

My dear parish family,

I am grateful for our wonderful spirit-filled community committed to justice and action in our world! Last year we had over 800 attend our F.A.I.T.H. Action Assembly. This is a true sign of our commitment to Christ!



Each year at this time I reflect on all God is doing in my life and the life of our parish. Gratefully, we are always growing in deeper love of our Lord as shown in our love for our neighbor. As you can see in this report, we have done a great job in embracing our Mission Statement of "loving the God we cannot see by loving the neighbor we can!" Our expenses continue to increase year over year, but gratefully so does our offertory. We continue to rely on generous donations and bequests to help us come closer to making ends meet—paying our incredible staff, maintaining our large property, helping to support our school, supporting numerous ministries, and providing beautiful liturgies.

In addition to our many ministries and outreach groups, including our Young Families Ministry, Children's Choir, Young Adults Ministry, LGBTQ+ Outreach, Deaf & Hard of Hearing, Divorced, Separated & Remarried Outreach, 50-ish/60-ish/70-ish Connections, African American, Latino, and Pacific Rim Ministries, Golf Connection, Widows/Widowers & Friends Connection, Veterans Outreach, "In His Image" Disabled Connection, and our many support groups, including Divorce Survival, Grief, Caregiver, Addiction, and Anxiety & Depression Support, we have also begun many intergenerational groups like Worship & Waffles, Together We Pray, and Dinner Church. All these groups have helped people connect and feel a sense of belonging to the Body of Christ at Lourdes!

Our Impact Report is intended to provide you with a basic overview and accountability of how Our Lady of Lourdes has been living our Mission. Our faith cannot be quantified and the call to ministry lies in the hearts of God's people, but when we "connect," we gain a sense of belonging to the living power of Christ in our world. I know that our parish changes lives, especially those of our children in our amazing Catholic School, and we help people grow in their call to holiness. I am very grateful to be part of this faith community and I thank you for your continued support and prayers as we strive to build the Kingdom of God together.

With love,
Fr. Phil

