



Our Lady of Guadalupe Roman Catholic Church

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September 8, 2014

My Dear Parishioners,

This past June marked the fifth anniversary of my appointment as your pastor. *Tempus fugit!* So much has happened in that period of time. We are now in our fourth year in the Church and Chapel. It has been a tradition in the fall season of each year to take the time and reflect on the meaning of being a stewardship parish and tithing community. Through your generosity and sacrificial outpouring of time, talent and treasure our parish community continues to flourish. This is so evident through our worship as well as the many organizations and activities which serve our spiritual, social and community needs.

This year the Evangelization Committee was formed from the Pastoral and Finance Councils to give specific direction to fulfilling our parish strategic plan and promoting initiatives which I am confident will bear much fruit. The committee has made its vision statement, "*A vibrant, welcoming parish family dedicated to growing disciples and making church matter.*" One has only to notice Mass attendance and to see the activity taking place in our spacious narthex, or to read the parish bulletin, website or parish app, to learn of the wonderful progress and growth of our faith in action.

While the weekly collection remains a primary source of parish operating funds, the **Annual Stewardship Appeal** augments these resources to enable us to fully cover fixed costs and to accomplish the goals and objectives as proposed in the parish strategic plan. *Be assured that with the collaboration of the Pastoral Council and the Finance Council, I am able to ensure the greatest care is exercised in the stewardship of all parish funds.*

In consultation with the Parish Finance Council and the Parish Pastoral Council, I am pleased to enclose with this letter a copy of the summary of the **Annual Parish Financial Report** for fiscal year ending June 30, 2014. The Finance Council will be giving a short presentation, clarifying further information in the report, at all the masses on Stewardship Weekend, October 11 and 12, which is also the weekend of our annual Ministry Fair.

While we are doing well in a number of key areas, our day to day expenses continue to rise – no different than what you are experiencing in your homes. We still face the daunting challenge of repayment of our \$12.5 million loan and associated interest to the Archdiocese. I am happy to report a number of positive trends including: continued operating gain, a fifth year of improved weekly collections, an appropriate and responsible operating budget for the present fiscal year, a strategic plan which includes the repayment of our loan as well as the building of the Parish Life Center, which will be completely self-funded. More information about the status and progress of the PLC will be given in the presentation.

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May I ask that you please fill out the enclosed **Census Report** and provide us with the requested information concerning your family household which will help us to update and keep accurate records. This will be most helpful at this time as we continue to see positive signs of growth. *Even if there are no changes, we ask that you make a notation on the form and return it to the parish office.* If you are unable to be present for the weekend of the Parish Ministry Fair, you may mail your census and stewardship offering to the parish office; otherwise, may I ask that you place them in the special second collection on Stewardship Weekend.

I look forward to seeing you on Stewardship Weekend and at our Parish Ministry Fair. I truly appreciate the great sacrifice you make in your dedication and support of Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish. On behalf of Father Robert Ianelli, Father Walter Quinn and Deacon Robert Brady, be assured of a remembrance in our daily prayers of thanksgiving for you and your intentions. May the Blessed Mother, Our Lady of Guadalupe, watch over and protect you and your loved ones.

Sincerely Yours in Our Lord,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rev. Msgr. Joseph P. Gentili".

Reverend Monsignor Joseph P. Gentili
Pastor

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Annual Parish Financial Report for Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2014

Operating Income

Sunday Collections	1,037,822
Other Collections for Parish Use	168,692
Religious Education Programs	124,661
Stole fees	17,075
Socials, donations, net	286
Interest, Dividends and Rentals, Net	5,928
Other Church income	25,381
TOTAL OPERATING INCOME	1,379,845

Operating Expenses

Diocesan Assessments	82,300
Salaries	354,863
Payroll Taxes and Benefits	151,556
Transportation Expenses/Insurance	17,898
Property Insurance/Real Estate Taxes	44,276
Pastoral Administration	136,235
Professional Fees	16,503
Outside Printing/Publications	18,951
Office Supplies/Equipment	34,509
Liturgical/Altar Supplies	19,652
Religious Education Programs	42,213
Rectory Operation	45,078
Maintenance	63,053
Utilities	76,032
Subsidy to Parish Elementary Schools	77,717
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	1,180,836

EXCESS OPERATING INCOME BEFORE LOAN INTEREST 199,009

Loan Interest paid 255,770

EXCESS OPERATING EXPENSES AFTER LOAN INTEREST (56,761)

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CASH BALANCE

As of June 30, 2013	586,031
Add	
Capital Campaign Contributions	2,468,265
Other	9,795
Deduct	
Excess Operating Expenses	56,762
Capital Improvements	475,295
Repayment of Loan	250,000
As of June 30, 2014	2,282,034

PARISH DEBT SUMMARY

As of June 30, 2013	12,882,245
Principal paid	250,000
As of June 30, 2014	12,632,245

FINANCE COUNCIL

2014-15 DIRECTORY

Name	Status	Term of Office Expires
* Clark, Richard	Appointed	June 2015
Conniff, Timothy	Appointed	June 2017
**** Crovo, Paul	Appointed	June 2016
Hawley, Peter	Appointed	June 2017
Junker, Philip	Appointed	June 2017
Lane, Roseanne	Appointed	June 2016
Lee, Rose	Appointed	June 2015
Roehm, Ellen	Appointed	June 2016
Savage, Michele	Appointed	June 2015
Wicklum, Judy	Appointed	June 2016
Rev. Msgr. Joseph Gentili	Clergy	
Rev. Robert Ianelli	Clergy	
Rev. Mr. Robert Brady	Clergy	

- * Chairman**
- ** Vice-Chairman**
- *** Secretary**
- **** Ex Officio member of Parish Pastoral Council**

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2014 Census

(All information provided will be kept confidential)

Family Name: _____ Languages spoken at home other than
Street Address: _____ English? _____
City/State/Zip: _____ E-mail: _____
Apt. # or floor: _____ Phone: (home) _____ (cell) _____

Please complete the following information for all in the household

Head of Household:

Full Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____
Religion: _____ Practice? (circle one) Weekly Occasional None
Occupation: _____ Maiden Name if applicable: _____

Sacraments received in the Catholic Church (please check all that have been received)

Baptism Communion Confirmation Marriage Reception into the Church (RCIA)

Marital Status: Single Married in the Catholic Church Divorced Separated Widowed

Married outside the Church -- if so please identify:

_____ Marriage has been convalidated (blessed in the Catholic Church on (date)

_____ Marriage has not been convalidated (blessed), but are interested

_____ Would like information regarding annulment

_____ I (Head of Household) have a prior marriage bond

_____ Spouse has a prior marriage bond

_____ Not Interested

Date of Marriage: _____ Place of Marriage: _____

City and State of Marriage: _____

Spouse:

Full Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____
Religion: _____ Practice? (circle one) Weekly Occasional None
Occupation: _____ Maiden Name if applicable: _____

Sacraments received in the Catholic Church (please check all that have been received)

Baptism Communion Confirmation Marriage Reception into the Church (RCIA)

Name of Emergency Contact person: _____

Relationship: _____ Telephone Number: _____

**Household: Please list the names and other information for all your children still at home
(if more than four, please use an additional sheet of paper):**

1. Name (First, Middle and Last): _____ Sex: _____
 Date of Birth: _____ School/Occupation: _____
 Sacraments received: Baptism Communion Confirmation Marriage

2. Name (First, Middle and Last): _____ Sex: _____
 Date of Birth: _____ School/Occupation: _____
 Sacraments received: Baptism Communion Confirmation Marriage

3. Name (First, Middle and Last): _____ Sex: _____
 Date of Birth: _____ School/Occupation: _____
 Sacraments received: Baptism Communion Confirmation Marriage

4. Name (First, Middle and Last): _____ Sex: _____
 Date of Birth: _____ School/Occupation: _____
 Sacraments received: Baptism Communion Confirmation Marriage

Others living with you:

Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Please list any talents, skills, or interests you would be willing to share with your Parish Family:

Please check all that apply:

- I am interested in Electronic Giving I am interested in _____ ministry
- I will be calling the Parish Office to schedule a visit by a priest.

COMMENTS:

**ANNUAL CENSUS/STEWARDSHIP APPEAL SUGGESTED OFFERING
A GIFT REPRESENTATIVE OF GOD'S GOODNESS AND GRACE IN OUR LIVES**

- \$100 \$150 \$200 \$250 _____