

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

God has blessed each of us in so many ways, and one of the incredible ways is our parish, Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish. For 155 years, it has been a center of O'Fallon where we come to worship and pray, from our baptisms to our funerals and the many times in between. Our children come here to learn and play, our families to socialize, our community to help one another in times of need.

Through the years we have grown in numbers and diversity, no longer a small farming community a good journey west from St. Charles, let alone St. Louis. Growing through the years, from a few dozen families to thousands that are here now. The school growing through the years, including a high school (that would become St. Dominic High School) and adding a pre-school. Parish ministries to support our liturgical, social, and service efforts. Including our parish's St. Vincent de Paul Society and our local Knights of Columbus council. Growing through it all as a Catholic parish where we can be united to each other, united to God, that is why we are here.

With that in mind, **I invite you to respond to our parish's new stewardship program, *One Body in Christ*.** A reminder that all that we have comes from God and we are entrusted to use it to follow Christ's call, to support one another, to continue our history of being a parish where people can find Christ here, and then bring Christ to the world. I am grateful for the many ways people participate in these actions of the parish, demonstrating their good stewardship of what God has entrusted them.

One way in which we depend upon this participation is through the Sunday Offertory as the primary financial means to support all the work of Assumption Parish. We just recently paid off a parish loan but still must maintain our current facilities and support all that our parish does. **Our offertory is not for one specific ministry or function, but rather supports all our work and ministries,** recognizing that they are all important and connected parts of our parish. It is the way each of our families supports the continuing work of Jesus Christ through our parish, for our parish, and as a place we can invite our broader community to find Christ. The contribution of all is a means by which we live out the unity of being One Body in Christ. Our goal is to increase our Sunday offertory contributions so we may continue to do so.

On October 24th and 25th, the parish will be holding a special Commitment Weekend, inviting members of our community to come together and make a financial commitment that will allow Assumption Parish to continue its important work. We are counting on all of you. By participating in *One Body in Christ*, we recognize the gifts God has entrusted to us, and by how we use them we are united to Christ, and to our parish now, in the past, and into the future.

Thank you for your generosity, prayers, commitment, and being an active part of Assumption Parish.

Peace,

Fr. Nick

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Discerning Your New Commitment

Fill out the enclosed Commitment Card
and bring it to Mass next weekend
or
scan this QR code to complete your
Commitment Card online.



Fulfilling Your New Commitment



To sign up for **Online Giving** or to
update your current online gift, visit
www.assumptionbvm.org
and click on the Donate button.



Use your **offertory envelope**
and bring it to Mass
or mail it to the parish office.



To learn more about making a
Planned Gift to Assumption,
contact the parish office at
(636) 240-3721.



One Body in Christ

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Receiving the sacraments



God calls all of us to share in the sacraments. When we celebrate them together as a parish, we are united to God and one another to be One Body in Christ.

3,313

Families in our parish

71

Baptisms

84

First Holy Communions

103

Confirmations

59

Funerals

500

Children in our parish school

153

Children in religious education

21

OCIA candidates and catechumens

Participating in ministries



Everything we have is a gift from God. Part of good Stewardship of these gifts is how we use these gifts to participate in ministering to one another in the liturgies of our parish.

916

Masses celebrated in our church each year

676

Hours of Eucharistic Exposition

63

Eucharistic Ministers each Sunday

65

Lectors proclaiming the Word

40

Music ministers

1,983

Average Mass attendance each Sunday

Serving those in need



As God's body we work as His hands in the world. Our stewardship of God's gifts is not just for ourselves, but as a witness of God's love and care for all those around us.

\$64,777

Contributed to special collections

\$90,313

Contributions through the parish to St. Vincent de Paul

\$206,541

Contributions to the Annual Catholic Appeal

112

Families assisted at Thanksgiving

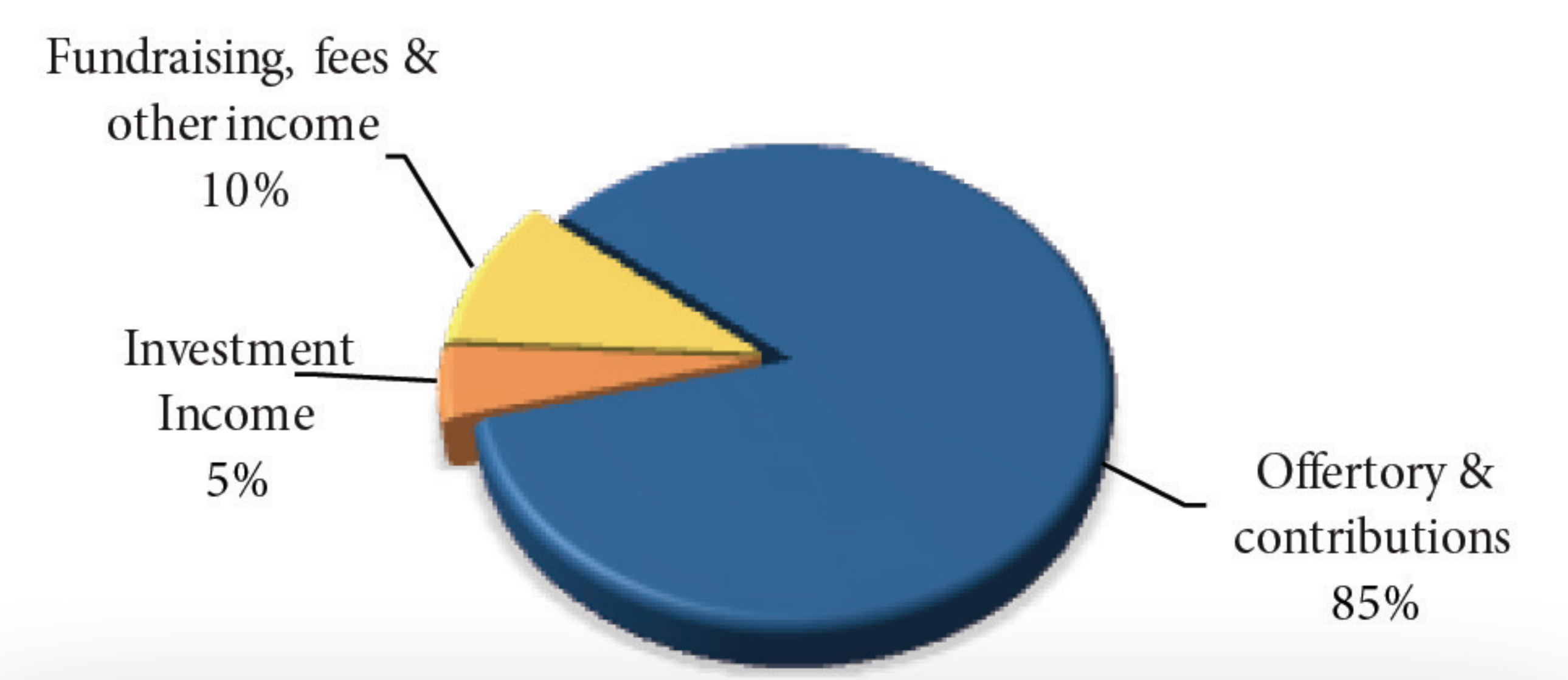
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Families assisted at Christmas

Financial Snapshot: 2025/2026 Fiscal Year

Operating Income

Offertory & contributions	\$2,165,955
Investment Income	\$122,687
Fundraising, fees & other income	\$261,109
Total	\$2,549,751



Operating Expenses

Clergy & administrative payroll	\$671,985
Facilities, maintenance & other expenses	\$838,222
Support of our grade school	\$717,387
Support of PSR, youth program & other ministries	\$303,857
Debt payments	\$235,164
Total	\$2,766,615
Net Operating Deficit	-\$216,864

