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Annual Report

For the period July 1, 2011 - June 30, 2012

Since the time period of this annual report is July 2011 thru June 2012, the events toward the beginning of that period seem like ancient history to me. Our parish began a year of celebrating our 50th anniversary as a parish. Bishop Lennon celebrated Mass here to mark the founding of our parish. We had a grand float in the Fourth of July Parade and many other events helped us celebrate 50 years of living our faith at Saint Anselm. As we look forward to Saint Anselm School celebrating 50 years in 2013 we know that reminiscing helps us to appreciate all the good that has happened here.

Seminarian Tim Roth gathered people for the Catholicism series by Fr. Robert Barron. This ten week series helped people to understand their faith a bit better. The success of this presentation means that we will keep making it available to small and large groups.

We participated in The Rooted in Faith Campaign. Through the tremendous generosity of our parishioners we achieved 120% of our goal. Funds collected over the next five years will support several major efforts. In our own parish, money will be set aside for both extraordinary maintenance projects and beginning an endowment fund. Throughout the diocese the formation of priests and lay ministers (seminary), retirement of priests, Catholic education, and evangelization will be supported financially. Having supported all of these needs will benefit the Church for years to come.

It was a busy year but a lot was done for which we can be proud. I invite you to look through the enclosed report, including our financial report, to get a glimpse at some of what happened during the year.

Fr. Thomas M. Sweany

Sacraments and Worship

Christian Initiation of Adults and Children

This year a team of parishioners, led by Father Tom Sweany, Sister Ann Whitely and intern, Tim Roth, assisted as **3 adults** and **1 child** were baptized at the Easter Vigil on April 7, 2012, and **3 children** completed the rites of initiation receiving Confirmation and First Communion.

Baptized were:

Kimberly Brundage Robert Cady Abigail Zerbian Brooke Thompson

The three youth who completed Christian Initiation by Profession of Faith and receiving Eucharist and Confirmation were:

Frank Gagyi Beckham Thompson MaDonna Roark

Baptism of Children

56 children were baptized in our parish last year. They are:

Madison Love Bolt
Jacob Christopher Cardile
Abbigail Rose Ferree
Giovanni Anthony Trivisonno
Domenic Robert Gorzelanczyk
Ryan Benjamin Hess
Lyla Grace Quagliata
Ryan David Shaffer
Lennox Robert David Blosser
Xzavier William Blosser
Wyatt Christopher Dlugoz
Reagan Ashleigh Milan
Suzanna Aleeza Trentanelli
Nicholas Rocco Penny
Hannah Morgan Garrett
Steven William Duca
Sydney Marie Sulhan
Massimo Marcello Syracuse
Bryce Joseph Vidovic

Mason Alexander Rivera
Luke Richard Rivera
Catherine Mae Reynolds
Christopher Julius Bokar
Savannah May Bokar
Alexandre Jacques Lacroix
Elsa Jane Casteel
Giavanna Grace Kocsis
Michaela Ryan Echt
Giglia Isabella Fulton
Madelyn Rose Puklavec
Molly Catherine Grisez
Savannah Marie Bohatch
Hailey Diane Bohatch
Mary Katherine Charmley
Elsa Virginia Ryai
Juliana Maxine Janosy
Elijah Lucas Richardson
Alexander Joseph Cameron

Royce Richard Garling
Julia Ann Finomore
Angelo Carmen Carcioppolo
Vincent Colitto Nastasi
Morley Lynn Partee
Khloe Louise Reynolds
James Patrick Lennon
Evelyn Grace Bauer
Eva Bella Sanniti
Cameron Justin Bitner
Rebecca Cera Wright
Dominic Anthony DiNardo
Luke Anthony Hoehnen
Renée Elizabeth Montgomery
Fiona Lucy DiFiore
Wesley Irvin Esser
Holden Robert Kercher
Mitchell Colton Snyder

Saint Anselm Parish offers a session for first time parents on the Sacrament of Baptism. Theological background on the Sacrament of Baptism is shared via DVD, presentation and discussion. Support and suggestions are offered by a Saint Anselm parent or couple who witness on the ways they pass on the faith to their children. These interactive sessions, offered six times per year, explore the meaning of the sacrament—encounter with the Trinity and being welcomed into the Church. The sessions are followed up by seven letters on faith sharing, rituals and parenting which are sent from Saint Anselm Parish to parents over the next two and a half years. **29 couples** from Saint Anselm and neighboring parishes attended the sessions this past year.

Sacraments and Worship

Confirmation

On April 15, 2012, Bishop Richard Lennon celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation with **90 Confirmandi and their families**. Eighth grade candidates for Confirmation were prepared through attending three preparation sessions and a retreat with their parents or sponsors on the Sacraments of Initiation, the Holy Spirit and moral decision making. The four adults confirmed were prepared at either Saint Anselm or through six classes at Saint John Vianney Church.

Anthony Albino
Rachyl Anderson
Kennon Angermeier
Ashley Armstrong
Julia Backos
Gabriela Beard
Lauren Becker
Leah Berardinelli
Ana Marie Blackburn
Alexandra Blake
Tyler Blazek
Brianna Bozak
Jayson Breier
Ashley Brooks
Michael Cacolici
Rachel Cannata
Nicholas Darrah
Shelby Deacon
Elias Del Val
Lena Di Nardo
Michael Dissauer
Francesca Dolciato
Alexandra Edmonds
Dominique Edmonds
Carmen Engoglia
Francesca Fabe
Joseph Fornaro
Patrick Galaska
Santino Garofalo
Allison Grazia

Bailey Gunner
Jack Haffey
Tucker Harvey
David Horten
Angelina Hrobat
Ryan Ivans
Noah Jacobson
Lauren Jeunnette
Nicole Kastelic
Alexandra Keresztesy
Jenna Kijauskas
Andrew King
Zachary Kirchner
BreAnna Kirk
Erika Kobus
Hanna Kollmorgen
Nathaniel Kosir
Kyle Krebs
Zachary Krejci
Melissa Kuchta
Katherine Kulp
Julia Lesko
Ariana Ljubi
Vince Lucarelli
Kelley Madden
Chloe Martin
Olivia Martin
Morgan Mc Cluskey
Samantha Minadeo
Emily Mineo

Amarani Miramontes
Victor Monaco
Gia O'Brien
Colin O'Connor
Andrew O'Donnell
Anthony Orange
Gianna Paterniti
Jacob Pilawa
Ellyse Ridgway
Catherine Robertson
Stephanie Rowen
Michael Salem
Kendalle Sexton
Nolan Smith
Alexander Stewart
Megan Szucs
Sophia Vidal
James Vober
Alyssa Wentz
Michelle Wesley
Melanie Williams
Connor Winter
Elijah Young
Ashley Zakrajsek
Kimberly Zellhofer
Regina Ziccardi
Josephine Ziganti
Joseph Zimmerman, Jr.
Leo Zingales
Hanna Zuzek

Sacraments and Worship

First Communion of Children

76 children received the Eucharist for the first time this past year. Parents of children participated in three meetings focused on the Sacraments of Eucharist and Reconciliation. A retreat day called "Jesus Day" was held on Saturday, March 10, 2012 for all the first communicants and their families. The following young people came to the table of the Lord for the first time:

Rachel Askew	Ryan Dienes	Ryan Mc Ginnis	Eiren Schobel
Christian Beazel	Joseph DiLalla	Colin Mc Kinney	Matthew Sexton, Jr.
Braelyn Beers	Benjamin Elenin	Angelina McGinty	Raine Simon
Alexis Brown	Vincent Fabe	Elisabeth McHugh	Jack Sparent
Vincent Brown	Cole Frate	Nathan Meyers	Riley Spryn
Michael Burkhard	Salvatore Giglio	Celia Mierke	Gia Spuzzillo
Angelina Camino	Gabriella Gudger	Anthony Miller	Salvatore Stazzone
Gianna Carcelli	Kaedyn Hass	Allison Mueller	Daniel Stewart
Morgan Carmosino	Mark Hauptman	Faith Neylon	William Suglia, Jr.
Stefano Carpinelli	Jane Javorek	Vincent Nice	Shannon Swinerton
Sean Carr	Zsofia Karetka	Camille Paoletta	Linnea Thompson
Anna Marie Cavasinni	Antonio Katusic	Christian Paros	Conner Vieira
Michael Cavasinni	Lauren Kercher	Samuel Pausch	Alex Wasko
Cameron Connors	Ethan Kulp	Molly Petransky	John Weisend
James Connors	Camryn Lees	Finley Pitcock	Tori Wiece
Megan Conrad	Lorenzo Linek	Chris Ranallo, Jr.	Joey Williams
Sophia Del Val	Seth Malenda	Lucas Ritossa	Meghan Zebrowski
Carly DeMille	Julia Mansfield	Kaden Ryan	Bridget Zimmerman
Joseph Di Franco	Thomas Mansfield	Benjamin Scheps	Angelina Zingales-Rogal

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Each Saturday the Sacrament of Reconciliation (confession) is celebrated between 3:30 and 4:15 p.m. Additionally, communal penance services were held during Lent at Saint Anselm and during Advent at Saint Francis of Assisi. Penance services were also celebrated for children in the day school and the PSR programs so that each child had the opportunity to receive the Sacrament twice during the school year.

Ministry to Parishioners who are Homebound

Many Saint Anselm parishioners keep the parish in prayer as they spend their days in the confines of their homes and extended-care facilities. We are grateful to all of them. As parish community, we have ministered among the persons who have been sick and unable to attend weekend liturgies. **26 Eucharistic Ministers** visited those **41 parishioners** to bring the sacrament to them weekly. The pastoral staff visits parishioners who are homebound once a month. In addition to periodic visits by staff, a parishioner, trained in pastoral visiting, visits parishioners in hospitals and nursing homes on a weekly basis.

Eucharistic Adoration

Eleven years ago, Eucharistic Adoration was established in our parish. Day and night, the opportunity to spend time with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament in our chapel has been available to us. Many have responded by adoring one hour each week at a specific time. To accomplish the goal of adorers at all hours, more participants are needed. Jesus' words, "Can you not spend but one hour with me?" call out for more adorers. To receive more information and to join this ministry please phone Bob Mayer at 729-4895.

Sacraments and Worship

Marriage

Couples wishing to be married at Saint Anselm should contact the parish priest or deacon at least six months prior to the desired wedding date. The couple will meet with a parish priest or deacon several times to prepare for the Sacrament of Marriage. In the first meeting, couples spend about an hour with the priest or deacon in an initial interview. The couple then completes an online premarital inventory (Prepare-Enrich) and reviews the results with the priest or deacon. Prior to the ceremony, the couple meets with the priest or deacon to plan the details of the wedding. The couple participates in a one day marriage preparation program called Pre-Cana. Last year **11 couples** attended the Pre-Cana Day on February 18, 2012. Several married couples formed a team that facilitated the Pre-Cana Day. The team spent several sessions in prayer and preparation for the day. The following **22 couples** were married at Saint Anselm last year:

Charles Anspack ~ Julie Sankovic
Kevin Lewalk ~ Andrea Wolny
Kyle Johnson ~ Elizabeth Paterniti
Marvin Goetz ~ Elizabeth Lombardi
Bryan Javorek ~ Jessica Ragle
Anthony Sara ~ Alicia Scicolone
Josip Jurcevic ~ Vedrana Rauzen
Conrad Gagnon, Jr. ~ Courtney Hall
Ryan Bockmuller ~ Lauren Fry
Alex McCormick ~ Megan Rodgers
Marshall Kutz ~ Colleen Andrassy

Matthew Marous ~ Elizabeth Bagaria
Joseph Dwyer ~ Leah Soeder
Philip Snyder ~ Victoria Hun
Joseph Liotta ~ Kathryn Visocky
Ryan Patete ~ Linda Ward
Nicholas Sambula ~ Amanda Flowers
Buster Beck ~ Jaime Frankino
Felix Grünewald ~ Karen Joyce
Matthew Tripp ~ Courtney Godale
J.C. Lenk ~ Rebecca Soeder
Nicholas DiDona ~ Gabriella Giancola

Deaths

The following parishioners received Christian Burial during the last year: May God grant them eternal rest.

Joseph Horvath
Julia Sablyar
Andrew Halasz
Josephine Williams
Anthony McCarthy
Joseph Kondrat
Salvatore M. LoPresti
Cecelia Reed
Charles Steinfurth
Tamara Kado (Baker)
Mary Skladanowski
Elizabeth Jenkinson
Rita Peters
Mary Tarka
Ronald Quercioli
Jeanette Shelden
Salvatore DiNallo
James Fitch

Maria Zavarella
Maria Turk-Wolenski
Daniel Fyfe
Jennifer Sloe
Patricia Hrwatzki
Anton Ban
Regina Rosboril
Donna Sanelli
Lorraine Skufca
Richard Hanzel
Joan Mulcahy
Maureen Doyle
Angelina Gorski
Leonard Powers
Leslie Lesko
Joseph Farina
Edward "Mike" Kenneley
Pauline LoBosco

Carol Krause
Jean Elia
Edward Carroll
Robert Nazarini
Paul Ranney
Mary Walkush
Ilene Schaffer
Brian Sexton
Marian Loucks
Christopher McFaul
Mary Anne Javorek
Daniel Sapanaro
Michael Keller
Helen Sablyar
Chester Osinski
Patricia Nagy
Doris Moran
Ashton Wos-Clarson

Domenica Fedeli
Leo Visnieski
Frank Praizner
Rosalind Iammarino
Joseph Buettner
Charles Ritondaro
Loretta Ritondaro
Angelina Baglione
William Flesher
Eulalia Nagy
Margaret Luongo
Anna Jean Barnes
Ferdinand Jereb
Tillie Borsos
Mildred Oriani
Lisa Hamila
Emily Pierce

"Blessed are they who mourn. They will be comforted." Mt. 5:4. In attempting to live this beatitude, Saint Anselm Parish offers ministry to the bereaved in the following ways listed on the next page.

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Funeral Planning and Visiting the Bereaved

Outreach is provided by **12 parishioners** trained in ministry to those who grieve. They assist families in planning the funeral liturgy or memorial service and call upon the families to offer support in the months following the death. Bereavement ministers assisted **71 families** this past year.

Members of the Funeral Choir and Adult Funeral Servers assist with the Funeral Mass.

A Memorial Buffet is offered to the families of registered parishioners so that after the funeral, a meal served by parishioners is available to those who attend the funeral. Last year, 39 buffets were served to **2,452 people**.

Memorial Mass

The Mass was held on November 2, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. All families who experienced the loss of a loved one were invited. Families of deceased for whom we prayed were also invited. A reception followed the liturgy.

Grief Support Group

A winter support group was held for grieving members of Saint Anselm and Saint Francis parishes. **10 people** participated in the February, 2012 group at Saint Anselm.

Liturgical Ministers

We are grateful to the many parishioners who share in the Liturgy through various liturgical ministries, which include:

101 Eucharistic Ministers, **36** Lectors, **37** Servers,
22 Ushers, **14** Greeters, **26** Mass Coordinators

Music Ministers

David Fuller and Yu Sakamoto coordinate liturgical music. There were approximately **113 parishioners** active in music ministry. This includes 55 adults, 45 children and 13 teens. 4 extra instrumentalists as well as 2-3 guitar players also participated in the weekend liturgies as well as Christmas and Easter celebrations.

Liturgies

Weekend liturgies are the source and summit of the Catholic faith, forming adults and children in faith and sustaining them in the Christian life. Masses were celebrated at 4:30 p.m. on Saturdays and at 8:00, 9:30, and 11:30 a.m. (and 6:00 p.m. from February through April, 2012) on Sundays. Daily Mass was celebrated at 7:30 a.m. Monday through Thursday followed by Morning Prayer (The Liturgy of the Hours). On Fridays, the 8:30 a.m. Mass was celebrated with children and faculty of Saint Anselm school and adult parishioners.

Fiftieth Anniversary Celebration

The **90** founding members and numerous parishioners and former staff participated in the anniversary Mass celebrated by Bishop Richard Lennon at 11:30 a.m. on Sunday, July 10, 2011. The liturgy was followed by a reception for **300** people in Kelly Hall.

Outreach

Alhambra

The members of the Alhambra yearly collect money for their work with the Developmentally Disabled. This year's collection was \$1,500.00.

Birthright

Birthright Geauga on Chardon Square counsels and assists pregnant women. Parishioners donated \$2,267.00 toward their annual appeal.

Blanket Sunday

In October a collection was taken up for the needy to purchase blankets, towels and sheets. This past year \$390.00 was donated.

Christmas Giving

Through the Advent Giving Tree, parishioners provide Christmas gifts for families and individuals with a financial need. Approximately 356 gifts were given this year to **29 families** or **individuals**; also gift cards were supplied that assisted families and individuals in need throughout the year.

Collinwood Hot Meals / Food Pantry

Saint Anselm is an active participant in the Collinwood Hot Meals Program where a hot supper is served on Wednesdays and a hot lunch on Saturdays at the Salvation Army Center. Approximately 70 dinners and 50 lunches are served each week by **60 volunteers** of which **40** are parishioners. Saint Anselm also supports The Food Pantry, currently located at 15220 Lakeshore Blvd. with donated food, monetary help and volunteers. The food pantry serves approximately **1000 individuals** per month with essential food items.

Mission and Relief Collections

Brother Donald Neff from the Marianist Mission office spoke at parish Masses June 16/17; \$4,424.35 was collected to support the needs of the people this mission serves throughout the world, especially in India and Africa. Saint Anselm PSR students collected \$670.35 during Advent for textbooks for St. Kizito. During Lent PSR students made donations totaling \$932.34 for the missions in El Salvador. Saint Anselm School students were involved in many outreach activities during the school year. Students contributed \$800 for the El Shaddai Indian Street Rescue fund; \$500 (in pennies) for textbooks for St. Kizito; \$149 from the Holy Thursday soup kitchen event for St. Kizito and \$149 for Karpos Ministry; \$281.25 for Holy Child missions; \$622.30 for Rice Bowl. *(continued)*

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Mission and Relief Collections (continued)

A group of students independently asked permission to make and sell duct tape flowers for the Chardon Healing fund raising \$458. Students also assisted in the Lake County Leadership program raising \$1,602 for supplies for needy students throughout the county. In addition, Saint Anselm School students in grades 7 and 8 participated in Karpos Ministry through Saint Mary Parish in Painesville. They prepared, served, and cleaned up meals for the poor after school monthly throughout the year.

Retirement for the Religious

This money helps religious orders to provide retirement care and nursing care for its members. This year parishioners contributed \$5,364.26.

Saint Anselm Assistance Ministry

This group's work reaches out to parishioners with a financial need on a confidential basis. Members provide financial assistance and give advice in budgeting and in other ways.

Social Justice and Outreach

This committee meets monthly to explore ways to advocate for justice and directly serve the poor. Our Food Ministry continues to go well with \$16,845 and approximately 5,310 pounds of food donated this year. The food is sent to the Collinwood Food Pantry and the money collected is divided between Collinwood and the Geauga Hunger Task Force. The committee generated a spin off group entitled Textbooks for Uganda. In our first year, we raised over \$5,000 through various fundraisers and were able to buy over 400 books for our library at St. Kizito Counseling Centre in Uganda.

Support-A-Student

This is a program to help students receive a Catholic Education. To sponsor a Saint Anselm student by donating any portion of one year's tuition, contact the school principal at 440-729-7806. This year \$62,143.02 was contributed to this program.

Thanksgiving Day Dinner

This free dinner is available to whoever wants to come. Donations are accepted. This year, 458 dinners were served by approximately **60 volunteers**. Due to the large amounts of donated food and supplies, a donation is made each year to the Geauga Hunger Task Force which totaled \$2,026.00 this year. All remaining food was delivered to the Geauga County Home.

Formation and Education

The parish has a variety of opportunities for both children and adults to aid in growth in the faith.

Saint Anselm School

The mission of Saint Anselm School is to provide a quality Catholic education, to proclaim the good news of Christ, and to promote the development of the whole child in a caring and nurturing faith-based environment. We serve children in preschool (ages 3, 4, and 5) through eighth grade. There were **41 children** in the pre-school program and **226 students** in kindergarten through eighth grade. The staff consists of two licensed preschool teachers, two certified teacher aides, thirteen full time teachers and five part time teachers. Teachers include classroom instructors and specialized teachers for art, computer, enrichment (Journey), physical education/health, music, Spanish and band. Saint Anselm has one librarian, one school secretary, three custodians, a principal, and proctors who supervise children during the lunch and recess periods. Through Auxiliary Services monies, Saint Anselm School also has a daily health aide, school counselor, speech therapist, LD tutor/intervention assistant, Title 1 teacher and clerk.

The theme for the 2011-2012 school year was "We Are One Body in Christ-and we do not stand alone". Students were involved in many outreach activities as they recognized that we are all one in Christ (as described in the Outreach section on page 7 of this report).

There were many additions to the curriculum and activities offered at Saint Anselm School. Saint Anselm added golf and cross-country skiing experiences to the regular physical education program; through the Ohio Catholic Credit Union we began the student banking program so that students may make monthly deposits to their savings accounts here at school; we initiated spelling club, geography club, chess club, and continued the Great Books program and book club. Several classes were involved in Junior Achievement presentations throughout the school year. After the Mass on All Saints Day, the fifth graders staged an all saints wax museum in Kelly Hall. Saint Anselm School also conducted its own in house science fair. Judges from local colleges/universities, high schools and businesses served as judges for the projects. Having the science fair in December provided greater opportunities for the students to also register in time for the Case Western Reserve and Cleveland State University science fairs.

The Diocese of Cleveland designed a new accreditation program for religion teachers, and all teachers in the diocese participated in four days of training for it. Continuing education and formation activities will be provided for the teachers over the next three to five years. Teachers also helped the children transition into the new liturgical changes that were introduced in Advent.

In an attempt to keep students motivated and to refresh some other programs, the S.P.A.R.K.S. program was phased out and the Social Justice Awards were phased in. These programs teach the students about responsible behavior and provide opportunities to affirm their efforts at incorporating them into their lives.

We were pleased to also introduce a third grade leadership award. The Jerry and Laura Fatica Leadership Award recognizes a third grade student for leadership, service to the church and school, and commitment to the Catholic faith. We are grateful to the Fatica family for this support for the school and children. We are also grateful for all those who contributed so generously to the Support-a-Student program, Box Tops for Education, Campbell Soup Labels, sponsored programs through Giant Eagle, Target, and Heinen's, the magazine drive, the annual golf outing and the fall fundraiser. This is a wonderful community, and the children and faculty and staff of Saint Anselm School hold all of our benefactors in prayer.

Saint Anselm School Extended Care Program

This program continues to provide a safe, supportive environment for families in need of before and/or after school care. This program is under the direction of 2-3 staff members.

Saint Anselm School Parent Club

The Parent Club sponsors programs to enhance parent/teacher/child relationships as well as those that raise funds to benefit the students and the programs at Saint Anselm School. We strive to promote the spiritual, intellectual and social growth of our members through these programs. We want to convey to the Parish and the community the vitality and strength of Catholic education.

Formation and Education

Saint Anselm Parish School of Religion (PSR)

There were **364 children** enrolled in grades 1-8 in the PSR program. We are grateful for the ministry of the **32 catechists** who work in this program along with the volunteers who assist as substitute teachers, office helpers or classroom aides. Sister Noel Marra directs this program.

Sunday Pre-School Religion Program

The Sunday Pre-School Religion Program for three, four and five-year olds was held during the 9:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday mornings during the school year. This past year there were **17 children** served by a staff of one teacher and 2 student aides.

Vacation Bible School

89 children attended Vacation Bible School the week of June 18-22. There were **3 team members** who served on the Planning Committee. With the generous help of **48 volunteers** assisting as teachers, aides, center helpers and decorators, the week was one of laughter and excitement for both children and adults. Through fun filled activities, children discovered how they can continue to grow in their knowledge and love of Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

Intergenerational Events

Blessing of Pets

Many parishioners brought pets of all shapes and sizes for a Pet Blessing on Sunday, October 2, 2011.

Adult Faith Formation

Bible Study and Sharing Groups

Two opportunities for Scripture Sharing were and are available to parishioners:

1. Scripture Study on *Mark, the Gospel of the Messianic Secret - Part 1*, took place every Tuesday evening from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. with **20 participants**. The group was facilitated by Scripture scholar, John Scarano.
2. Men of the parish shared faith and scripture each Thursday morning at 6:30 a.m. with **18-20 participants** weekly.

Wisdom Ministries

The cluster team of **10 people** participated in goal setting and calendar planning to provide spiritual formation for cluster parishioners over age fifty. Events included: *Transition with Purpose* Retirement Workshop, with Sr. Mary Ann Burke, SND, on August 28-29, 2011 (**40 participants**), book group on *Living Every Day with Passion and Purpose*, September 27, 2011 (**15 participants**), *Creating Caregiver Balance* workshop, with diocesan staff Leanne Mahovlic and Jason Lewis, Oct. 3, 2011 (**12 participants**), *The Gift of Years* book discussion in April-May, 2012 (**5 in attendance**) and *Tour of St. John Cathedral*, May 15, 2012 (**4 participants**).

Adult Learning

Events included: 50th Anniversary presentation, *St. Anselm, His Contribution to Church History and Relevance Today*, was held on September 19, 2011 with Sr. Mary McCormick (**50 participants**); Advent, *Who is Mary in Light of the Christmas Season?* small group discussion on Nov. 30; Advent Food For Thought small group on *The Second Coming, The Prophets, Christmas*, Dec. 2, 9, 16 (**10 participants**); The Catholicism DVD and Discussion Series: *God Become Man, The Teachings of Jesus, The Mystery of God, Mary, Peter and Paul, Christ and the Church, The Liturgy and the Eucharist, The Communion of Saints, Prayer and the Life of the Spirit, The Last Things*, January 17-March 27, 2012. (**90 participants weekly**); Retreat, *In the Quiet*, with Sr. Maureen McCarthy, was held Saturday, January 21 (**50 participants**); Living Stations of the Cross, prayer was led by students from Elyria Catholic High School, March 4, 2012 (**250 attended**); *The Way*, supper and a movie, was offered to families on Saturday, March 24 (**45 people attended**); *This is My Body: Eucharist and Friendship*, evening retreat with Fr. Mike Woost, Saturday, June 9, 2012, (**50 participants**).

Parish Life

Annual Fall Fundraiser

This was the ninth year for this parish fall fundraiser/social, this year entitled “Golden Gala” celebrating the Fiftieth Anniversary of the parish. Some **300 people** enjoyed the evening at the Croatian Lodge Party Center filled with a delicious dinner, wonderful auction items and dancing. Thanks to the exceptional kindness of many donors, volunteers, bidders and buyers, the event netted in excess of \$41,000. The monies benefit our school and athletics and the parish's many outreach programs.

Athletic Association

This group provides for the athletic needs of parish children through participation in the various CYO athletic programs of the Diocese of Cleveland. CYO endeavors to help young people be more Christ-like in the way they live. The young person, not the athletic activity, is the focus of CYO athletics. CYO provides an opportunity for as many eligible young people as possible to experience spiritual, physical, mental, and emotional growth through participation in CYO sports. Sports offered at Saint Anselm include volleyball, basketball and track. Football, cross country, baseball and softball are offered through adjoining parishes. There are approximately **150 children** participating in one or more sports and approximately **40 volunteer coaches**. Anderson Hall is used for athletic programs.

Cluster Evangelization Committee

This committee, comprised of members from Saint Anselm and Saint Francis parishes, has been particularly focusing on ways to reach those Catholics who no longer come to Mass or who have felt abandoned or hurt by the Church. Last year, three “Come and See” events were held:

*October 24, 2011 at Saint Francis of Assisi—*Where Do I Find God in Pain and Suffering* – with Mary Lou Beers

*November 21, 2011 at Saint Anselm—*Who is Jesus for You?* with Fr. Chuck Butkowski

*February 13, 2012 at Saint Francis of Assisi—*What is the Catholic Understanding of Holy Communion?* – with Bishop Roger Gries

Approximately **50 cluster members** attended each event. The committee explores new ideas for sharing the Catholic faith and being open, forgiving and thriving as parish.

Coffee Social

After the 8:00 and 9:30 Masses most Sundays, coffee, juice, donuts and cookies were available in Kelly Hall as part of this social time for the parish. About 15 dozen donuts and 4 dozen cookies are served each week with 175 cups of coffee along with tea and punch.

Girl Scouts

61 girls in grades Kindergarten through 8th grade participate. Each year Saint Anselm hosts World Friendship Day with **175 scouts** (350 people) attending. Saint Anselm also hosts a mother/daughter event, Girl Scout Sunday Mass, cookie booth sales and an awards ceremony. The parish accommodates monthly troop meetings.

LifeTEEN

Saint Anselm LifeTeen meets every Sunday evening and is for the high school students of the parish. Each week the teens gather to share friendship, food, fun and faith. These “Life Nights” provide an opportunity for teens to grow deeper in their faith through witness talks and interactive discussions and activities. Teens also learn more about relevant social issues and focus on community service throughout the year. Approximately **15 students** gathered each week. **3 adult volunteers** made up the core team and helped facilitate each Life Night. Retreat experiences were a focal point for the year. Fall and spring retreats were attended by many of the youth and held jointly with Geauga and Lake LifeTeen at the Hiram House.

Messenger

The parish newspaper was published 3 times during fiscal 2012 by a **staff of 5** with the assistance of **6 - 8 volunteers** who label it for mailing. Regular issues are published in the Spring and Fall and in November it is published as our Parish's Annual Report. *The Messenger* issues are also available to read on the parish website.

Parish Life

Parish Festival

The 40th annual parish festival was held during Memorial Day weekend, Thursday through Sunday. The Festival Committee, along with countless volunteers, staffed the nearly 800 positions needed to run the festival. Continuing the traditions of the past, the festival featured entertainment, great food, rides, games, instant bingo, a cash raffle, a Chinese Auction and Monte Carlo. Many of the parish's organizations volunteered their time in the various booths. This year's festival income exceeded last year's receipts, netting nearly \$55,000 with over \$45,000 going to the parish, and nearly \$9,500 to parish organizations.

Parish Picnic

Saint Anselm and Saint Francis held a cluster parish picnic on September 4, 2011 at Weigand's Lake Park. A total of **262 people** from Saint Anselm attended. Mass was celebrated at 5:00 p.m. The day included all you could eat food, games, swimming, paddle boats, corn hole, face painting, softball, volleyball and a baking contest.

Partners in Ministry

The Collinwood Area Church Council of which Saint Jerome and Saint Anselm are members is providing much needed services in the Collinwood area including the "Hot Meals Program", "The Pantry Program", and the "Backpack Program".

Prayer Line

By calling the parish office at 729-9575 with your anonymous request for the Lord's intervention, **38 men and women** will pray for that intention. They pray in their homes for those in need, communicating by a phone chain, the Internet or a monthly mailing.

The Lord is our strength and help in troubled times.

Shawl Ministry

Our shawl ministry knitted and crocheted over 25 prayer shawls during this past year. We distributed these items to the elderly, the shut-ins and the sick. We also made 47 personalized Baptismal blankets for the newly baptized babies. Additionally, we made 135 hats and 6 scarves which we donated to St. Augustine Hunger Center to be distributed to the homeless and the needy. Our ladies pray for the recipients of these items as they are being made. The items are then prayed over in our meetings before they are distributed.

Strengths & Engagement

New parishioners continued to receive the *Living Your Strengths* books at new parishioner gatherings.

Welcoming Committee

This committee, which consists of **15 members**, invites new parishioners to attend an informal information session about the parish, and register. Sessions are held monthly and include a continental breakfast, which is prepared by the Hospitality Committee. During fiscal year 2012, **65 families**, totaling **167 new members**, registered at the "Welcome Breakfasts".

Women's Guild

Founded to help women grow spiritually and to serve the community through projects such as sponsoring the Christmas Boutique, Pot Luck Dinner, Holiday Dinner and Lenten Program, Bake Sale, and Mother's Day Breakfast. They also have a group of ladies that are making Cord Mission Rosaries, Chain Rosaries and Rosary Bracelets. The group has **90 members** and donated \$7,750 to the parish and school in addition to the service.

Young of Heart

This parish senior organization is open to any member of Saint Anselm Parish and any senior resident of Geauga County who is 55 or over. The purpose of the organization is to bring members together for fellowship, education, entertainment, and support. Regular meetings are held on the first and third Friday of each month in the Hospitality Room. Membership now totals **178**. The group hosted 14 trips during 2012.

**Saint Anselm Parish
Comparative Financial Report
For Year Ended June 30,**

	2012	2011	2012/13 Budget
Parish Receipts:			
Offertory Collections ⁽¹⁾	\$ 923,719	\$ 964,546	\$ 918,000
Bequests & Gifts ⁽²⁾	190,641	177,757	236,287
Income from Parish Programs	32,232	27,018	31,625
Investment Income ⁽³⁾	9,911	14,866	7,200
Net Rental Income	10,094	14,069	11,408
Contributions from Parish Organizations	3,750	4,250	4,250
Miscellaneous Receipts ⁽⁴⁾	16,766	17,282	11,500
Receipts from Insurance Claims		21,916	-
Insurance Settlement Expenses		(19,472)	-
Designated Collections	41,380	54,717	40,000
Designated Collections - Remitted	(41,380)	(54,717)	(40,000)
Total Parish Receipts	\$ 1,187,113	\$ 1,222,232	\$ 1,220,270
Parish Disbursements:			
Salaries, Benefits, & Taxes	\$ 497,742	\$ 492,871	\$ 520,728
Rectory & Household	17,768	11,349	13,520
Parish Office & Administration	49,849	42,262	52,950
Altar, Sanctuary, & Liturgical ⁽⁴⁾	24,835	24,316	34,650
Community Outreach	9,543	12,749	8,615
Religious Education & Evangelization	38,719	32,245	44,870
Utilities ⁽⁵⁾	53,625	67,330	58,506
Insurance & Property Taxes	20,663	20,103	20,800
Maintenance, Repairs, & Plant Operating	53,835	64,993	60,060
Diocesan Assessments ⁽⁶⁾	111,348	109,740	108,654
Capital Disbursements ⁽⁷⁾	12,302	25,000	-
Parish School Support ⁽⁸⁾	224,832	267,013	273,153
Total Parish Disbursements	\$ 1,115,061	\$ 1,169,971	\$ 1,196,506
Total Parish Surplus (Deficit)	\$ 72,052	\$ 52,261	\$ 23,764
Net Fundraising Activity - Debt Reduction & Capital Campaign	\$ 5,325	\$ 5,367	
Parish and School Assets & Liabilities			
	As of June 30,		
	2012	2011	
Checking Accounts	\$ 184,920	\$ 101,053	
Savings & Investments	263,829	264,123	
Savings & Investments held for Extraordinary Maintenance	728,850	728,850	
Accounts Receivable		1,500	
Provision for Extraordinary Maintenance	(728,850)	(728,850)	
Total Checking, Savings & Investments	448,749	366,676	
Building Fund - Checking, Savings & Investments ⁽⁹⁾	188,071	220,484	
Total Assets	\$ 636,820	\$ 587,160	
Accounts Payable & Other Liabilities	\$ 268,891	\$ 257,432	
Net Assets	367,929	329,728	
Total Liabilities & Net Assets	\$ 636,820	\$ 587,160	

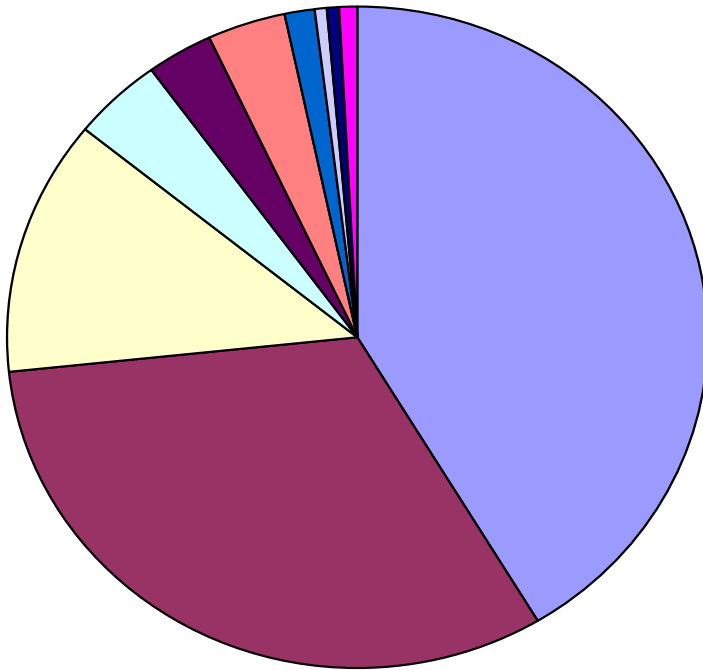
**Saint Anselm Parish
Comparative Financial Report
For Year Ended June 30,**

School Receipts:	<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012/13 Budget</u>
Tuition ⁽¹⁰⁾	\$ 713,261	\$ 693,926	\$ 709,700
Government Assistance (including Mandated Services)	71,028	67,250	73,000
Bequests & Gifts ⁽²⁾	89,662	62,915	69,150
Net Fund Raising ⁽¹¹⁾	90,194	89,181	96,200
Other Student Receipts & Income	81,637	58,655	65,648
School Support from Parish ⁽⁸⁾	<u>224,832</u>	<u>267,013</u>	<u>273,153</u>
Total School Receipts	<u>\$ 1,270,614</u>	<u>\$ 1,238,940</u>	<u>\$ 1,286,851</u>
School Disbursements:			
Salaries, Benefits & Taxes	\$ 992,105	\$ 962,825	\$ 997,125
Instructional	39,199	42,602	35,900
Utilities ⁽⁵⁾	42,493	54,737	43,406
Maintenance, Repairs & Plant Operating	68,762	55,854	83,800
Insurance & Property Taxes	16,020	15,695	16,500
Student Services	46,776	39,358	49,000
Administration	35,006	42,869	41,120
Capital Disbursements ⁽⁷⁾	<u>30,253</u>	<u>25,000</u>	<u>20,000</u>
Total School Disbursements	<u>\$ 1,270,614</u>	<u>\$ 1,238,940</u>	<u>\$ 1,286,851</u>

Footnotes:

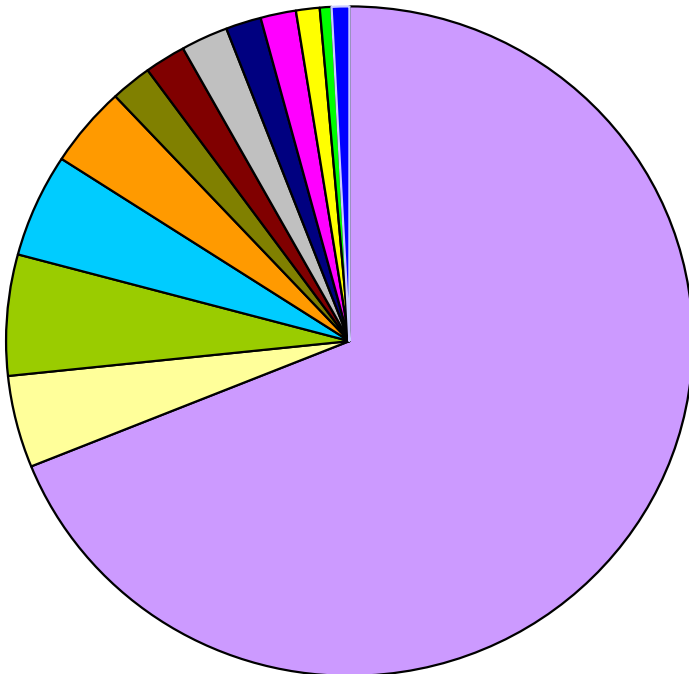
- (1) Offertory Collections decreased 4.2%, or \$40,827 year-to-year.
- (2) Bequests & Gifts increased 16.5%, or \$39,631.
- (3) Investment Income decreased 33.3%, or \$4,955 year-to-year. This was due to continued low overall interest rates during fiscal year 2012. All funds are held in insured bank accounts or money market accounts.
- (4) Flower fund donations of \$5,282 for 2011 were previously netted against their expenses. These are now shown in Miscellaneous Receipts, with expenses included in Altar, Sanctuary, & Liturgical.
- (5) Utilities for the parish and school decreased 21.2%, or \$25,949; the milder winter of 2012 as well as lower per unit costs from our natural gas supplier resulted in overall lower expenses.
- (6) Diocesan Assessments increased \$1,608 year-to-year. Diocesan Assessments are adjusted annually based upon the previous fiscal year's offertory collections and are 11.5% of the offertory collection.
- (7) The following Capital Disbursements were funded from operating receipts: a replacement air conditioning unit (\$3,356), installation of drainage tile and catch basins in three areas on the property (\$8,945), a new Smart Board for school classroom (\$2,900), architectural plans for school roof project (\$3,536), 22 new classroom computers (one per room) and a mobile cart with 26 laptops for students to use in the classroom (\$23,818).
- (8) Parish School Support, the difference between school receipts and disbursements, decreased \$42,181.
- (9) Items funded with Building Fund donations included \$14,850 for the new water treatment system, \$5,658 for roof repairs and analysis of needed improvements, \$6,320 for a new walk in freezer in the school, \$3,100 for new flooring in the school entrance, \$9,249 for plumbing upgrades in the restrooms.
- (10) Tuition included Support A Student Contributions of \$62,143 in 2012 and \$72,600 in 2011. In fiscal year 2012, 60 children received tuition assistance totaling \$108,943.
- (11) Fund Raising income for the school increased \$1,013 year-to-year. Net Fund Raising income is comprised of the proceeds from the following fundraisers: Parish Festival, \$45,423 (additional proceeds of \$9,500 were distributed to parish organizations); Fall Fundraiser, \$21,406 (additional proceeds of \$20,313 were distributed to Parent Club and Athletic Association for funding of school improvements and programs); Golf Outing, \$12,358; Magazine Sale, \$9,296; and Candy Sale and Spring Luncheon, \$1,711.

Saint Anselm Church & School Receipts as a Percent of Total Fiscal year ending June 30, 2012



- Offertory Collections (41%)
- Tuition (32%)
- Bequests & Gifts (12%)
- Net Fund Raising (4%)
- Government Assistance - School (3%)
- Other Student Receipts & Income (4%)
- Income from Parish Programs (1%)
- Investment Income (1%)
- Rental Income (1%)
- Other Income (1%)

Saint Anselm Church & School Disbursements as a Percent of Total Fiscal year ending June 30, 2012



- Salaries, Benefits & Taxes (69%)
- Utilities (4%)
- Maintenance, Repairs, & Plant Operating (5%)
- Diocesan Assessments (5%)
- Administration (4%)
- Capital Disbursements (2%)
- Instructional (2%)
- Student Services (2%)
- Insurance & Property Tax (2%)
- Religious Education & Evangelization (2%)
- Altar, Sanctuary & Liturgical (1%)
- Community Outreach (1%)
- Rectory & Household (1%)

Administration

Staff

Fr. Thomas M. Sweany, Pastor
Fr. Stephen M. Spisak, Parochial Vicar
Mrs. Jean Fitzgerald, Pastoral Associate, RCIA Coordinator
Sister Noel Marra, O.S.U., Director of Religious Education
Sister Ann Whitely, O.S.U., RCIC Coordinator
Miss Joan Agresta, School Principal
Deacon Robert Kovach, Jr.
Deacon Donald Sill
Fr. John Blazek, Weekend Mass Presider
Fr. Michael Woost, Weekend Mass Presider
Eric & Theresa Charmley, Youth Ministers

Saint Anselm Parish and School had **22** full-time employees and **34** part-time positions.

Pastoral Council

The Pastoral Council makes recommendations to the pastor and staff regarding parish activity. There are **11 members** of Council in addition to the Pastor, Father Thomas Sweany and Pastoral Associate, Jean Fitzgerald. They are:

Bernadette Cavolo	Terry Palermo	Mary Ann Trask	Susan Zimmerman
Tim Leahy	Michael Rayl	Alan Wesen	Carol Zsulya
Eric Montgomery	Rosa Studniarz	Teresa Zienka	

Finance Council

This group gives advice regarding the financial and business aspects of parish life. There are **8 members** and they are:

Fr. Thomas M. Sweany, Pastor	James Jeffrey
Laura Pirosko, Chairperson	Lynn Kriessler Junglas
Mitchell Bowlus	Benjamin Pintabona
Edward Doles	Robert Studniarz

Registered Parishioners

As of June 30, 2012, Saint Anselm Parish had **2,380** registered households (**6,663** people).



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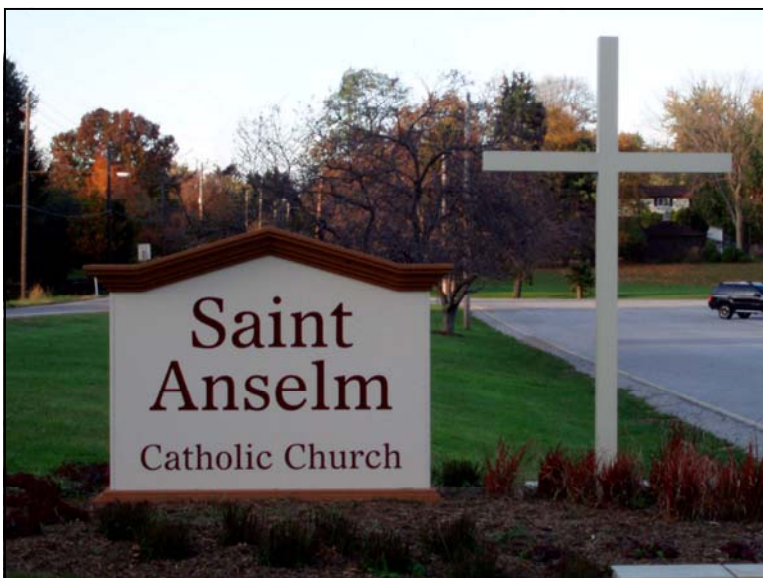
MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Vigil: Sat. 4:30 p.m.
Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m.,
11:30 a.m.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 3:30-4:15 p.m.

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