Holy Cross - 1st Quarter Financial Highlights - September 1, 2021 - November 30, 2021

Revenues:

- Collections this quarter were up 12.4% as we took in \$144,644 in comparison to last year this quarter which was \$128,711. Our RAMR was up 26.9% taking in \$8,849 in contrast to last year this quarter at \$6,975. Overall collections for this year were up 12.1%.
- The "Fall Cash Fling" was our fall fundraiser. We profited \$1,505 for the 3 months it ran. We are appreciative to those who participated and for the extra income it brought in. Congratulations to the lucky winners of the Fall Cash Fling!
- Religious Ed. was up 13.1% this quarter over last year. Contributing to that were some Confirmation donations, and donations made from the very successful "Spooky Spectacular Halloween Party" that was held in October for our little ones. In Religious Ed. we currently have 872 students from the 568 families that are registered in our program for the 21-22 school year.
- Outreach was down .9% for this quarter. In dollars we took in \$8,614. In October there was an outpouring of kindness shown during the Respect Life Month "Diaper and Formula Drive." Those items were sent to the Life Center in Deer Park. In addition, we were able to distribute 36 baskets for Thanksgiving and had more folks offer to donate baskets than were needed. This once again reflects the overwhelming generosity of our parish community and your willingness to help our neighbors who are currently experiencing difficulties in various ways.
- Our "Seniors' Club" is back in full swing and regularly meeting twice per month in the atrium. Additionally, our "Stitchers" meet weekly on Tuesdays, and our Scripture Study group is here twice per month as well. It is great to see groups actively attending the programs that our parish offers throughout the week.
- Income generated through Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals, and Mass Intentions were all up again this quarter over last year at 22.9%. We have continued to have many new babies welcomed into our Catholic Faith and quite a few couples saying "I do."
- Our rental income, which is generated from the Verizon tower, once again brought in \$8,694 this quarter. Other substantial income included Votives, a donation from our Eagle Scout John Gemmell in the amount of \$369 which was a surplus from the expenses of his project, and other donations. All included we deposited \$29,916 from these items, an increase of 20.9% over last year this time.
- Diocesan Collections were down 15.2% for the quarter. Your generosity towards these worthy causes, no matter how big or small, is always greatly appreciated!
- Compared to the same time last year, overall income was up 14.2% this quarter. We offer our sincerest thanks to you, our generous parishioners, for your ongoing support and dedication to our parish.

Expenses:

- Salaries were down 9.4% this quarter. Contributing factors to this decrease include bookkeeping changes and decreased hours in some areas. Sadly, our staff said goodbye to Vincent Matula who is moving towards job opportunities that will further his career. We are thrilled to still see him at Mass on Sundays and wish him the very best.
- Religious Ed. expenses were down this quarter by 3.7%. Tricia and Mary did a fabulous job of utilizing materials and minimizing waste when purchasing supplies.
- Outreach expenses were up 83.1% this quarter over last year this time. We offered many additional programs this fall and were able to help clients once again with household bills. As always, we are happy to have the means to assist our friends who could use a helping hand at this time.
- Office expenses were 43.8% lower this quarter over last year, and building expenses were down 13.4%. Rectory expenses were down 33.6%. Good job turning off your lights Fr. Michael!
- Major repairs were down 26.1% for the quarter.
- Overall, this guarter in comparison to last year, expenses were down 4.2%.