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Dear Parishioners,

It is hard to believe another year has gone by with its blessings and challenges. On the reverse side of this letter is Resurrection's Annual Financial Report for the year ended 6/30/24. Our income was just \$3K short of our revenue goals, despite \$43.6K of COVID Relief Funds being deferred, which we hope to collect this fiscal year. During the last four months of the year, we collected higher than budgeted levels for our Sunday Offertory, a trend we hope will continue this fiscal year. Our expenses were higher than budgeted due to long-overdue upgrades to our technology platform and higher maintenance costs and services required to maintain our Parish campus, such as utilities and repairs to our aging A/C and heating units. Due to these challenges, our ministries and departments controlled expenses below budgeted levels. This included salaries which were kept at previous years' levels. Operating revenue for the year was \$670,747, almost exactly what we generated last year. Because total expenses were higher than budgeted, we recorded a deficit of \$90,765, which was higher than our budgeted deficit of \$44,084. Much of that variance will be covered should we receive our deferred COVID funds, but we cannot continue generating these types of losses and continue to offer our current programs and benefits. We maintain reasonable cash reserves, but we need to keep that liquidity to protect against future unforeseen expenses. I need your help to keep Resurrection on sound financial footing!

We formed a Safety and Security Commission, a group designed to enhance our preparedness against the ever-increasing threats we hear about throughout our country and the world. We have enhanced our technological infrastructure, allowing us to more effectively communicate during an emergency. We've also made our access points more secure using video cameras and secure entry doors around our campus. You will hear more about our plans for your safety in the coming months.

We have seen Mass attendance gradually increase and have been able to return to normal in many ways. Events with dual purpose continue to be offered that aim to enhance the spiritual lives of our parishioners and build a sense of community. A few examples that are always open to the greater community: the Bereavement Group, Eucharistic Adoration, Family Faith Formation, the Knights of Columbus Trunk or Treat and Fish Frys, Men's Prayer Group, Vacation Bible School, Vaccine Clinics, Video Watch & Discussion evenings the *National Eucharistic Revival*, *The Chosen*, and *Revive the Rival* episodes, St. Phoebe Sisterhood, Young Adult AND Youth Ministries, etc. are a few examples where all are invited! Come see and grow with us.

Please join me in thanking our staff and volunteers for their tireless efforts. Parish enrollment is different than Parish involvement. As we continue to reach out beyond the pews and move our parish from "maintenance to mission" we really do need more volunteers for all our ministries. We welcome your help and participation in making Resurrection the best it can be! Please join us.

You may contact the office or visit our website at www.resurrectioncc.com for more information about our activities, ministries, etc. If you have questions about our financial results, please contact Missy Rubino at mrubino@resurrectioncc.com or 630-289-5400 x205. I am truly grateful for your support.

God Bless,


Rev. Matthew