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Dear Parishioners,

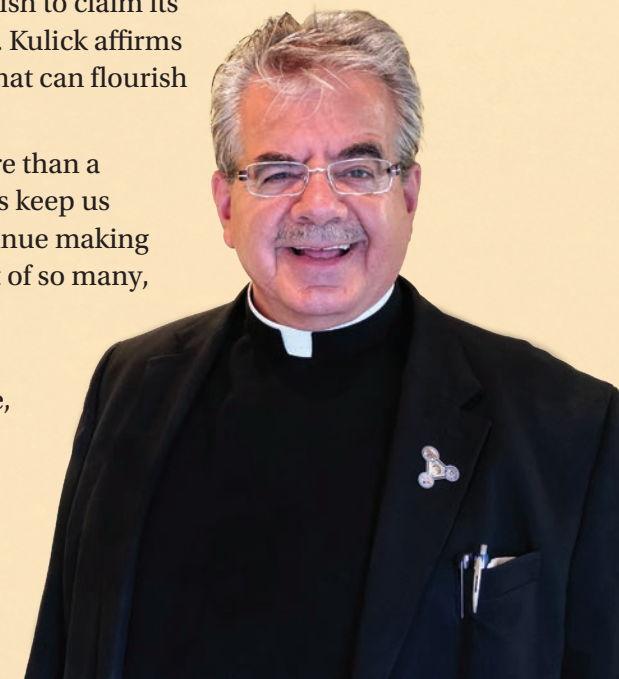
When I stepped into my new assignment at this parish just four months ago, the dedication and love of the parishioners for this place were truly evident through the way each of you so graciously gives of your time, shares your talents, and contributes your hard-earned money.

Because of your fidelity to and support of Our Lady of Grace Parish, you deserve to receive a yearly update on the state of the parish, this year titled *ThanksGIVING for Our Parish*. I am truly thankful for our parish, so it is with joy that, for the first time as your Pastor, I am sharing with you our annual report.

This annual report, like those of years past, shows your generosity and witnesses to your unwavering charity. Our new Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV, has called each parish to claim its place in the Body of Christ, recognizing its universal mission. Bishop Larry J. Kulick affirms this call and challenges us to build a strong and vibrant parish community that can flourish into the future

Through your faithfulness and generosity, we have built a church that is more than a building, and more than a parish; it is a place people call home. Your prayers keep us rooted in faith; your gifts keep us rooted in existence; and both help us continue making this a home for ourselves and others. I, as Pastor, am grateful for the support of so many, past and present.

Our parish is a blessing not only to each other, but to our good Lord. As we approach the Thanksgiving holiday and draw another Church year to a close, may we never be remiss in giving thanks for our parish, our home, our place where we grow in the love and knowledge of Jesus Christ so that we might always be living witnesses of Him in the world.



In God's Gentle Hands,
Father Kenneth G. Zaccagnini, Pastor

A graphic for the 'thanks GIVING for Our Parish' campaign. The word 'thanks' is in a white cursive font, and 'GIVING' is in large, bold, white block letters. Below it, 'for Our Parish' is in a smaller white font. To the left of the text is a QR code. The background is a blue sky with white clouds and a forest of trees with vibrant autumn foliage in shades of orange, red, and yellow. The scene is reflected in a calm body of water in the foreground.

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**Our Lady of Grace Parish
Annual Report 2025**



Our New Shepherd

As I drove out of the parking lot of Our Lady of Grace Parish in 1983 to my new assignment, after spending my first year of priesthood as a Parochial Vicar here, I never dreamed that I would one day receive the gift of returning as pastor.

After 42 years, a lot has changed, most notably the physical worship space where we celebrate Mass; it is an entirely new building from my last assignment here. However, what I was most amazed by when I returned to this parish was the people who are still here.

Back in 1982, the now “well-seasoned” leaders were the “young newbies” trying to find their place in the life of the parish. At the time, those leading ministries in the parish may have felt as though they were being pushed out by these young people, while at the same time realizing that it was time for someone new, with more energy, to take the reins.

The young leaders I left behind all those years ago, full of energy and naivety like me, are the ones I return to: much wiser, a little slower, and yes, hair of a different color. These once “young newbies” have become the “well-seasoned” leaders of the parish who know that, while it is difficult to let go, the baton is slowly being passed on to the next generation of leaders, and the circle continues.

Our Parish by the Numbers:



Registered Households
 2025: 1,740
 2024: 1,691
 2023: 1,696

Baptisms
 2025: 40
 2024: 22
 2023: 34

First Holy Communions
37

Confirmations
37

Weddings
 2025: 12
 2024: 5
 2023: 6

Funerals
 2025: 55
 2024: 48
 2023: 51

A Call to Serve

God is calling each of us to serve, and so we must all pause and ask ourselves: Am I doing my part? Many of our ministries, especially our Liturgical Ministries, need people to serve. As our parish family continues to grow, we will need more people to step forward and answer that call to serve.

I ask you to pray about what gifts God has given you: Are you good at organizing people? Are you friendly and able to talk to anyone you meet? Do you have a lot of free time at home? Are you newly retired and not sure what to do with your extra time?

Once you have identified your gifts, call the parish office, and we will help you find a ministry where you can share your gifts confidently and joyfully. You may not find the perfect fit on the first try, but there is a ministry for you! We will guide you every step of the way, including the clearance process, which is free to you and extremely easy when done with our assistance.

Ministries in Action

For our vibrant parish life to continue and our wonderful ministries to sustain themselves for another 40 years, we must continue to invest our time in the generations of Catholics behind us.

We have already seen the fruits of our investment in the next generation of leaders. We are blessed to have two staff members raised in this parish, both of different generations. Our young servers are now being trained by a young adult server who was raised and formed here, serving at the altar from second grade. Many who participated in formation and youth ministry are now young parents, choosing to be married here, as well as baptize and raise their children here.

These are all moments of thanksgiving for our parish!



Parish Financials

	2024-25	2023-24	2022-23
Offertory	\$ 1,023,504	\$ 994,892	\$ 984,631
Other Ordinary Income <i>(monthly collections, votive candles)</i>	15,414	14,629	12,563
Extraordinary Income <i>(bequests, donations, fundraising, interest, rental income)</i>	87,051	179,447	64,423
Diocesan Lenten Appeal Refund	16,074	39,761	42,995
Other Non-Assessable Income <i>(The Catholic Accent, sale of property, insurance reimbursements and PPP Loan)</i>	239,711	174,214	41,346
Special Collections	80,173	86,228	83,056
Total Income	\$ 1,461,927	\$ 1,489,171	\$ 1,229,014
Expenses			
Administration	\$ 214,244	\$ 193,492	\$ 173,765
Church	112,855	89,712	91,830
Rector's Office	16,185	38,262	42,170
Education and Ministry	251,844	234,433	244,275
General Expenses	378,598	324,566	329,021
Special Collections	79,695	82,251	83,056
Extraordinary Expenses	504,669	398,972	289,196
Total Expenditures	1,558,090	1,361,688	1,253,196
Net Operating Income (Loss)	\$ (96,163)	\$ 127,483	\$ (24,299)

2025 Note: Generator Project Grant income \$100,880 received in 2024, \$115,000 expense paid in 2025
 2024 Note: Includes savings for HVAC Project & Expenses for Capital Projects



Giving With Gratitude

If you would like to begin using online giving, you can scan our QR code to enroll and make your first gift. You can also scan this QR code to increase your weekly offertory, make a year-end gift, or donate in honor of or in memory of a loved one.



Online giving is always available through our website: OurLadyofGraceChurch.org. Traditional checks or cash donations are always accepted. You can mail your gift to Our Lady of Grace Parish, 1011 Mount Pleasant Road, Greensburg, PA 15601.

