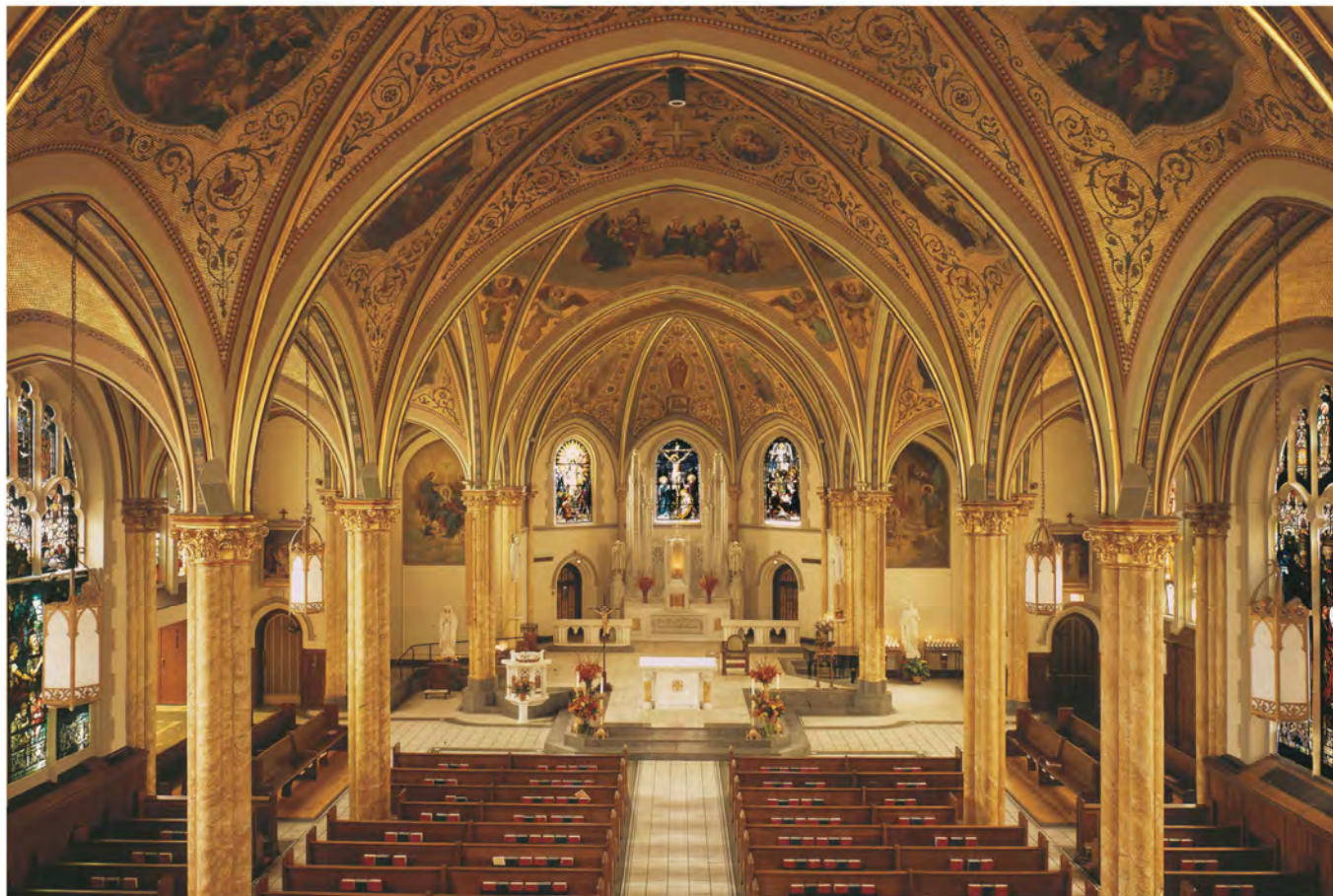


# Saint Edmund Parish *Echoes*

*Reaching out from the heart of Oak Park*


**November 4, 2018**



## **Parish Office**

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Visit the parish web-site at [stedmund.org](http://stedmund.org). You may also e-mail us from the web-site.

 Follow us on Twitter at: St. Edmunds-Oak Park or @edmunds\_oakpark

## **Parish Administration and Staff**

Rev. John McGivern, Pastor  
Ms. Peggy Leddy, Pastoral Associate  
Mrs. Maria Allori, Development Director  
Deacon Thomas Dwyer, Parish Business Manager  
Mr. Donald Giannetti, Parish Assistant  
Mrs. Kathleen Halfpenny, Director of Music

Mrs. Christine A. Rousakis, Manager, Parish Office  
Mr. Al Vargas, Facilities Manager

Rev. John Lucas, *Weekend Presider*  
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## **School of Religious Education**

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## **Religious Education Program Administration and Staff**

Mrs. Janet Bennick, Coordinator of Religious Education · Ms. Kaydee Sproat, Program Secretary



All are welcome. An entrance ramp and push-bar automatic door is located at the eastern entrance of the church.

## Staff Notes

Dear Parishioners,

Every year in November, I print a copy of the annual report for the previous fiscal year. You will find it on the following page.

The report is really fairly straightforward, so my commentary upon it may not be especially lengthy.

As in the past several years, our weekly collection is budgeted for \$14,350. If you multiply this number by 50 weeks, you get the budgeted amount of \$717,500. As you can see, we fell short of our needed goal by slightly over \$100,000.

I am very grateful that your generosity with our Christmas and Easter collections was greater than what our budgeted goal was, by \$13,423.

You will notice that after our collections, the annual An Elegant Evening brings in the greatest income. This past year, the total profit was \$52,340. You will also notice that this is not income that is used for "extra" parish needs. It is used to pay our parish bills to the Archdiocese of Chicago, as well as other outstanding bills we have.

The only other especially important thing to note on the budget is our expenses. Salaries and benefits cost us slightly more than \$400,000; and our utilities (water, phone, internet, electric, gas, waster removal,) along with snow plowing, landscaping, and my housing expenses make up that actual expense figure of \$396,185.

At the end of the day, due primarily to the deficit in our weekly collections, we ended with a net loss of \$51,848. Thankfully, we had enough parish savings to cover the net loss and we ended the fiscal year with the Archdiocese of Chicago by breaking even.

I am grateful that we were able to do so, but it is my hope that eventually, we will be able to increase our weekly collection (and utilize automatic electronic giving more and more) in order not to rely on parish

savings or even fundraising income to bail us out at the end of the fiscal year.

### Other important parish financial news...

As you know, we have been working long and hard to get to the point where we can begin work on the parish rectory. The rectory has been completely gutted and we await raising enough income to begin the renovation. The Archdiocese of Chicago requires that we have 70% of the cash on hand of the total project cost in order to begin construction. We are just shy of that goal and I am hoping that we shall begin in the next few months. This year, we also have monthly school rental income which is going directly into our rectory fund (less the 10% that the Archdiocese keeps).

As you have heard me mention several times, or perhaps read what I've written, we will be embarking very soon on a capital campaign to secure the remaining funds for the rectory (probably beginning in January). With cash on hand of roughly \$975,000, we will need to raise approximately \$600,000 more in order to cover all expenses.

We have already given consideration to doing a partial completion of the rectory, so that we can move the offices back into the first level, and make the 2nd floor useable living space for 2 priests. Ideally, we would finish the 3rd floor as well, but that will depend upon the funds we raise.

For those who have concerns about the Renew My Church initiative of the Archdiocese, remember that we cannot predict the future and the building is our responsibility. While it is likely to be a home for our priests and offices for our staff for years to come, however it will ultimately be used will be for the needs of the Church.

I hope that you have found this letter and the spreadsheet on the following page helpful in giving you a snapshot of the parish's financial status.

*M. John McGovern*

### Mass Schedule

Monday-Friday: 8:30am;  
5:30pm (Sunday Anticipatory)  
Sunday: 9am, 11:00am, 5:30pm

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 4:15pm (located in west end of north transept)

### Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

Call the Parish Office. A Minister of Care is also available to bring Holy Communion to our parish sick and homebound.

### New Parishioners

We welcome new parishioners at all times. Please stop in the Parish Office during business hours to register.

### Calling All Couples Celebrating Anniversaries Anniversary Sunday, November 4

Generally on the first Sunday of every month, the parish will offer a special blessing upon all couples who will celebrate their wedding anniversary in that month.



If you were married in the month of November, plan to receive this special blessing after all the masses this weekend.

*Congratulations!*

## Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

### ST. EDMUND PARISH FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2018 AS OF 06/30/2018

#### Excludes Extraordinary Activity

<b>Income</b>			
	Budget	Actual	
*Collections (Sunday & Holy Days)	\$717,500	\$604,404	
*Other Parish Collections	\$14,000	\$13,424	quarterly maintenance, flowers, Ash Wed., Holy Thurs., other misc.
*Christmas	\$42,000	\$53,139	
*Easter	\$24,000	\$26,284	
RE Program (Tuition/Sacramental Fees)	\$10,940	\$10,135	Parish subsidizes <i>RE Program</i> . See expenses.
Fundraising, Net Profit	\$60,700	\$14,442	RE mixed bags, "Damien," Craft Sale, etc.
		\$52,340	An Elegant Evening net profit
Interest Income	\$6,700	\$6,221	
Miscellaneous Income-Other	\$35,000	\$48,346	Donations, et al
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$910,840</b>	<b>\$828,735</b>	
* These are the various parish income streams from which the Archdiocese taxes the parish.			
<b>Expenses</b>			
<b>General Operating Expenses</b> (salaries, benefits)	\$413,650	\$437,387	
RE Program	\$45,254	\$41,713	<i>Budgeted Deficit: \$34,314</i> <i>Actual deficit: \$31,578</i>
Interest Expense-Operating loans @ Arch	\$27,500	\$5,298	
Miscellaneous Expense-Other	\$420,990	\$396,185	Water, phone, electric, landscaping, snow plowing, arch assessments, pastor's housing, etc.
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$907,394</b>	<b>\$880,583</b>	
<b>Net Profit/(Loss)</b>	<b>\$3,446</b>	<b>(51,848)</b>	

#### OUTSTANDING LOANS TO ARCHDIOCESE

6/30/2014	School	\$72,092
	Church	\$89,472
6/30/2015	Church	\$67,313
6/30/2016	Church	\$119,835
	School	\$160,428
<b>Total Debt</b>		<b>\$509,140</b>

#### RECTORY RENOVATION PROJECT

<b>Total Funds Needed</b>	<b>Actual Funds On Hand</b>	<b>Expenses Paid Out to Date</b>
\$1.534 million	\$975,899.66	\$97,878.96

### School of Religious Education

St. Edmund Religious Education program is committed to keeping the children as safe as is possible. For this reason we train adults in the Protecting God’s Children program, but the most important training that is offered is with the children. Throughout the year we hold sessions for the children in all grade levels on how to be safe; through training sessions the children are given the tools to overcome the advances of someone who intends to do them harm. And through prayers we ask God to watch over and protect all of God’s children.

#### Offertory for Weekend of October 20/21

Budgeted..... \$14,350.00  
 Weekend collection..... \$ 9,232.11  
 Deficit-to-date.....-\$49,623.28

#### Offertory for Weekend of October 27/28

Budgeted..... \$14,350.00  
 Weekend collection..... \$ 8,640.16  
 Deficit-to-date.....-\$50,315.13



Log on to the parish web-site at: [www.stedmund.org](http://www.stedmund.org). Scroll down about 1/2 page to the *Miscellany* section. Click on the *Give Central* link. You may donate to the parish either by credit card or through your bank.

### Welcome New Parishioners!

#### Next Sunday, November 11 at 10:00am

We are delighted that you have registered with the parish and joined the St. Edmund parish community!



You are cordially invited to sit with other new parishioners at a special table in Murphy Hall after the 9:00am mass during *Coffee and...* in Murphy Hall. The Welcome Committee will be on-hand to introduce you to others. You may RSVP to Mary Ellen Gruszka if you plan to attend at: [MGruszka8453@aol.com](mailto:MGruszka8453@aol.com) or 708-655-1475.

### Reception Committee Offers Thanksgiving Meal



Those of you without family in the area or no where else to go are invited to a traditional dinner offered by the Parish Life’s Reception Committee after the 10am mass on Thanksgiving Day, November 22.

The meal is complimentary, but there will be a goodwill basket if you are able to make an offering. We kindly request that you bring a side dish or dessert to share. Please call JoAnn Lewandowski at 708-386-1681 or email her at: [lewjoann@hotmail.com](mailto:lewjoann@hotmail.com) to confirm your reservation and let her know what you plan to bring.

**Reservations are required and needed by Sunday, November 18** so we may plan accordingly.

### Calling All Crafters for St. Edmund Holiday Bazaar, November 17-18

The Knit and Crochet group will hold their annual Holiday Bazaar the weekend of November 17-18 after all of the masses. We are accepting donations of hand-crafted items; including jewelry and fabric items. All proceeds of the sales benefit St. Edmund. Donated items may be dropped off the weekend of the sale. Questions? Contact Louise Stevens at: [Lpgj4@sbcglobal.net](mailto:Lpgj4@sbcglobal.net).



### Save the Date! Saturday, December 1 Festive Holiday Christmas Tea

Join us on Saturday, December 1 from 1pm –4pm in Murphy Hall for a festive holiday Christmas Tea.



All are welcome! Sr. Mary Ruth Broz is our guest speaker. The title of Sr. Mary Ruth’s presentation is *Birthing the Holy...The Work of Advent*. Harpist Nancy Dunagan will entertain us.

Tickets are \$25.00 per person and will be available after masses beginning the first weekend in November.



May the God of the harvest and the vintage  
 The God of bread and wine  
 The God of food and drink  
 Bless you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

### Week at a Glance

<b>Sunday</b> 10:30am	<b>November 4</b> Religious Education	School
<b>Monday</b> 3:00pm 7:00pm	<b>November 5</b> Eucharistic Adoration Human Concerns	Church Murphy Hall
<b>Tuesday</b> 1:30pm 7:00pm	<b>November 6</b> Faith Sharing Racism Discussion	Off-site Murphy Hall
<b>Wednesday</b> 7:00pm 7:00pm	<b>November 7</b> Bridge Cantors/Choir	Murphy Hall Church
<b>Friday</b> 9:15am	<b>November 9</b> Bible Study	Murphy Hall
<b>Saturday</b> 9:30am 11:00am	<b>November 10</b> Centering Prayer Knitting/Crocheting	N. Transept Murphy Hall
<b>Sunday</b> 10:00am 10:30am 12:30pm	<b>November 11</b> <i>Coffee and...</i> & New Parishioner event Religious Education Baptisms	Murphy Hall School Church

## Spiritual Week at St. Edmund Parish

### We Pray for our Sick

Theresa Allori	Annyce Dunbar	Nancy Norton
Clara Ballard	Mary Evans	Hannah Paist
Susan Becker	Bill Garcia	Vera Schenone
Dolores Benedict	Donald Hackett	Rachael Schopp
Susan Benedict	Clint Hight	Mike Scully
Carol Bonus	Mark Jackson	Peggie Smith
Ginie Cassin	Pat Knabe	Ethel Thomas
Susan Chicola	Terry Mannion	Sadie Thomson
Shawn Comell	Pat Michalski	Orfelinda Vera
Edward Curzon	George Nedved	
Florence Dalessandro	Mary Ellen Nedved	

### Weddings This Weekend

**Rosalia Maida and Eric DiBenedetto**

### *One in Prayer with Loved Ones in the Military*

Ian Adams, US Navy  
 Staff Sgt. Jason L. Anderson, US Army  
 Capt. John Paul Andree, Pilot US Air Force  
 Sgt. Ramiro D. Banda, US Marine Corps  
 Gunnery Sgt. Boatman, US Marine Corps  
 Specialist Brown, US Army  
 Specialist Christopher Buscher, US Army, SPC  
 Cpt. Jason Caboot  
 Sgt. Thomas J. Dutton, 10th Mountain Division  
 William Edwards, US Army Reservist  
 Private Kristopher Ellis, US Marine Corps  
 First Sgt. Daniel S. Greider US Army  
 Sgt. Michael Hoover, Army Reserve Afghanistan  
 Major Roselita Labbe, US Air Force  
 Jonathan McLean, US Marine Corps  
 Kristen Meyer, US Navy  
 Lance Cpl. Robert Miller, US Marine Corps  
 Cpt. Steven Nelson  
 Lt. Col. Edward Nevera, US Air Force  
 Lt. Col. Ken Schlorf, Army Reserve Iraq  
 Gian Franco Solari, US Air Force  
 Brian Walsh, First Lieutenant US Army  
 Kimyatta Wellington, US Navy



### Eternal Rest Grant unto These, O Lord

**Thomas O'Grady**  
**Victims of the shootings at**  
**Tree of Life Congregation Synagogue**  
**Pittsburgh, PA**

### Special Remembrances at Daily Eucharist

<b>Monday</b>	<b>November 5</b>	8:30am † Martha Stewart DeLeon
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>November 6</b>	8:30am † Paul Bowman
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>November 7</b>	8:30am † Timothy J. Rogers
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>November 8</b>	8:30am † Deceased parishioners
<b>Friday</b>	<b>November 9 (Dedication of the Lateran Basilica)</b>	8:30am † Marion B. Kramer
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>November 10 (Leo the Great)</b>	5:30pm † Walter and Stella Gregar
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>November 11 (32nd Sunday in O.T.)</b>	9:00am † Jean and Frank Pantaleo 11:00am † Homero Salinas, † Jean Black 5:30pm † Fr. Joe Ruiz

“In the face of so many wounds that hurt us and could lead to a hardness of heart, we are called to dive into the sea of prayer, which is the sea of the boundless love of God, in order to experience his tenderness.”

- Pope Francis

### Readings for the Week

<b>Monday:</b>	Phil 2: 1-4, Lk 14: 12-14
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Phil 2: 5-11, Lk 14: 15-24
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Phil 2: 12-18, Lk 14: 25-33
<b>Thursday:</b>	Phil 3: 3-8a, Lk 15: 1-10
<b>Friday:</b>	1 Cor 3: 9c-11, 16-17, Jn 2: 13-22
<b>Saturday:</b>	Phil 4: 10-19, Lk 16: 9-15
<b>Sunday:</b>	1 Kgs 17: 10-16, Heb 9: 24-28 Mk 12: 38-44 or 12 41-44

### Liturgical Ministers for the Weekend of November 10/11

Mass Time	Altar Servers	Lectors	Commentator	Cantors	Extraordinary Ministers
<b>(Saturday) 5:30pm</b>	M. Hans	T. Mackey B. McNulty	W. Carlton	K. Corcos	M. Aportadera, M. Bielawa, M. Hans, M.J. Reese, J. Reese, S. Shimon
<b>9:00am</b>	M. Armbruster S. Patston	Ch. Putz V. Verdun	M. Puzek	K. Corcos	D. Dubowski, D. Giannetti, M. Lorenzi, J. Williams
<b>11:00am</b>	M. Angone	J. Angone L. Christensen	J. Martin	T. McCoy	M. Allori, R. Allori, L. Jans, L. Patterson, M. Smith
<b>5:30pm</b>	E. Wilson-Yu				M. Lee