



OUR LADY of
GOOD COUNSEL
CATHOLIC CHURCH

***“All through love,
nothing through force or fear”***

Fiscal Year 2019-2020

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

My prayer is that all of you and all whom you love are safe and well in the midst of this pandemic. I am writing to you to address our accomplishments from last year’s fiscal year that are attached, and to mention some things as we enter this fall season.

I am so very proud of the generosity of our community. Over two days in September, we raised over \$16,000 in cash and gift cards, and we filled ten cars, trucks, and vans with non-perishable items for both Committee for Helping Others (CHO) and Food for Others. The 1st Sunday of the month’s coat drive collected more than 20 bags of new or gently used coats.



This is such an incredible statement about the willingness to be supportive of our community. During this year, we will continue to ask for your outreach to those in need in our area. In October, we will collect items to fill “Power Packs” for those children who need our help and support, especially on the weekends.

In addition to our outreach, we are looking at different areas for our growth as a community. We have contracted with a company to replace our sound system in the church. Similarly, I will be sharing other facility needs over the coming months.

We have also formed a Safety and Security Team, who have helped us ensure the safety of all who come onto our campus, especially our children. The committee is looking at our locks and doors to confirm that our campus is as safe and secure as possible. We will be placing new signs, asking people to respect that we are private property with more than 470 children on the campus Monday through Friday, and more than 600 to 700 students when we return to CCF classes after COVID. Please help us make sure that OLGCC is the safe and secure environment and campus it needs to be.

The motto for our year is “In Christ ~ Stronger Together.” All that we do this year as a community is to make us stronger, more faithful in Christ, and better together. Please, let us continue to support, to strengthen, and to build one another up as we continue through this year of 2020 and into 2021.

Rev. Matthew J. Hillyard, OSFS
Pastor

Pastoral Plan: Year Three “Mission” Accomplishments as of Sept. 2020

Liturgy & Worship:

- **Working Sound system in Church and Chapel** – In process, approval has been received by the Diocese, contacts have been signed and components have been ordered and work will begin in the Fall.
- **Sanctuary Refurbishment & Chapel Accessibility to Altar** - Work is being prioritized at this time. Several issues need to be addressed such as rotting windowsills, more inviting yet secure doors, replace worn carpeting, restore seating in the rear of the church near De Sales Hall and revamp the music area & altar accessibility. This is ongoing and will continue through Year IV.
- **Baptismal Font** – This has been put on hold for the time being.
- **Children’s Choir** - This has been put on hold for the time being.
- **Recruitment of School/CCF Parents for Ministries** – On-going with Faith Formation.
- **Cry Room** – Because of the restrictions of COVID-19, this has been put on hold.
- **Ministry of Hospitality** – This ministry was started, and because of how we are celebrating Mass during this time, the role of Ministry of Hospitality has been subsumed into the Ministry of Porter.



Faith Formation:

- **Expand Greater Participation in Mass**—We hosted Bishop Barron’s The Mass to cultivate greater understanding of the Mass and sent out resources to Faith Formation Families. COVID-19 sent us a huge curveball with this one and we have encouraged virtual Mass as much as we can. This objective is a work in progress.
- **Small Faith Sharing Groups** – We started a Small Faith Sharing Prayer Group July 2020...hoping to get more started FY 21. These have also taken the shape of adult bible studies and book clubs, Drafts with DeSales for Young Professions, and Hello Scripture for Teens. We will continue to discern how best to offer continued opportunities for small faith-sharing groups.
- **Expand College student participation** – Derek maintaining relationships with the Youth Ministry alumni and connecting them with their college campus ministries, host opportunities to volunteer or meet up when they are in town. We have also seen the alumni continuing to meet up on their own with the friends they made at OLGC. OLGC Business Network hosted a career night to match young people with mentors in the parish, and to provide job skills experience such as resume and interviewing skills.
- **Continue to expand Young Professional** – We hosted monthly Drafts with DeSales, which continued virtually and we hosted virtual game nights. OLGC Business Network hosted a career night to match young people with mentors in the parish, and to provide job skills experience such as resume and interviewing skills. We will be discerning other opportunities we can provide FY 21.
- **Increase Faith Formation Ability to Serve Those with Special Needs** – Light of Mine Ministry for Youth will Special Needs and their families was established FY 20 and hoping to continue virtually for FY21.
- **Spanish Community Catechesis** – We coordinated our Baptismal Prep Sessions to host sessions in both Spanish and English at the same time and to cover the same material for a more unified approach. We will continue to discern how best to meet needs.
- **Women’s Bible Study** – Since we didn’t receive much interest in a Women’s Bible Study, we instead established a Women’s Book Club, which will continue FY 21. It is currently at max capacity and can consider expanding if there is enough interest.
- **Catechesis Sharing** – CCF/School – We decided to change the CCF curriculum so that we would be using the same book series as the School and continued to collaborate on Sacramental Prep. FY21, we are hoping to collaborate more, especially with CCF starting virtually this year.
- **Enhance Confirmation** – We are constantly discerning how best to provide a dynamic Confirmation formation experience and also make it a manageable formation for busy families. COVID-19 has added extra challenges, especially with service opportunities and gathering all the Confirmandi together.
- **Weave throughout the Generations** – We continue to promote Salesian Spirituality within all Faith Formation opportunities and host opportunities for a variety of age groups.

Fellowship:

- **St Joseph Center Renovation** – This has been placed on hold as we need to prioritize maintenance work on the property before we undergo a large project.
- **Track and Field improvements** – This project has been placed on hold, due to the large scope of work, cost and safety and security of property.
- **Enhanced Fellowship Coordination** – Now that we have an Events Manager on staff, all events and scheduling has one point of contact.
- **Improved Key Access** – An official keycard process and key boxes have been established so that volunteers can access the meeting spaces they need. More improvements will be forthcoming in the FY 2020-21.
- **Scheduling system for Groups** – All OLGC groups and outside groups use the [Facilities Request Form](#) to schedule events at the end of one Fiscal year for the next one.

Outreach:

- **Grow Ecumenical Program** – Jack Dausman as the Ecumenical Representative for OLGC has been working hard to make connections with Churches and faith groups in our community and will continue to do so going forward.
- **Expand Care for Common Home Program** – As part of an ongoing Catechesis on Catholic Social Teaching we dedicated the year to Care for Creation. Held a discussion group to explore the Principle of the Catholic Social teaching on Care for Creation, this will continue in the future. The Covid19 Virus sidelined the creation of a Care Team to implement this principle here at OLGC and to encourage parishioners to do so in their homes and places of work.
- **Twinning with Parish in Haiti (or other)** – On going preparation and viability study.
- **Activities at DeSales Service Works** – Due to schedule conflicts with DSW we were unable to travel to DSW for a volunteer experience and reflection this past year.
- **Continue Social Concerns Program** – With the help of many volunteers we continue to respond to the needs of those in our area who need essentials to live. As a parish we collected food, coats, Christmas gifts, money for SVdP, and meals for school age children.
- **Expand Pillars Program** – Initial discussions were held to reach out to parishioners who no longer are able to attend OLGC because of health or age. During the Covid19 crisis our parish reached out to many senior members via phone calls and letters to just keep a connection with them as they were sheltered in place.

School:

- **Blue Ribbon Re-certification and/or Cardinal Newman Society Award** – Due to other initiatives and COVID19 we were not able to implement this during 2019-20 but will continue to add it to future goals.
- **Expand STREAM centered approach – into classrooms** – The School is so proud to have made major strides in our abilities to reach all of our learners. When COVID19 happened, we were able to switch into an online learning platform that allowed everyone to continue to learn from home.
- **Improve our ability to teach children at all levels** - We have a full time speech therapist and occupational therapist employed now and were successful in securing a grant from Porto Charities to hire Miss Celeste, a young woman with Down Syndrome, to join our staff. We are blessed to continue to work on our goal of more inclusive opportunities for everyone in our community.
- **Expansion of after-school activities – K-3 and preschool** – We implemented aftercare for preschool and our after-school activities included the following opportunities. Chess, Yoga - Mindfulness & Movement for Kids, Power U, Robotics, Dance & Theater, Irish dancing, and Coding.

Administrative

- **Implement Facilities Committee** - In Nov 2019, the committee was formed. Has evaluated facilities personnel needs and assisted in staffing the facilities staff. They have prioritized the necessary major improvements and projects to the campus. Future projects with the Safety & Security Committee on security enhancements are in the works which include improved lighting, surveillance cameras and door security.
- **Implement a Technology Committee** - In Feb 2020, the committee was formed. Has assisted the school in acquiring projectors and white boards from Paul VI and has started to create a Technology Plan for the parish and school. Future projects include installation of projectors and boards and working with Facilities and Safety & Security committees on Surveillance cameras and door security.
- **Implement a Safety & Security Team** - In March 2020, the committee was formed. Has assisted the Church and School with implementing COVID19 guidelines and have volunteered to be Porters at Mass. Future projects with the Facilities Committee on security enhancements are in the works which include improved lighting, surveillance cameras and door security.
- **Continue Parish-wide Green Initiatives in support of Common Home activities** - First initiative was to have people bring their own coffee mugs to the monthly Donut Socials.

Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish
Report to Parishioners
FY20 Financial Report

		Church	School	Parish
Balance Sheet	ASSETS			
	Operating Accounts	514,262	375,348	889,610
	DIAL Savings	1,842,067	612,679	2,454,746
	Fixed Assets	-	-	-
	Endowment Investments	-	-	-
	Other Assets	200	11,735	11,935
	TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 2,356,529	\$ 999,762	\$ 3,356,291
	LIABILITIES			
	Accounts Payable	31,873	5,910	37,783
	Loans Payable	820,400	-	820,400
	Deferred Revenue	11,850	235,262	247,112
	Other Liabilities	69,588	150,557	220,145
	TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 933,711	\$ 391,729	\$ 1,325,440
	NET ASSETS			
	Unrestricted	1,127,105	37,126	1,164,231
Temporarily Restricted	295,713	520,907	816,620	
Permanently Restricted	-	50,000	50,000	
TOTAL NET ASSETS	\$ 1,422,818	\$ 608,033	\$ 2,030,851	
TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS	\$ 2,356,529	\$ 999,762	\$ 3,356,291	
REVENUE SOURCES				
	Church	School	Parish	
Offertory/Tuition Related Income	2,395,418	3,155,575	5,550,993	
Ministry	278,473	-	278,473	
School	-	904,535	904,535	
Other Sources	747,859	329,531	1,077,389	
TOTAL OPERATING INCOME	\$ 3,421,750	\$ 4,389,641	\$ 7,811,391	
EXPENDITURES				
	Church	School	Parish	
Clergy	140,041	-	140,041	
Staffing	1,051,247	3,435,994	4,487,241	
Ministry	453,029	-	453,029	
School	605,759	178,823	784,582	
Buildings	340,892	362,921	703,813	
Admin	542,633	254,844	797,477	
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSE	\$ 3,133,601	\$ 4,232,582	\$ 7,366,183	
NET OPERATING SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	\$ 288,148	\$ 157,060	\$ 445,208	
OTHER INCOME AND EXPENSE				
	Church	School	Parish	
Campaign/Extraordinary Income	117,787	-	117,787	
Capital Expenditures/Renovations	179,106	144,274	323,380	
NET OTHER INCOME (EXPENSE)	\$ (61,318)	\$ (144,274)	\$ (205,593)	
NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	\$ 226,830	\$ 12,785	\$ 239,615	

2020 Second Collections and Donations

Adopt a Family	2,676
Bishop's Lenten Appeal	11,645
Black and Indian Missions	9,269
Britepaths	3,100
Cameroon Catholic Community	6,299
Campaign for Human Development	7,808
Catholic Charities	15,197
Catholic Communication Campaign	2,012
Catholic Home Missions	3,263
Catholic Relief Services	16,805
Catholic University of America	4,276
Central and Eastern Europe	7,544
CHO	1,800
Church in Africa	6,691
Church in Latin America	7,598
Diocesan Priests Retirement	16,485
Holy Land Shrines	3,083
Illf Programs	8,869
KOVAR	4,978
Little Sisters of the Poor	19,958
Military Vicariate	10,625
Oblate Annual Appeal	21,570
Oblate Formation Development (Malawi)	17,397
Oblate Mission Appeal	15,449
Peter's Pence	11,775
Retirement Fund for Religious	4,969
Special Kids Special Needs	7,752
St. Vincent De Paul	76,744
World Mission Sunday	8,805
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