

Saint Patrick Parish
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East Brady, PA 16028

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Dear Parishioners,

I am happy to present you with this year's Parish Annual Report titled *thanksGIVING* for Our Blessings. I am so thankful for the blessings that the Lord has bestowed upon our faith community.

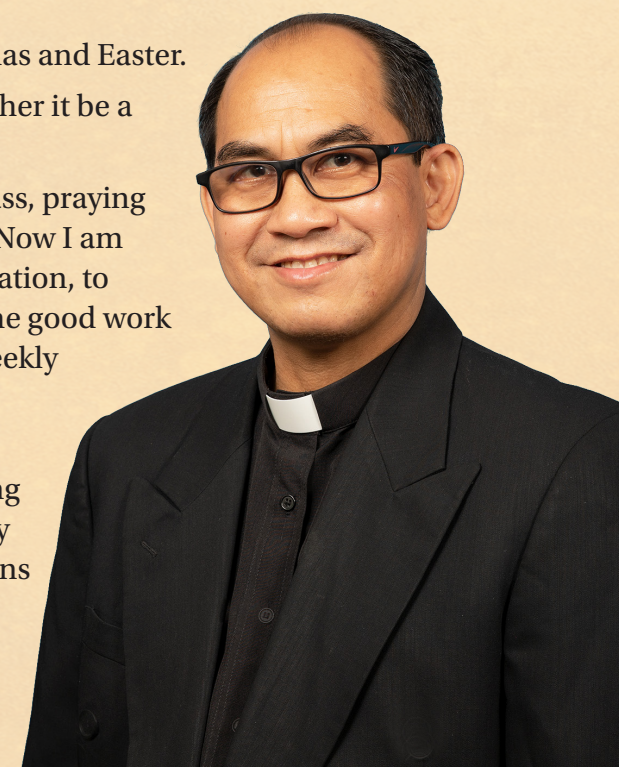
Our parish has many things to be thankful for. A couple of our blessings include:

- Our Faith Formation program, in which our younger parishioners can learn more about their faith by teachers who love the Lord and want to share that with our children.
- The generosity of our St. Paddy's Ladies Group, not only to our parishioners, but to our community. They take meals to the homebound and provide donations and gas cards to those who are ill or suffering after a tragedy such as a fire or flood.
- Our choir, which provides lovely music, especially during Christmas and Easter.

Please read through our ministry list and consider volunteering, whether it be a little or a lot. We can always use more help!

You, yourself, are a blessing to our parish. Thank you for attending Mass, praying with us and supporting the parish through your generous donations. Now I am asking you, with prayerful consideration to your current financial situation, to make a year-end gift to our parish to show your gratitude to God for the good work being done here. Or, if you are able, perhaps you will increase your weekly or monthly offertory as a show of thanks for the blessings God has bestowed upon you.

For your convenience, we've included a GIVING QR Code. By scanning it, you can easily enroll in online giving, increase your weekly offertory or make a year-end gift. Of course, traditional check and cash donations are always deeply appreciated as well.



Yours in Christ,
Father Arnel



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Become an Intentional Disciple

Enter into a deeper relationship with your fellow parishioners by attending one of these upcoming events:

- **October 24 - Prayer and Perfect Pairings, Christ Our Shepherd Center, Greensburg.** A five-course meal and wine pairings with recipes from Bishop Larry J. Kulick, Father Christopher J. Pujol, Father Andrew J. Hamilton, Father John Torres and Father Daniel E. Carr; proceeds benefit Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Greensburg (tickets: DioceseofGreensburg.org/PrayerandPerfectPairings).
- **November 2 and December 7 - Adoration and Exposition, after the 8:30 AM Mass on the First Saturday of each month**
- **December 14 - Christmas Night Market, 2-9 PM, Christ Our Shepherd Center, Greensburg.** Food and craft vendors, cards, gift and décor booths, 4 PM Mass with Bishop Larry J. Kulick and the Diocesan Youth Choir, artist Pipka Ulvilden with her Blessed Mother and Nativity creations, Christmas cookies, and wine tastings (details: ChristmasNightMarket.org).



Our Parish by the Numbers:



2024: 161
2023: 179
2022: 179

Registered Households

Current Single Member Households



73



Baptisms
2024: 3
2023: 3
2022: 3

Weddings

2024: 1
2023: 0
2022: 1



Funerals
2024: 6
2023: 5
2022: 9

Households that Give

119

Households that Don't Give

42



Giving With Gratitude



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BY MAIL:
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IN PERSON:
Monday - 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Tuesday and Thursday - 9:00 AM - 11:30 AM



ONLINE:
stpatrickbradysbend.org

Parish Financials

	2023-24	2022-23	2021-22
Offertory	\$ 173,615	\$ 161,085	\$ 164,762
Other Ordinary Income <i>(monthly collections, votive candles)</i>	1,567	1,167	2,708
Extraordinary Income <i>(bequests, donations, fundraising, interest, rental income)</i>	19,090	33,231	15,234
Diocesan Lenten Appeal Refund	448	-	1,990
Other Non-Assessable Income <i>(The Catholic Accent, sale of property, insurance reimbursements and PPP Loan)</i>	10,744	19,437	29,069
Special Collections	14,465	7,690	12,506
Total Income	\$ 219,929	\$ 222,610	\$ 226,269
Expenses			
Administration	\$ 64,578	\$ 67,620	\$ 82,220
Church	19,235	17,871	20,527
Rectory	10,924	6,037	7,438
Education and Ministry	8,282	14,453	16,400
General Expenses	89,478	105,994	105,683
Special Collections	14,455	7,733	12,564
Extraordinary Expenses	5,506	8,387	22,826
Total Expenditures	212,458	228,095	267,658
Net Operating Income (Loss)	\$ 7,471	\$ (5,485)	\$ (41,389)

Had \$45,984 in unpaid bills not reflected in the expenses above at June 30, 2024..

Our Ministries:



- **Altar Servers** - Assist the priest in preparing for Mass. The servers take part in the liturgy by performing tasks to help the priest celebrate Eucharist.
- **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion** - Assist the priest by distributing the Eucharist at Mass.
- **Lectors** - Proclaim the Word of God during Mass or other liturgical functions. Lectors devote time to preparation and understanding of sacred Scripture.
- **Music Ministry/Choir** - Provide musical support of full and active participation at the 9:30 a.m. Mass.
- **Ushers** - Take up the offertory and distribute bulletins after Mass, and assist with emergencies or other concerns.
- **Liturgical Ministers** - Volunteer to instruct our youth about the Catholic Faith.
- **Bible Study**
- **Knights of Columbus/Holy Name Society** - Provide charitable service to the poor and hungry, while promoting Catholic education and family values.
- **Lenten Fish Dinners** - Each Lent, on Fridays, except Good Friday, many parishioners prepare fish and other items for sale to the public.
- **Mercy Meal Team** - Provide meals after funerals, working with the family to feed those who come to pray for and pay respects.
- **Prayer Chain** - This group of parishioners helps to build up the community with prayer.
- **RCIA** - The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is available to those who are discerning their call to join the Catholic Church.
- **Saint Paddy's Ladies Group** - Women of all ages who attend to the needs of the parish by maintaining the candles in the church, providing meals to shut-ins and sending cards.

We really do need volunteers to support our parish, specifically faith formation teachers. Please call the parish office today at 724-526-5079 so we can walk you through the process of becoming a volunteer.