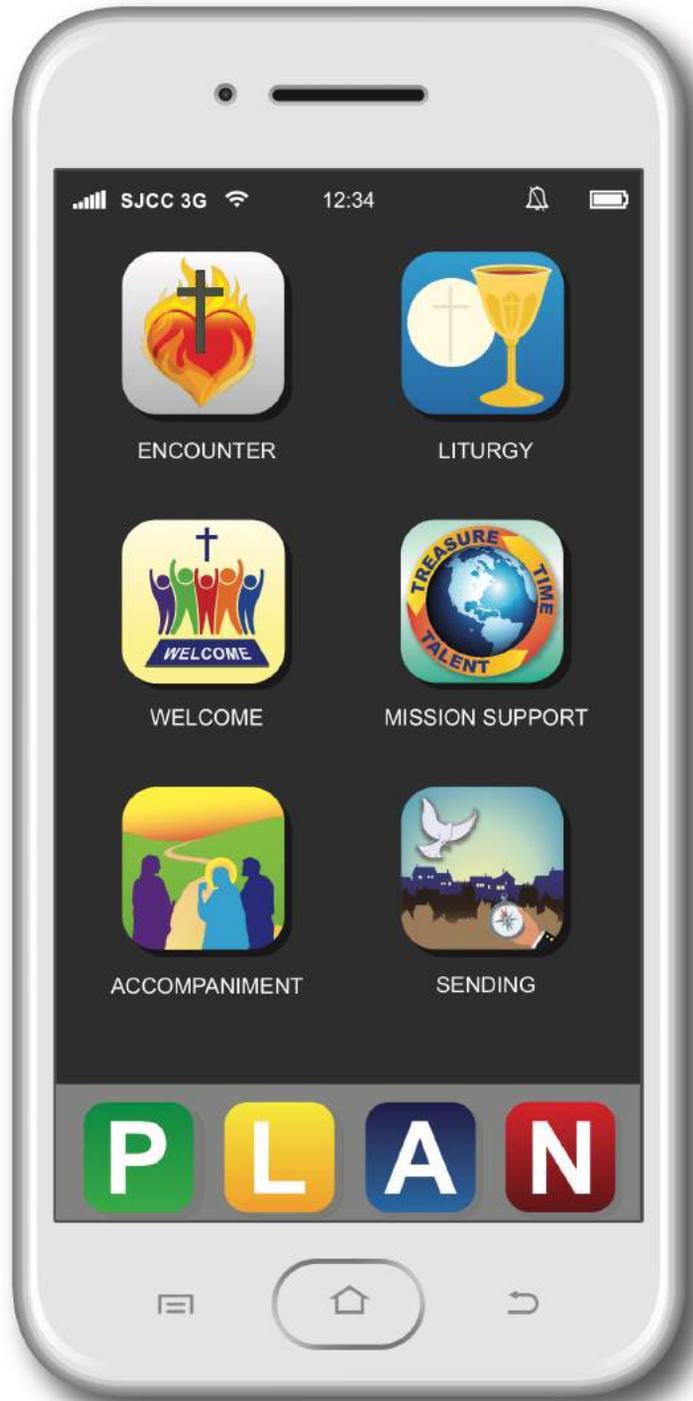


Saint Joseph Catholic Community
2018 ANNUAL REPORT



Saint Joseph Mission and Vision

The Mission and Vision Statements frame present and future activities of Saint Joseph Catholic Community (SJCC). The mission describes our purpose for being and how we do what we do. The vision is our guide - a vivid depiction of the result of how we carry out our ministries.

Mission Statement: We, the members of Saint Joseph Catholic Community, embrace the Gospel as we celebrate the sacraments, share our faith, and create a spiritual home for our neighbors. Inspired by the Blessed Virgin Mary's "yes" to the Holy Spirit, we nourish and strengthen the faith of each individual and family, embody Jesus in our personal actions and parish ministries, and profess God's message to our neighbors.

Vision Statement: Embracing Christ's Life and Reflecting His Love

Directory

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Letter from the Pastor and Chair of the PPC

Friends in Christ-

The fiscal year July 1, 2017 - June 30, 2018, was for St. Joseph intense and future-focused. The intensity was primarily around the area of staffing. The Society of Mary, the Marianists, concluded its celebration of 200 years, while its Eldersburg Community was reduced from four to two members. For a period of four months, there was only one Marianist priest on staff. In addition to the move to New Jersey of Fr. David McGuigan, a wonderful priest and a great preacher, we also experienced the departure of Maria Klicpera as Business Manager, a role in which she excelled. These changes prompted a staff restructuring resulting in the addition of a second staff member to work in the area of Adult Faith Formation, the creation of a new position, Director of Mission, and the modification of the Business Manager position to Director of Mission Support. This new structure relieves the Pastor of detailed staff supervision and helps focus the parish administration on missionary discipleship.

Our focus on the future is faith-filled and bold. We established an Implementation Team to roll-out SJCC's Parish Pastoral Plan. Building upon the objectives to deepen missionary discipleship in Liturgy, Accompaniment, and Encounter, we added objectives around the remaining three mission priorities-namely, Welcome, Sending, and Mission Support. Then, under the leadership of the Implementation Team, the Staff and Commissions defined specific "action steps" to help ensure we realize our goals around each of these 6 Mission Priorities, listed on the cover of the report.

On April 15th we began our celebrations of the 150th Jubilee of the parish when Archbishop Lori presided at Mass. We have called ourselves to reflect upon our "Journey in Christ: Remembering the past, Celebrating the present, Dreaming for the future."

Finally, the financial statement included in this Report shows that yet again many members of St. Joseph Catholic Community have been generous. We ended the year with a surplus of 4% of the total offertory. To those who have yet to contribute, we invite you to engage with the weekly Offertory program. To all who have contributed--thank you for your gifts.

As we move into 2019, we aspire to embark upon a journey that leads to a renewed spirit of evangelization and a cultural transformation where the Holy Spirit truly inspires us to encounter Christ, live the Word, and accompany others on their spiritual journey.

May Peace Be With You,

Neville O'Donohue, Pastor

Christy Sommerville, Chair of the Parish Pastoral Council



LITURGY

Liturgy: To fully and intentionally engage in prayer, worship, and sacramental life that flow from baptism and reverential participation in the Eucharist – the source and summit of our faith. When this happens, it produces the good fruit of Vibrant Liturgy.

On average, 1681 parishioners attend one of 5 Sunday Mass each week. We also celebrate six daily Masses during the week. On the third Sunday of each month, we celebrate a Family Mass at 10 AM. During this Mass, children read the scriptures, the Children's Choir sings, and families carry offertory gifts. The Prayer Bowl, located in the Narthex is brought to the altar at First Friday Daily Mass. The intentions are prayed for during the Mass. Prayer requests may be placed in the bowl at any time.



Reconciliation occurs every Saturday and Sunday. A Reconciliation Service was held during Advent on December 19th and in Lent on March 15.

Eucharistic Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in Our Lady of the Pilar Chapel is available 24 hours daily for silent, personal prayer, except when Mass is being celebrated in the chapel or the church. Small groups often pray together with specific petitions.

This year, 42 infants, 13 children, and 1 adult were baptized. Ninety-six children came to the Eucharistic table for the first time, and 105 young people sealed their baptism at Confirmation. The RCIA process

welcomed four adults into the church. Twelve couples chose to enter into Marriage at SJCC, and two couples renewed their vows. The parish accompanied 68 families as they celebrated funeral rites for their departed loved ones, 26 of whom were parishioners.

In November, a Mass of Remembrance was held to recall deceased parishioners and family members who died during the year.

An Evening of Prayer and an Ice Cream social marked the end of the Marianist Bicentennial on December 7th.

The Third Annual Festival of Lessons and Carols occurred on December 17th. The Adult Choir, Children's' Choir, Schola Cantorum, Middle School Choir, Soloists, Hand Bell Choir, small group ensembles and the organists and pianists performed.



Music & Meditation was offered during Lent as a 30-minute session of meditative music, scripture reading, and short reflection in the church.

New Hymnal books were ordered in June.



WELCOME

Welcome: To practice radical hospitality and welcome as Jesus did, seeking out the disenfranchised and vulnerable and creating a sense of fellowship and belonging that is grounded in love for each other and humble gratitude to God. When this happens, it produces the good fruit of Belonging.

New parishioners and their families are invited to attend 10 AM Mass and a reception following Mass on the second Sunday of every month. Our clergy, a Parish Pastoral Council representative, and members of the Evangelization Committee share their vision of our faith community and present opportunities to serve our community.

The Greeter Ministry welcomes parishioners at all Masses. The Welcome Committee assists new parishioners in completing parish registration. The Information and Registration Center is in the Narthex of the Church. The Homebound and Nursing Home Ministry serves our brothers and sisters who are unable to come to Mass. We minister to 8 nursing/assisted living facilities in the Sykesville area. The Blood Pressure Ministry conducts free screenings after the 8 AM Mass.

SJCC hosts “Name Tag Sunday” twice in the year. Parishioners are encouraged to wear a name tag so that we can welcome each other by name.

Stephen Ministry provides one-to-one care to people experiencing a difficult time in life, such as grief, divorce, job loss, chronic or terminal illness, relocation, or separation due to military deployment.

SJCC’s Cancer Support Group holds informal meetings twice a month for people whose lives have been touched by this disease. The SJCC Cancer Support Group’s goals are to help people to receive emotional and educational support throughout the experience with cancer.

Our Ministry to the Sick and Bereaved sponsors two support groups. One group is for adults grieving the loss of a spouse, parent, sibling or friend. The second group is for parents who have lost a child. Members of the Bereavement Hospitality Committee are available to provide a meal for the family of a deceased at the time of the funeral, upon request through the parish office.

In October, a Ministry Fair reminded parishioners that everywhere they go, they are Christ’s reflection. Many ministries welcomed new members.

ENCOUNTER



Encounter: To continually experience our own conversion and bring others to experience the same through evangelization, revealing the truth of the Gospel and witnessing to others how we ourselves have encountered Christ. When this happens, it produces the good fruit of Conversion.

Life of Leisure, a program held in the Fall, encouraged parishioners to come together and explore what it means to have the life they want, a life of meaningful work and the true ability to be at rest.

The Advent Contemplative Retreat was held on Saturday, December 9, 2017. Parishioners were invited to step away from the usual seasonal hub-bub and prepare themselves for the Coming of the Christ Child. The retreat offered short meditations and time for quietness and contemplation.

Discovering Christ, a seven-week experience that provides the opportunity to deepen our personal relationship with Jesus Christ, was offered in January 2018. Following Christ, a seven-week journey exploring and encouraging Catholic discipleship, was available to those who had finished the Discovering Christ series. Sharing Christ, part three of the program, is offered in the Fall.

The parish encourages many small groups and connect groups. Carroll County Young Adults (COCOYA) is for 20 somethings who meet at the parish on Thursday evenings for fellowship and formation. Pizza and Play gathers couples and young children who meet at parishioners’ homes one Friday a month. Coffee and Conversation is a monthly event offering light refreshments and casual bible study. Wine, Cheese and Wild Goose is a monthly program on Thursday evenings. It gathers couples in their 20’s, 30’s and 40’s, and progresses through formed.org’s “The Wild Goose” program. Whiskey, Wine, and Wisdom took place in December and encouraged parishioners to prepare for Christmas with a little bit of grain, grapes, and Catholic wisdom.



ACCOMPANIMENT

Accompaniment: To grow as disciples of Christ and nurture growth in others as we study, share, and live out the teachings of Christ and his Church through education, faith formation, and discipleship endeavors. When this happens, it produces the good fruit of Spiritual Growth.

In March of 2018, our annual Lenten Retreat was held. Father Joseph Lacey, S.J. presented an Introduction to Ignatian Exercise. He presented four evening sessions.

A Co-op Nursery for children, who are walking and potty trained through age 4, occurs during the 10 AM Sunday Mass. The Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW) is offered weekly at the 8 and 10 AM Masses. The children leave the assembly before the first reading, read Scripture at their level of understanding, and return to the assembly bearing the Offertory gifts.

Catechesis (religious formation) begins at preparation for Baptism - for adults, children, and infants. Our program for infants is family-oriented, assisting parents in becoming committed to fostering their own and their children's relationship with God, the Church, and this community of believers. A similar family-oriented approach is offered before the sacraments of Reconciliation and First Communion. Two years of faith formation, with the child and their parents, occurs before the sacraments are received. Confirmation preparation is also a two-year process, involving parents and sponsors, as the youth participate in service, retreats and Disciple Group lessons. The Primary Catechist Organization (PCO) helps parents as the first teachers in the faith of their children provide support of the catechists and encourages socialization with other parents.

This year 475 children participated in Religious



Education programs from preschool through eighth grade:

- 34 students were in preschool and kindergarten
- 242 were enrolled in elementary school (grades 1-5)
- 108 students participated in middle school (grades 6-8)
- 91 students took part in home study

Confirmation candidates honored the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King by participating in an MLK Day of Service. Summer madness is a week of service and fun when middle and high school students with adult volunteers join together to provide 1200 hours of community service in Carroll and Howard County and Baltimore City.

Our Men's group visited the Museum of the Bible in Washington DC in February. The group holds two meetings on the 1st and 3rd Saturday mornings and Tuesday evenings throughout the year.

In June, 24 high school youth and seven adults went on our Annual Mission trip. Joining other volunteers at an Indian Reservation in New Mexico, they helped residents make home repairs, including painting, installing ramps, fixing decks and general cleanup. An evening group worship program was held. 125 students participated in Vacation Bible School, which also occurred in June.

Women in God's Spirit (WINGS) group offers women of our parish a foundation study group and occasional guest speakers. This past year, they participated in a 24-part Bible study program, Bible Timeline - the Story of Salvation.





SENDING

Sending: To bring Christ to the world, practicing discipleship and encouraging each other through friendship and service as we support the work of the Church, provide for the material and pastoral care of the poor and suffering and advocate for the discernment of vocations in life, especially priestly vocations for those who feel called in this way. When this happens, it produces the good fruit of Disciple Making.

Our Service, Justice and Life Ministry offers many opportunities to help the less fortunate throughout the year. Our Poor Box contributions help support this ministry. Our St. Vincent de Paul outreach provides emergency financial assistance and provides vouchers for food, household, and hygiene needs. In witness to the sanctity of life, we participate in events such as the Annual National Life Chain, 40 days for Life, and the March for Life in Washington D.C.

We minister to those in prison and those who are homebound and who need transportation, yard or household work, or companionship. Our parishioners prepare and serve nourishing hot meals at two soup kitchens in both Carroll County and Baltimore City. Over 100 people regularly prepare casseroles for Our Daily Bread. We also run a food pantry on site at SJCC for Carroll County Food Sunday.

Sykesville Evangelization Team participated in the Town of Sykesville Farmers' Markets and Special Events, giving tours of the Sykesville Church, sharing religious pamphlets, rosaries, and medals. Our Rosary Ministry makes rosaries that are sent to our military groups. Requests are highest during the summer months after recruits join.

Our two Annual Sharing Fund Campaigns support programs both locally and abroad. Over the year, the sharing fund benefited the following:

- Marianist Mission - Partnering with the Poor in Africa & India
- Hope for Morrope
- Loyola Early Learning Center
- Araminta Freedom Initiative
- My Sister's Place Women's Center
- Shepherd's Staff
- Esperanza Center (Services for Victims of Human Trafficking and Health Services Clinic)



We partner with Mother Seton Academy in Baltimore, which offers a holistic middle school education to disadvantaged children. Parishioners raised \$6,623.76 for Mother Seton Academy.





MISSION SUPPORT

Mission Support: To enact wise stewardship of the gifts God has granted us, the legacy entrusted to us by those who have preceded us in the faith, and the hope that lies in future generations of the faithful, so that our resources may be channeled to support the mission of disciple-making first and foremost. When this happens, it produces the good fruit of Mission Support.

We are a parish of 2224 registered families.

Our Community is served by:

- 6 Pastoral Associates (5.5 FTE)
- 2 Coordinators of Ministry (1.25FTE)
- 5 Maintenance Personnel (3.2 FTE)
- 5 Administrative Assistants (2.7 FTE)
- 3 Business Office Staff (2.3 FTE)
- 2 Priests (1.75 FTE)



There are three deacons and 774 volunteer lay ministers serving the parish in various ways.

We thanked Fr. David McGuigan, S.M., Mike Reaume S.M, Maria Klicpera, Ann Schwartz, Denise Roberts, and Ryan Lohrmann for their service and dedication to our parish. We welcomed Fr. Chris Janson, S.M., Karen Spivey, Bruce Baumgarten, R. Scott Link, Erika Wiegand, Sandy Ruane, Sue Housel, Eric Borcharding, Tom Schwartz Jr. and Edwin Beane.

SJCC ordered two new HVAC units in August to replace the existing unit. The cost is \$66,170.00. Special collections occurred August 19th and 20th to help offset the cost. Volunteers participated in the annual fall Sykesville Church Clean-up day, sponsored by the Facilities Commission. Clergy appreciation day was held in September and was sponsored by the Vocations committee. The Fundraising Subcommittee of the Finance Commission planned the Breakfast with St. Nick to offer fellowship and to raise revenue for the 150th Jubilee Celebration. Volunteer Appreciation Day was held on June 3, 2018, hosted by the Pastoral Staff and Parish Office Support Staff. SJCC's radio station, WSJF 92.7 was launched on June 15th. It is a local listener-supported 24/7 radio station serving the greater Sykesville-Eldersburg community.

Groups that Support the parish include: Knights of Columbus Fulton J. Sheen Council 7612, with associated women's group Sheen's Colleens, Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court St. Joseph and their Junior CDA Court for girls age 11 - 17, Boy Scout Troop 883 and Cub Scout Pack 883.

A Time to Reflect on Stewardship of Our Physical and Economic Resources

Offertory Contributions - On average, each week 390 parishioners use the offertory envelopes distributed by the parish; another 288 people are signed up for electronic funds transfer through Faith Direct.

Accounting

The parish financial statements are prepared on a modified accrual basis of accounting in accordance with the standards approved by the Archdiocese of Baltimore. Generally, income is recognized when it is received except for certain program income which is deferred until the time that benefits are provided. Expenses are recognized when incurred. Capital expenditures are recognized as an expense in the year incurred.

Operating Income and Expense

Saint Joseph experienced an increase in total operating income of \$155 thousand over the previous year. This was mostly a result of the offertory collections increasing by \$122 thousand. Overall operating expenses were higher by \$146 thousand. The increase in expenses from the previous year is made up largely of an increase of \$65 thousand in labor costs which was the result of filling vacant positions in staffing. Another large part was Ministry Program expenses of \$25 thousand and Administrative expenses of \$19 thousand.

Capital Expenditures

Building Fund - The building fund account increased by a net of \$12 thousand. The Embracing Our Mission Capital Campaign added \$38 thousand of which \$29 thousand was used to help fund the Eldersburg Church air conditioning system.

Restricted and Other Funds - These funds increased by specific gifts received of \$34 thousand. These funds subsidized capital expenses of \$5 thousand for the hymnals and \$11 thousand for radio station equipment.

Operating Fund - Capital expenses funded through operations was \$118 thousand and consisted of the following: replacing the Eldersburg Church air-conditioning, repairs to concrete sidewalks, parking lot repairs, radio station equipment, hymnals, doors, and traffic signs.

Endowment Funds

The parish's endowments have restrictions to their use of principal. The parish may use the investment income and market growth for operations, but the principal may be used only in an emergency situation. The endowments' market value was \$3.88 million as of June 30, 2018. At this time the life-to-date unrealized gains on the endowments are \$294 thousand. In October 2017, \$250 thousand was transferred from the Endowment to the Building Fund in anticipation of potential market decline. It was subsequently decided to use this money as a matching incentive for a fiscal year 2019 Jubilee Capital Campaign.

Note Payable

The parish borrowed funds from the Archdiocese Inter-Parish Loan Fund to complete the conversion of the gym space into the Formation & Fellowship Center. As of June 30, 2018, \$468 thousand is due on the note. The interest paid in this fiscal year was \$20 thousand. The interest rate on the note is 4.25% and is payable in monthly installments over a ten year period ending June 2025.

Statement of Income, Expenses, & Changes in Net Assets

	2018	2017	Change
Operating Income:			
Offertory Collections	\$1,634,485	\$1,512,687	\$121,798
Other Operating Income	48,942	72,453	(23,511)
Diocesan, Charity & Poor Box	204,581	188,405	16,176
Pamphlets, Books, Rental & Misc.	26,712	21,224	5,488
Investment Income	69,505	60,580	8,925
Ministry Program Income	154,819	128,599	26,220
Total Operating Income	2,139,045	1,983,948	155,097
Operating Expenses:			
Facilities Expenses	209,997	195,895	14,102
Administrative Expenses	163,533	144,356	19,177
Worship Expenses	65,449	51,701	13,748
Diocesan, Charity & Poor Box	212,251	196,231	16,020
Pamphlets, Books, Rental & Misc.	32,137	31,992	145
Labor Cost	706,941	642,114	64,827
Employee Benefit Cost	219,676	232,197	(12,521)
Ministry Program Expenses	136,161	111,265	24,896
Archdiocesan Taxes	288,935	281,317	7,618
School Support & Appeal Disb.	39,296	40,854	(1,558)
Total Operating Expense	2,074,374	1,927,922	146,452
Operating Income	64,671	56,026	8,645
Non Operating Income:			
Fundraising - Embracing Our Mission & AAA Rebates	85,529	90,741	(5,212)
Investment Income - Non Operating	254,140	414,853	(160,713)
Endowment & Restrictive Donations	33,769	60,488	(26,719)
Total Non Operating Income	373,438	566,082	(192,644)
Interest on Debt	19,945	22,167	(2,222)
Capital Expenditures	146,200	43,849	102,351
Net Non Operating Income	207,293	500,066	(292,773)
Increase (Decrease) in Net Assests	\$271,964	\$556,092	\$(284,128)



On April 15th, we began a Year of Jubilee to mark 150 years of Catholic faith in Sykesville/ Eldersburg. The focus of the year is “Our Journey in Christ: Remember, Celebrate, Dream.” This title affirms that faith draws us into the mystery of God. Following Jesus, individually and collectively, is a journey—a pilgrimage of discipleship. There are great things to remember about the journey so far; there are things to celebrate in the now, and there are dreams to be shared and concretized.

Archbishop William Lori presided at the 10 am Mass and an Open House Celebration took place in the Formation and Fellowship Center. In May, SJCC held its first craft fair, which hosted several vendors and was well received. On June 17 we celebrated fathers at the Historic Saint Joseph Catholic Church in Downtown Sykesville. Parishioners were encouraged to take a “tour” through the lives of Joseph the Dreamer and St. Joseph the Father, Protector, and Carpenter, as well as receive a personal family blessing.



Upcoming events

- January 25 - Ecumenical Service of Prayer and Music
- February 9 - Valentine’s Day Flowers for Nursing Homes
- February 20 - WINGS Speaker
- March 20-22 - Lenten Mission featuring The Vigil Project
- April 28 – Easter Eggstravaganza
- May 4 - Jubilee Gala at Turf Valley Resort





St. Joseph Catholic Community

Eldersburg & Sykesville, Maryland

Eucharistic Celebrations

Sunday Observance

Saturday evening: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12:00 noon, 5:00 p.m.

Daily - in Our Lady of the Pilar Chapel

Monday - Saturday 8:30 a.m.

Holy Days of Obligation

Mass of the Day - 8:30 a.m. 4:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Reconciliation

Saturday 4:00 p.m. - 4:45 p.m.

Sunday: 4:20 p.m. - 4:50 p.m.

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