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SAINT KATHARINE DREXEL PARISH
End-of-Year Parish Finance Report
[Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2026]

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Good morning/afternoon, everyone. My name is _____, and this is _____. We are members of the **Saint Katharine Drexel Parish Finance Council** consisting of myself (ourselves) along with:

Victor Balaj • James DelRocini • Phaedra Weiler • Tom Feig

Carson Black • Kathy Scott • Ed Puisis

Together with Father Ricky, this council works to ensure that our parish resources are managed with care, transparency, and accountability — always focused on serving the mission of Christ and the needs of His people.

On behalf of **Father Ricky** and the **Saint Katharine Drexel Parish Finance Council**, we are pleased to share with you the good news of what we have accomplished together this past year — through your faith, generosity, and dedication to our parish home.

We are deeply grateful to every parish household that continues to give of their time, talent, and treasure for the good of our community. Because of you, Saint Katharine Drexel Parish remains a vibrant, faith-filled family rooted in **prayer, learning, and service** — the three pillars that guided **Mother Katharine Drexel**, our patron saint.

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Parish Financial Overview

Here is a summary of our parish financial position for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026:

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Category	Amount
Total Assets	$4,466,408.60
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	$4,466,408.60

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Total Income (FY 2025–2026)	$1,745,446.00
Total Expenses (FY 2025–2026)	$1,783,051.00

This year, our net income increased by **$159,518.00**. This is due primarily to the change from QuickBooks to SAGE (a new accounting system the Diocese of Venice implemented) since the Catholic Faith Appeal in SAGE is included in the income calculation.

We continue to manage our resources prudently, ensuring that every dollar you contribute is used wisely to support our parish mission and ministries. This is stewardship in action – your generosity at work.

Completed Parish Projects (for Fiscal Year 2025–2026)

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Because of your financial support and **use of the maintenance envelopes**, we were able to complete the following important repairs and improvements to enhance the safety, beauty, and functionality of our parish campus. Here are a few examples of how we spent your financial support.

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COMPLETED PARISH PROJECTS (for Fiscal Year 2025-2026)

Project	Cost	Description
New Church Roof and New Gutters	**$263,755.00**	**Replaced Original Roof and Gutters**
New Parish Office Roof and Gutters	$24,000.00	Replaced Original Roof and added Gutters
Roof on Faith Formation Buildings	**$1,250.00**	**Repaired Roof and Power washed Faith Formation Buildings**
Church Fire Sprinkler System	$130,750.00	Major Repair of Fire Sprinkler System
New Laser Projector for Religious Education (OCIA)	**$2,233.00**	**Educational Use for OCIA Program**
Two AON Air Conditioner Units	$53,848.00	Replaced in Faith Formation Buildings
SKD Back Drive Way	**$3,190.00**	**Resealed Back Driveway**
Church Air Condition Mini Split Unit	$3,853.00	Replaced one AC Unit
Church Air Condition Unit	$26,152.00	Replaced and Re-piped AC Unit
Rectory Garage Door	$4,299.00	Replaced of Rectory Garage Door
Large TV for Faith Formation Building	$796.00	Replaced TV for Ministries and Apostolates
Two New Computers	$2,397.00	Parish Offices/Departments
Total	**$516,523.00**	

Each of these improvements helps us care for our parish home – the sacred space where we gather to pray, learn, and serve together.

Current and Ongoing Parish Projects

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Now, let us look briefly at current fiscal year projects that were completed and ongoing projects for our parish.

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Projects for Current Fiscal Year 2026 - 2027	**Estimated Cost**
Projects Completed	
Replaced Concrete Church Entry and Portico	$38,172.00
Replaced Church Driveway Circle	**$81,111.00**
Back Church Campus Driveway Swale	$9,625.00
Replaced Church Sanctuary Tracking Lighting	**$1,250.00**
Replaced One Church Ear-Loop System	$5,344.00
Ongoing Projects	
Repair AC Unit in Church	No Estimate
Replace External Church Bell Wiring	**No Estimate**
Replace Two and Purchase Three Automated External Defibrillator	$7,100.00

These are not simply maintenance tasks – they are **acts of stewardship**, ensuring that our parish remains a safe, welcoming, and sacred space for generations to come.

Catholic Faith Appeal (CFA)

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Our **Parish Goal** for the 2026 Catholic Faith Appeal is **$268,000.00**. We collected **$263,467.06** and pledges to date totaling **$273,744.91**, leaving a **shortfall of $4,532.94**.

Here is a beautiful reflection on potential: What if every one of our 5,000+ registered families contribute just $10.00 more a month – about the cost of two cups of coffee a week (at Starbucks) – we could raise over $600,000.00, far exceeding our goal.

Every gift matters. And remember – 100% of funds raised **beyond our goal** come directly back to SKD for parish needs.

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The Life of Our Parish Family

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Here is a glimpse of our growing and faith-filled parish community:

- **Registered Households:** 5,505 (as of June 30, 2026)
- **New Households since June 2026: 114 = 5,619 Catholic Families**
- **Total Number of Catholics (Individuals):** 9,736
- **Children under 18:** 1,303
- **Adults over 65:** 1,626
- **Average Mass Attendance:** 3,759 (Winter) / 2,538 (Summer)

Sacramental Life (Past Year):

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- 45 Baptisms
- 80 First Communions
- 86 Confirmations
- 24 Marriages
- 33 Funerals
- 14 Marriage Annulments Granted

Faith Formation:

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- 498 Religious Education Students
- 71 Youth Group Members
- 49 Students in Catholic Schools

Each of these numbers tells a story of grace – stories of families, faith, and lives being transformed by the love of Christ.

Charitable Outreach

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Through your **Poor Box and Candle Offerings**, **$35,645.14** was shared with those in need through local ministries, including:

- **Saint Vincent de Paul Society – Fort Myers**
- **Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish – Immokalee**
- **Saint Paul Parish / San Juan Diego Mission – Arcadia**

Thank you for living the Gospel by helping our neighbors in need. Your generosity is the face of Christ to others.

A Word from the Heart

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As we reflect on this past year, our hearts overflow with gratitude for you — the members who make up the living heart of our parish. Every prayer you offer, every dollar you give, every act of service you perform helps to build the Body of Christ here at Saint Katharine Drexel.

We are called — and even **challenged** — by the Lord to **live out the spiritual gifts and charisms He has entrusted to each of us**. These gifts are not meant to be hidden, but shared — for the **betterment of our families, our parish family, and our wider Cape Coral community**. When we use our gifts generously, God multiplies them and transforms ordinary moments into extraordinary blessings.

Like **Mother Katharine Drexel**, we are called to be **intentional disciples**, rooted in her three spiritual pillars:

- **PRAYER:** The heartbeat of our parish, keeping us rooted in Christ and open to His will.
- **LEARNING:** Deepening our understanding of the faith, so that we may grow as disciples and witnesses to the Gospel.
- **SERVICE:** Putting our faith into action through love, mercy, and compassion in our homes, parish, and Cape Coral community.

When we live these pillars — when we pray, learn, and serve together — we truly become the living Church: a people of hope, generosity, and joy.

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With Heartfelt Thanks

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On behalf of **Father Ricky** and the **Finance Council**, thank you for your ongoing faith, stewardship, and participation in the life of Saint Katharine Drexel Parish.

If you have any questions, please feel free to speak with a Finance Council member in the **Narthex after Mass**. This full report is also available on our **parish website**, **Flocknote** and in the **weekly bulletin**.

May God bless you and your family abundantly.

Pray • Learn • Serve