

2000 Parish Report

Moving forward...together



St. Clement Church
Chicago, Illinois

Looking back on a successful year

Reflecting on 2000

Dear Fellow Parishioners,

St. Clement parish was blessed in so many ways in the year 2000. As parishioners, we shared your energy, time, skills and commitment with our church. Together, we made a difference in our life's and those of others.

The parish report outlines our financial history in the past year. Not only does it include the general income and expenses for the church and school, but also the results of our capital campaign, *Anchored in Faith*.

Together we start the year 2001 with much to look forward to. The chapel renovation has begun, plans for the school and parish center expansion are underway and our many ministries are alive and well. We are thankful for the many people who have helped to make these dreams become a reality and to the parish at large for the sacrifices you have made. Our parish will continue to grow because of your hard work and the grace of God.

Best wishes in the new year!

The St. Clement Parish Council

together we...

educate and guide our parish children

extend our hand to the sick, grief-stricken,
and impoverished

discover and cultivate the talents of our parish

welcome and nurture the diversity in
our parish community

set goals and work to make them a reality

give thanks and praise to Our Lord, Jesus Christ

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Statement of Operations

St. Clement Parish

	1998-99	1999-2000
Income		
Sunday	\$1,091,615	\$1,278,540
Christmas	\$98,648	\$93,443
Easter	\$70,935	\$62,587
Fundraising	\$70,197	\$110,756
Stipends from Baptisms, Weddings & Funerals	\$66,962	\$65,735
Rent & Other Income	\$48,826	\$43,818
Anchors Aweigh Donations	\$6,088	\$19,450
Extraordinary Gifts	\$76,711	\$50,288
Total	\$1,529,983	\$1,724,616
Expenses		
Ministry		
Staff	\$136,705	\$181,796
Liturgy/Music	\$33,918	\$48,193
Parish Ministries	\$32,122	\$35,520
Business		
Staff	\$239,991	\$254,252
General Office	\$81,170	\$93,651
Technology	\$25,789	\$42,179
Insurance	\$17,396	\$17,328
Building		
Staff	\$83,324	\$77,653
Maintenance/Utilities	\$120,127	\$126,641
Rectory	\$36,235	\$35,350
Subsidy		
Parish School	\$231,700	\$246,200
Religious Education	\$52,606	\$54,777
Archdiocesan Assessment	\$150,389	\$164,007
Debt Retirement (Principal)	\$65,509	\$372,685
Interest	\$21,097	\$10,352
Total	\$1,328,078	\$1,760,583
Surplus (Deficit)	\$201,905	(\$35,967)

Statement of Operations

St. Clement School

	1999-2000
Income	
Tuition and Fees	\$916,658
Parish Support	\$246,200
After School Net	
Fundraising – H.S.A.	\$157,000
Fundraising – E.R.F.	\$73,962
Rents and Others	\$31,892
Total Income	\$1,425,712
Expenses	
Salaries and Benefits	\$1,064,941
Educational Supplies	\$91,094
Building Maintenance/Utilities	\$137,626
Administration	\$42,154
Technology	\$22,891
Capital Improvements	\$66,336
Total Expenses	\$1,425,133
Net	\$580
Reserves	
School Enrollment	294
Parishioner Tuition and Book Fees for one child	\$3,200

St. Clement School has continued to flourish during the past year under the guidance of Principal Regina Crowley.

New this year was a transition to a full-day kindergarten class beginning in September instead of January. This is helping to ensure a smooth transition to the challenges of first grade. The two-teacher first grade continues to provide children in this critical primary year with individual attention and small-group opportunities.

The Spanish program is proving to be extremely successful, with all grades from pre-k to eighth receiving daily Spanish instruction. The Christmas Concert was enriched by the addition of Spanish carols.

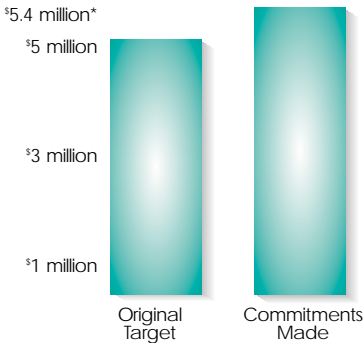
The traditional eighth grade trip was to Washington, D.C. and was very successful. It combined education and fun and provided our graduates with wonderful closing memories of their grade school years.

Long-range planning is focused on the increasing demand for a St. Clement elementary school education for our parishioners and how best to meet the needs of increased enrollment while also continuing to reduce the student/teacher ratio.

Capital Campaign 2000

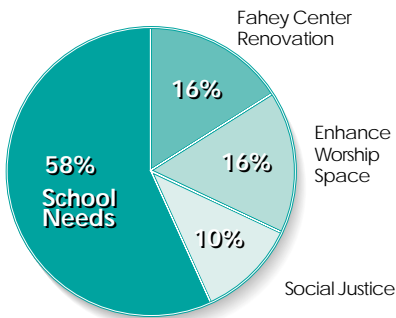
Anchored in Faith

Campaign Results



*550 Households contributed to this amount.

Parish Plans



Past experience teaches that while the amount of pledges now exceeds \$5 million, we still need additional pledges to actually collect that amount. We encourage anyone who wishes to participate in the campaign to contact the Stewardship and Development office at 773.281.0371. Every contribution is appreciated.

Ensuring Our Future

In the summer of 2000, St. Clement Parish launched an historic capital campaign to prepare for the future. Hundreds of parishioners volunteered their time and talent to make this a successful effort. Response was enthusiastic to meet the needs of the future. We set a target to raise \$5 million over three years. Current pledges total \$5.4 million. We are continuing to seek additional pledges to ensure that we raise the amount of our target goal.



Campaign proceeds were allocated to four important areas:

- **Worship space renovation** – enhancing the chapel space and addressing maintenance needs in the upstairs church.
- **Parish Center renovation** – creating more meeting/office space for parishioners and staff.
- **School improvements** – increasing school capacity to increase enrollment and reduce class size.
- **Social programs** – Assist with important projects that help the less fortunate, an on-going commitment of St. Clement parishioners.

“Ask and it will be given to you”

Followers of Christ

We at St. Clement have much to be thankful for. Through your love and generosity we continue to grow as stewards and to make a difference in our parish, our neighborhood and the lives of others. As we move forward into the 21st century let us not forget that all we have is from the grace of the Lord.

We give the sacrificial gift of ourselves far beyond our monetary gifts. We are stewards when we welcome a stranger, speak for the oppressed, console those who are suffering, feed the poor or comfort those who are sick.

Not only are we asked to be God's stewards, but we are also deserving of his unconditional love and the blessings of our parish community. When you find yourself in need of support do not be afraid to ask for help. It is at these times that our community wishes to extend its assistance to comfort your sorrow, lend an ear to listen, pray for your family. Giving when we are able and opening our hearts to God's love in our times of need, this brings the meaning of stewardship full circle.