volunteer Corps, and University of Illinois Hospital Pediatrics

6 | Worktours

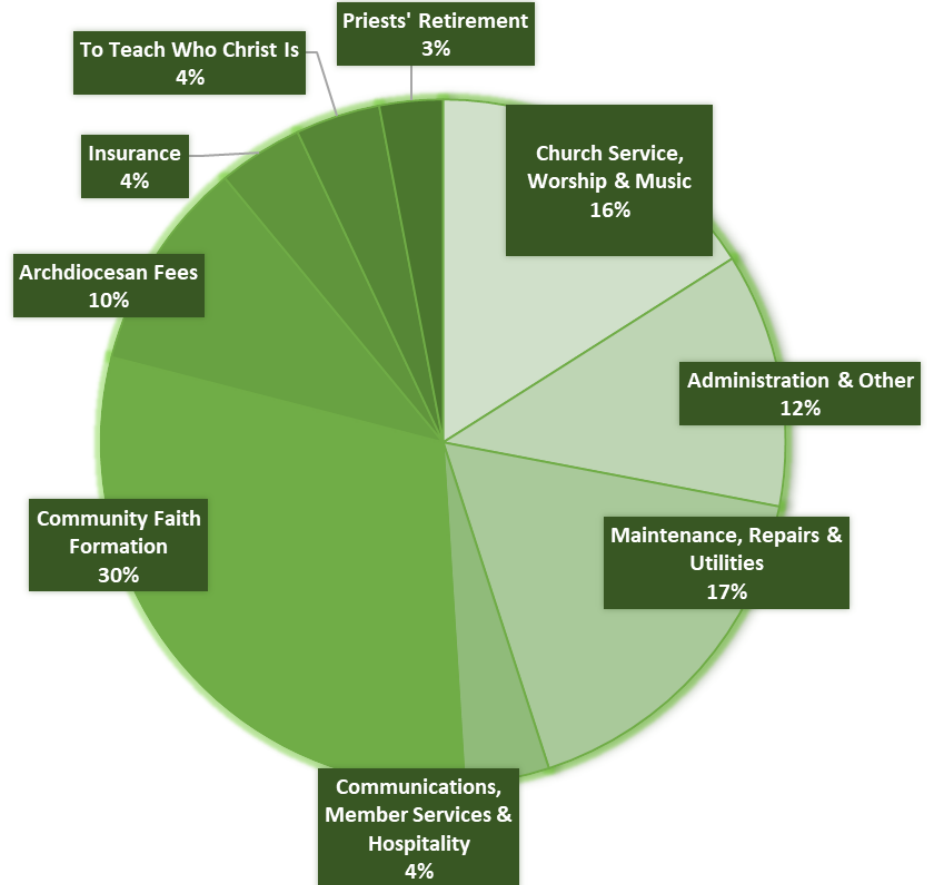
36 | Meal Preparation Opportunities

Outreach Service
 Giving Tree, Target Shopping Elves, Easter Baskets for Special Olympics, Family Ministry Monthly Service Projects, UI Health Pediatric Memorial, FXWS Service Projects, Donations & Drives for the Shelters, Frieda's Kitchen Commercial Oven, & the Winter Clothing Drive



FINANCIAL INFORMATION

FY22 Operating Budget - \$3.17 Million



Thanks to the generosity of the Old St. Pat's community, the annual Sunday Giving Commitment funded 96% of the OSP budget. **1,566 of the 2,643 donors** are recurring givers.

Board of Advisors

We are grateful to all of the members of our Board of Advisors for their wisdom and guidance during this past 18 months of transition. We especially thank Ken Hiltz, Tim Keneally and Roseanne Loftus for their years of service and wish them well. We look forward to seeing you at mass and around Old St. Pat's!

Mike Hobbs, Chair

Kevin Hanley

Colleen Healy

Ken Hiltz

Michael Kennedy

Tim Keneally

Roseanne Loftus

John Weinheimer

Jennifer Wyatt

PROJECT WORTHY PURPOSE

Because of the immense generosity of our members including a generous bequest, Old St. Pat's ended FY21 with an operating surplus. Staff and board of advisors leadership decided to share the surplus with organizations in need through an initiative we called Project Worthy Purpose. To determine how we would share funds, a small committee of staff and board members convened to consider organizations with which we already had established relationships and whose missions aligned in some way with the mission of Old St. Pat's. This meant we looked at other Catholic parishes in need in the Archdiocese, organizations in North Lawndale, our own outreach partner organizations, and hurricane and refugee relief aid. We're proud to share that we were able to distribute \$400,000 amongst the following organizations:



North Lawndale Area Recreation Association (NLARA), which strives to create a dynamic, community-focused athletic environment for children and adolescents that fosters their personal growth, health and character development through sports opportunities provided by informed and compassionate coaches, parents and mentors.



New Covenant Community Development Corporation (NCCDC), which aims to establish sustainable economic growth and opportunities in the North Lawndale Community through developing, empowering and supporting entrepreneurs and businesses. OSP's grant enabled the NCCDC to purchase and implement a data and management system.



St. Agatha Catholic Church in North Lawndale, which offers Sunday masses, various ministries, a food pantry, after school and summer programming for kids, community dinners, domestic violence outreach and many more programs serving the people of North Lawndale. This grant was used to help close a budget shortfall experienced by St. Agatha.



Unlocking Communities, founded by an Old St. Pat's member, equips entrepreneurs with the education and tools to sell sustainable products that unlock economic, social and environmental transformation in their communities. Our grant was for economic development in Haiti via water filtrations systems and stoves.



Career Transitions Center, one of OSP's partner organizations and housed in the Mary and Bill Aronin Center for Social Concerns, empowers professionals to find meaningful employment.



Harmony, Hope and Healing, an OSP partner housed in the Mary and Bill Aronin Center for Social Concerns provides welcoming spaces for people experiencing trauma and isolation to heal through creative self-expression, music and the arts.



Empower to Succeed, created in 2016 by a committed group of Old St. Pat's members and community volunteers to work with The Night Ministry and North Lawndale College Prep High School to provide year-round residence for high school students experiencing homelessness or housing instability known as Phoenix Hall. Today, The Night Ministry operates Phoenix Hall in conjunction with its STEPS transitional housing initiative, to provide housing to students ages 16-24 in North Lawndale. This grant was used for maintenance and building expenses at Phoenix Hall.



Immigrant & Refugee Rights Committee at Old St. Pat's believes we are called to welcome the stranger and the marginalized, to counter divisiveness and to see the face of God in all people. In that spirit, the committee works to accompany refugees in Chicago by sponsoring families and walking alongside them in comfort and support. The committee also strives to educate themselves and our community about issues facing refugees and to advocate for just and compassionate policies around immigration, immigration reform and refugee resettlement. Our grant was used toward housing and living expenses for Afghan, Columbian, Honduran, Burmese, and Syrian families.



Catholic Charities Afghan Refugee Resettlement helped refugees fleeing Afghanistan in 2021 settle in Chicago. Through comprehensive case management, job development and K-12 education services, Catholic Charities staff and volunteers accompany refugee clients as they transition to their new lives in moving toward self sufficiency.



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SAVE THE DATE

ENCOUNTER TAIZE PRAYER
Wednesday, September 28th

BREAD OF LIFE BREAKFAST
Saturday, October 1st

PET BLESSING
Tuesday, October 4th

SUNDAY GIVING APPEAL
Month of October

NORTH LAWNDALE 5K
Sunday, October 5th

CHICAGO MARATHON
Sunday, October 9th

IRM EDUCATION EVENT
Thursday, October 13th

ENCORE OKTOBERFEST
Sunday, October 23rd

MASS OF REMEMBRANCE
Sunday, November 6th

PADRAIG O TUAMA
November 9th & 10th

BELOVED RETREAT
November 18-20

THANKSGIVING DAY MASS
Thursday, November 24th



To view a complete calendar of upcoming events at Old St. Pat's,
please go to www.oldstpats.org/events or scan the bar code below.



Old St. Patrick's Church Mass Schedule

Weekday Mass Schedule

Tuesday at 12:10 PM

Wednesday at 7 AM, 12:10 PM, & 5:30 PM

Thursday at 12:10 PM

Livestream available Wednesdays at 12:10 PM

Weekend Mass Schedule

Sunday at 7 AM, 9 AM,
11 AM, 5 PM, & 8 PM

Livestream available Sundays at 9 AM & 5 PM



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