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the Archangel
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2025 Parish Annual Report

Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ—

Thank you for taking a few minutes to read our Annual Report. This is an opportunity to consider the beautiful things that God has done at St. Gabriel's in the last year. Here are some of the highlights:

- Our **Mass attendance** continued to rise — from an average of 765 people per weekend (in 2024) to 842. Much of that growth occurred at our Spanish Mass (despite a very challenging end of the year), but there are also many new faces at our Masses in English.
- Our **sacred music** program flourished with the addition of a Gregorian chant schola at the 8am Sunday Mass, paid professional section leaders in our 10:30am Sunday choir, and many new compositions by our Director of Sacred Music & Liturgy, Dr. Breck McGough, including a beautiful setting of the Spanish ordinary of the Mass, which is now sung every Sunday.
- Our parish youth and I went on a **mission trip** to Oklahoma, where we grew together in faith and friendship and had a life-changing time serving at a Catholic home for the terminally ill poor.
- We established a **Parish Evangelization Council** to provide leadership, vision, and organization for guiding people to Christ and His Church through our parish. This council is led by our Director of Evangelization and Catechesis, Andrew Allen.
- St. Gabriel's partnered with the **Hallow app**, which provides a beautiful digital platform for personal prayer, learning more about Scripture and our Faith, and sharing intentions and prayer challenges as a parish family.
- Our convent welcomed two wonderful new organizations last summer. **The Martin Center for Integration** is a flourishing

Catholic counseling practice that wanted to expand its services into the west metro area and found a home at our parish. And **The Society of G.K. Chesterton**, run by Chesterton Academy's founder, Dale Ahlquist, needed more space to accommodate its mission of evangelizing through education, inspiring people to live joyful, holy lives, with G.K. Chesterton as a model of lay spirituality. I hope that both of these beneficial relationships are long-lasting.

- Relic expert Sean Pilcher and I led a grace-filled **pilgrimage to Rome** in November, in which many of you took part. *Viva il Papa!*
- And of course, we began **renovating our church!** (See the last page for details.)

God's providence sent us so many blessings last year and has given us much to look forward to. I want to touch on two situations that made 2025 a difficult year in Minnesota, and that reminded us of how much we — and the world — need Jesus:

- First, our hearts were broken by the fatal shooting at Annunciation Catholic Church last August. In response to that tragedy, we put up pictures of Harper and Fletcher in our church space and prayed for them and for the Annunciation community at Mass. We also began developing a parish **emergency operations plan** and enacted protocols to ensure the security of our facilities and the safety of all who come through our doors. Our Parish Life & Operations Manager, Eric Duffert, is coordinating this effort with assistance from parishioner Dale Specken, retired Fire Chief of Hopkins.

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St. Gabriel Parish Staff—

Back row, left to right: Eric Duffert (Parish Life & Operations Manager), Ingrid Inostroza (Latino Ministry Coordinator), Lori Thul (Parish Business Administrator), Breck McGough (Director of Sacred Music & Liturgy).

Front Row, left to right: Andrew Allen (Director of Evangelization & Catechesis), Fr. Paul Haverstock (Pastor), Deacon Francis Tangney.

Not Present: Deacon Darrel Branch

Photo by Marlene Smith.



Our Parish

Parish Membership as of Dec 31, 2025:

Households—1,128

Individuals—2,658

Average Weekly Mass Attendance:

2022—644

2023—725

2024—765

2025—842

Sacraments Oct 1, 2024 - Sept 30, 2025:

Baptisms—34

First Holy Communions—28

Received into Full Communion in the Catholic Church—6

Confirmations—39

Marriages—9

Persons receiving Anointing of the Sick—75

Funerals—21

Faith Formation Numbers 2025-26:

Students—70

Preparing for First Communion—27

Preparing for Confirmation—19

Catechists—25

Parishioners at our Catholic schools:

Notre Dame Academy—20

Chesterton Academy—9

Synod Small Groups:

Eight groups with a total of 59 Participants:

- Young Moms Group
- Married Couples Group
- Apologetics (Defending the Faith) Group
- Daytime Group (Retired)
- Co-ed Group
- Men's Group
- Women's Group
- Parish Staff Group



Top 2 Photos: First Communion



Above: Easter Vigil - Newly Initiated Catholics



Above: Youth Mission Trip, Below: Confirmation



July 1, 2024—June 30, 2025 Financial Report

Fiscal Year 2024-25 Financials

In the **Unaudited Statement of Net Income (Loss)** at right, for FY 24-25, operating income from contributions, investments, festival & rental totaled \$997,254. Net costs of our various ministry and administrative areas totaled (\$1,086,576). Income less net costs resulted in a net operating loss of (\$89,322). This is better than the (\$198,006) loss we had in FY 23-24. However, as seen in the FY 25-26 budget column, our goal is to have a balanced operating budget.

The **Non-operating/Non-recurring Activity** section shows adjustments that don't involve direct use of cash, as in the operating section above it. These adjustments make our year-end financial position positive.

Your financial support of St. Gabriel parish is critical to achieve sustainable financial health. Help by tithing regularly, giving to special collections, and remembering St. Gabriel in your estate planning.

Investments and Endowments

In the lower right area of this page is the **Unaudited Statement of Net Assets**. Our financial reserves, as well as remaining proceeds from the Interlachen Campus sale, which are invested with Morgan Stanley, are shown on the **Long Term Investments** line. Just below that are our **Endowments**, which are managed by Catholic Community Foundation. Last fiscal year, the parish received grants from these endowments of \$31,804. Growing these endowments would result in larger annual grants that would help cover operating expenses. Gifts to the endowments are permanently invested, with a portion of the earnings made available to the parish each year.

The statement below shows that **St. Margaret's Cemetery** is operating well within its means and continuing to build its investments for future care of the cemetery.

St. Margaret's Cemetery

Unaudited Statement of Net Income

	FY 25-26 Budget	FY 24-25 Actual
Operating Activity		
Contributions Revenue	\$ 4,000	\$ 5,380
Dividend/Interest Revenue	15,000	17,863
Fees & Plant Stand Rentals	4,900	5,030
Interment Charges	11,000	12,900
Grave Sales	18,000	21,350
Administrative Expenses	(11,395)	(11,381)
Utilities (electric & water/sewer)	(610)	(594)
Maintenance/Repair/Interment Expenses	(14,000)	(15,107)
Lawn Care & Snow Removal	(14,152)	(13,140)
Net operating income (loss)	\$ 12,743	\$ 22,301
Non-operating/Non-recurring Activity		
Real/Unreal Gains (Losses) on Investments		24,492
Investment Management Fees	(4,200)	(4,508)
Total Non-operating / Non-recurring Activity	\$ (4,200)	\$ 19,984
Net Income (Loss)	\$ 8,543	\$ 42,285

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Unaudited Statement of Net Income (Loss)

	FY 25-26 Budget	FY 24-25 Actual
Operating Activity		
Contribution income	\$ 925,180	\$ 883,642
Investment income used for operations	\$ 74,800	\$ 31,804
Festival/Fundraising income, net	33,000	32,755
Rental income, net	129,050	49,053
Communications/Outreach, net	(2,365)	3,727
Faith formation/Sacramental prep, net	(131,280)	(133,183)
Archdiocesan assessment fee	(93,877)	(71,364)
Investment in Notre Dame Academy	(83,855)	(78,614)
Liturgy/Music/Clergy, net	(282,901)	(262,989)
Operations/Business Office, net	(270,487)	(247,056)
Facilities expense, net	(292,262)	(297,097)
Net operating income (loss)	\$ 5,003	\$ (89,322)
Non-operating/Non-recurring Activity		
Sale of Property/Equipment/Land, net		377,617
Contributed Furn/Equip - Unrestricted		195,617
Renovation/Consolidation expenses		(32,595)
LT Investment/Endowment gains (losses)		249,346
Total Non-operating / Non-recurring Activity	\$ -	\$ 789,985
Net Income (Loss)	\$ 5,003	\$ 700,663

A - Annual endowment grants and planned investment withdrawals.

B - Rental Income budget includes new tenants in Convent.

C - Sale of Property is the gain on the contract for deed/sale of the rectory at Interlachen.

D - Contributed Furn/Equip is the amount that Chesterton Academy paid towards the school HVAC system & new windows, which have been recorded as an asset.

Unaudited Statement of Net Assets

	June 30, 2025	June 30, 2024
Checking and savings	\$ 166,715	\$ 719,636
Prepaid expenses	408,828	287,384
Accounts Receivable/Deferred Revenue	18,421	16,160
Accrued Receivable (IN Rectory sold)	389,419	
Long term investments	4,411,668	4,773,001
Endowments - general and education	940,197	863,798
Buildings, land & equipment, net of depreciation	15,993,104	15,019,881
Net Accounts receivable/(payable)	(41,368)	(63,816)
Parish Net Assets	\$ 22,286,984	\$ 21,616,044

A - The savings account is used to move Renovation Funds from long-term investments to pay renovation bills.

B - Prepaid expenses include renovation payments for work in progress. Once completed, the remaining amounts will be moved to a fixed asset account.

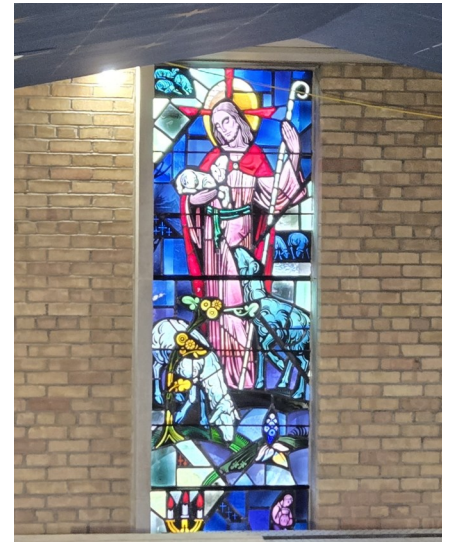
C - The Interlachen Rectory was sold to Kingdom Embassy under a Contract for Deed with payments for 2 years.

D - Long term investments includes remaining proceeds from the Interlachen campus sale.

Renovations

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- Second, our community was impacted by the sudden spike in **immigration** enforcement in Minnesota, especially when a member of our maintenance team was deported. (We miss you, Francisco!) We also saw a drop in attendance at our Spanish Mass as many of our Latino parishioners found themselves afraid to leave their homes. In response, parishioners united in bringing relief to **our Latino families** by preparing and delivering care packages and by other works of mercy, coordinated by parishioner Jennifer Hill and our Latino Ministry Coordinator, Ingrid Inostroza. I feel so proud of all of you, my brothers and sisters, for rising above the rhetoric and showing the world how followers of Jesus love one another. "If one member suffers, all suffer together" (1 Corinthians 12:26).



Renovations

We began renovating our church space last fall. Parish Business Administrator, Lori Thul, did a great job of providing updates on the progress that I shared every week at Mass, and which appeared with pictures in the bulletin and in our weekly Flocknote. I am profoundly grateful for the support that so many of you have given or are giving to these efforts: donations, volunteer work, your patience with our space limitations (esp. for our parish groups), and your prayers for God's blessing on the final result. Celebrating Mass in the social hall (aka "the catacombs") has been an adventure, and I believe it has helped to unite us even more closely as a parish family. I'm so thankful to the parishioners who designed and built the beautiful, raised platform where the altar and tabernacle are located (see photo below). At least one person told me that they'd be happy to keep using that space for Mass indefinitely. For my part, I'm glad that we should be back in the church for Mass the first weekend in May.

My dear friends, thank you for taking a moment with me to consider the Lord's blessings. I rejoice that He has brought us together as a parish family here at St. Gabriel's. God bless!

St. Gabriel the Archangel, pray for us!

—Fr Paul

