Protection of the Virgin Mary Orthodox Church 8600 Grand Blvd. Merrillville, IN 46410

> Annual Reports Meeting to be held February 13, 2022



Fr. Jacob Van Sickle, Rector

# Protection of the Virgin Mary Orthodox Church Annual Meeting 2022 - Agenda

- I. Opening Prayer
- II. Credentials Report
- III. Revise/Accept 2021 meeting minutes

### IV. Reports

- A. Rector
- B. President
- C. Treasurer
- D. Organizations and Committees

### V. Elections

- A. Parish Council
- B. Reviewers
- C. All-American Council lay delegate
- VI. Budget Approval
- VII. Old Business
- VIII. New Business
- IX. Adjournment
- X. Closing Prayer

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Annual Meeting Minutes – February 14, 2021

Opening Prayer at 1135am directly after Divine Liturgy in the Nave.

Quorum was established with 17 signed members and 12 mail in ballots.

Reports stand as submitted and audited by Sergei Ely, Nick Korzow and Adam Erpelding.

2020 Annual Meeting Minutes were accepted as stated. Linda Svirha made motion to accept and Adam Erpelding 2<sup>nd</sup>. All accepted.

Elections:

- Parish Council -
  - Adam Erpelding to serve as Secretary
  - Council suggested that Starlene Eaten to be moved to member at large, as per by-laws, only one alternate needed
  - Janice Barancyk made motion to accept parish council as nominated, Helen Campbell 2<sup>nd</sup> motion. All in favor except for Nick Rozdelsky.
- Reviewers/Auditors
  - Adam Erpelding is out
  - Sherry Mizimakoski is in
  - Nick Korzow to remain
  - Valerie McMullen to join
  - All approved
- Lay Delegate
  - Fr. Jacob nominated Mike Gruzcyk, Claudia 2<sup>nd</sup> motion and all approved

Budget Approval – Fr. Jacob noted that Deacon Gregory departed in 2020 and left a portion of his estate to the church. This is the \$21,000 bequest noted as income. Janice Barancyk moved to accept and Lara Richards 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, all approved.

Adjournment and closing prayer by Fr. Jacob at 11:51am.

Respectfully Submitted,

Elizabeth Pedersen

## Rector's Report January 2022

Dear Faithful,

We have endured another year dictated in many ways by the pandemic. Covid continues to threaten us. Besides the actual disease, which has taken many of our loved ones, the ongoing political strife over how to "handle" the disease is itself a crisis cutting to the heart of our society. And yet, even in the midst of the ongoing chaos in the world, our prayer this time last year for "a more joyful 2021" was surely answered. Our parish is thriving. Services are essentially back to normal. For most of this year, we have been able to enjoy fellowship together at coffee hour, Faith Enrichment, and our annual celebrations at Pascha, the anniversary dinner, and the Christmas Yolka. We have welcomed new families to our membership, and we continue to add beautiful new iconography to our Nave. Most importantly, we have continued to love each other and have not allowed the divisions and bitterness in the world to infect our communion with one another in Christ.

Of course, not everything is back to normal. And here I want to make plain to everyone something that I have seen happen to this parish over the last two years of the pandemic. Perhaps you have noticed the same things. The first is a dramatic change in our membership. Not everyone has come back to Church. Many that we used to see regularly have slipped away. Please pray for them. It is a fearful thing to be adrift in the world, especially in these times. Meanwhile, several new families have joined us in the last two years and become integral to our community. They are attending weekday services, Bible Study and Faith Enrichment; they are also teaching Sunday School and running our bookstore. If you have not done so yet, please make a point of getting to know the new faces around you.

Another change I have seen is an increase in commitment among those who are here. This is manifest in a few different, measurable ways. For example, even though our average Sunday attendance has still not recovered to what it was before the pandemic, the number of those who receive communion each Sunday is higher. Also, I am hearing more confessions than before, especially outside of Great Lent. And our treasurer recently remarked to me that the number of stewards (those who give to the Church on a regular basis and are assigned a numbered box of envelopes for their giving) has declined in each of the last two years, but in both those years we also saw a marked increase in total giving. In essence, the pandemic has made us a smaller but more active and committed community. And this is not only because our new members tend to be more engaged. I have seen many of you return to Church after the shut-down with a renewed sense of the importance of your faith. The pandemic has done and continues to do what all true crises do: It is testing us, revealing the hidden things of our hearts. Who are we really? What do we want for ourselves? Where do we belong? I *do not* mean to suggest that those of us who remain are better people than those whom we have not seen in a while. Speaking for myself, the onset of the pandemic brought out the worst in me. And, in doing so, it renewed my awareness of my need for God and for the life of His Church. I expect I am not the only one who has felt this way at some point over the past two years. We are not here because we are holy. We are here because we know we are not holy, but we want to be.

None of us becomes holy on our own. We require the communion of our brothers and sisters encouraging one another and collaborating with various gifts toward our common goal. With this in mind, I look forward this year to restoring some opportunities for fellowship lost in the pandemic and establishing new ones. We need to put coffee hour back onto a reliable rotation. We are also looking to restart both the Ladies' Sodality and the women's book group this year, perhaps after Pascha. I have a few gentlemen interested in starting a men's group, and I am anxious to see what comes of that. The parish council has already approved in principle holding a summer picnic (details forthcoming), and the Church School is planning some new outings for the year.

Finally, I want to thank all of you for your ongoing commitment to Christ and to this parish of His Church in particular. For your prayers for me, my family, and this church, thank you. Thank you to our parish council, to our Church School teachers, to our choir directors, to those who head the various ministries and committees of this parish (who are named throughout these reports). God bless you, and grant you many, many years!

In Christ,

Fr Jacob Van Sickle

### 2021 PRESIDENT'S REPORT

2021 was another good year for PTVM even with the on-going Pandemic and its effects on parish life and on the lives of our parish family.

In addition to the regular and routine maintenance of the complex which I regularly oversee; the following was accomplished in 2021: New security cameras were installed primarily on the exterior of the facility and the furnace was replaced above the Altar servers work room.

After Pascha, a group of approximately 20 of us enjoyed the rides at Great America. It was a great time! Even though we came home exhausted by a day of thrills and excitement!

His Eminence, Archbishop Paul was present for our Patron Saint Day celebration as was Father Peter & Matushka Cynthia Bodnar. Actually our parish was blessed with a dual celebration - our 110th anniversary and our own Father Peter was awarded a Synodal Gramota by the Holy Synod of Bishops. Many years to both Father Peter and Matushka Cynthia! What a joyous celebration this was!

We were once again able to shop for needy kids from the Ross Township Trustee's office. St Nicholas showed up to see our kids helping to wrap the presents.

I would be remiss if I didn't thank our people who regularly go above and beyond the call of duty:

Our Bake Sale Ladies who bake the traditional delicacies which we all enjoy! Rather than taking the chance of omitting someone, I will not try to list them. It takes a great team to do what they do.

Rich & Linda Svihra and Lara Richards who spearhead our Annual Golf Outing.

Lara Richards who handles our Scrip Program each and every Sunday.

Nada Buczek for assistance handling our Angel Tree for the needy.

Our Church School Teachers - Liz Wysocki and Erin Gray for preparing our Sunday School curriculum for our kids each and every week.

Tiffany O'Day who has brought a breath of fresh air and new ideas to our Bookstore as the Bookstore Manager.

Sergei Ely for stepping up and assisting the parish from his business, Festive Foods and also for his positive attitude whenever approached for

events, etc.

I enjoy the camaraderie and fellowship working together with Mike Gruszyk, Father Jacob, Nada Buczek and Lesley Erpelding.

My loving and supportive husband Nick for his constant understanding and support of me as I spend countless hours at the church complex.

On a sad note, we were all shocked, stunned, and saddened by the sudden and unexpected passing of Tresja Denysenko, Deacon Nicholas's wife, who died while in Haiti on a humanitarian relief effort following the earthquake. May her Memory Be Eternal! We were also saddened by the unexpected passing of

Father Stacey Richter, Pastor of our sister Church, St. Elizabeth in Chesterton, In. May his Memory Be Eternal!

I am entering my final year as your Parish Council President, due to term limitations, I will be off the Parish Council next year, which will make my husband very happy! I am starting now to seek out a replacement. If anyone is interested, please let me know.

With Love in Christ Our Lord,

Respectfully Submitted,

Muli ly Rozdelsky Melody J. Rozdelsky Parish Council President

### Protection of the Virgin Mary Orthodox Church

#### Income and Expense Statement

Year End 2021

	Year to Date	Annual Budget	YTD Budge Difference
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CONTRIBUTION INCOME			
UNRESTRICTED			
Contribution Income	\$460 DCA 44	4 47 425 00	12 020 4
Stewardship-Weekly	\$160,364.44	147,435.00	-12,929.44
Investment Gift Beguest	7,537.25 21,009.00	0.00 21,000.00	-7,537.25 -9.00
Subtotal Contribution Income	188,910.69	168,435.00	-20,475.69
Other Income	100,510.05	100,435.00	-20,475.03
Anniversary Dinner	952.00	0.00	-952.00
Bake Sale	4,849.00	3,500.00	-1,349.00
Candles & Vigils	4,886.00	5,000.00	114.00
Hall Proceeds	11,218.00	6,000.00	-5,218.00
Golf Outing	9,600.00	10,000.00	400.00
Flowers	560.00	300.00	-260.00
Scrip Program Donation	1,000.00	400.00	-600.00
Bookstore Income	1,879.00	600.00	-1,279.00
PTC/Pop Machine	-25.95	0.00	25.95
Amazon Smile	107.42	0.00	-107.42
Subtotal Other Income	35,025.47	25,800.00	-9,225.47
Subtotal Unrestricted	223,936.16	194,235.00	-29,701.16
Temporarily Restricted			
Icon Fund Income	25,100.00	0.00	-25,100.00
Father's Wish List	825.00	0.00	-825.00
Building Projects Income	11,349.50	0.00	-11,349.50
Subtotal Temporarily Restricted	37,274.50	0.00	-37,274.50
Subtotal Donor Restricted	37,274.50	0.00	-37,274.50
Subtotal Contribution Income	261,210.66	194,235.00	-66,975.66
INTEREST INCOME			
Banking Interest	5.77	0.00	-5.77
Investment Interest	2,651.44	0.00	-2,651.44
Investment Gain/Loss	2,358.71	0.00	-2,358.71
Subtotal Interest Income	5,015.92	0.00	-5,015.92
MISCELLANEOUS INCOME			
Miscellaneous Income	0.00	0.00	0.00
		0.00	0.00
Subtotal Miscellaneous Income	0.00		
	0.00 <b>266,226.58</b>	194,235.00	-71,991.58
TOTAL INCOME		194,235.00	-71,991.58
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TOTAL INCOME EXPENSES FIXED EXPENSES CLERGY EXPENSES Salary Housing	<b>266,226.58</b> 29,902.05	29,848.00	-54.09 0.00 -0.12
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### Protection of the Virgin Mary Orthodox Church

Income and Expense Statement

Year End 2021

	Year to Date	Annual Budget	YTD Budget Difference
INSURANCE			
Church/Cemetery Insurance	9,481.00	8,000.00	-1,481.00
Subtotal Insurance UTILITIES	9,481.00	8,000.00	-1,481.00
NIPSCO-gas/electric	17,043.53	16,000.00	-1,043.53
Septic: Beebe	2,100.00	2,100.00	0.00
Garbage: Star	1,790.63	1,700.00	-90.63
Well Maintenance-Sheehy	400.00	350.00	-50.00
Alarm System	1,402.40	770.00	-632.40
Pest Control	975.00	1,100.00	125.00
Subtotal Utilities	23,711.56	22,020.00	-1,691.56
BUILDING MAINTENANCE			
Mechan. Concepts Contract	1,250.00	1,250.00	0.00
Janitorial Supplies	764.50	700.00	-64.50
Cleaning Service	6,260.00	6,640.00	380.00
Repairs/Maintenance	15,433.11	20,000.00	4,566.89
Merrillville Storm Water	502.20	486.00	-16.20
Subtotal Building Maintenance GROUNDS MAINTENANCE	24,209.81	29,076.00	4,866.19
Landscaping	376.68	0.00	-376.68
Lawn Service	2,175.00	2,200.00	25.00
Snow Removal	9,872.50	6,500.00	-3,372.50
Subtotal Grounds Maintenance	12,424.18	8,700.00	-3,724.18
YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL			
Supplies	0.00	300.00	300.00
Subtotal Youth Sunday School RECREATION	0.00	300.00	300.00
Fellowship Meals	960.00	500.00	-460.00
MINISTRY EXPENSE			
Candles and Vigils	2,489.96	3,000.00	510.04
Flowers/Gifts	799.90	1,000.00	200.10
Cannonical Visits	157.92	400.00	242.08
Liturgical Supplies	1,085.65	700.00	-385.65
Electronic Eqpt/Repairs	548.88	1,000.00	451.12
Books & Literature	0.00	100.00	100.00
Iconography	37,000.00	0.00	-37,000.00
Subtotal Ministry Expense	42,082.31	6,200.00	-35,882.31
Subtotal Fixed Expenses	206,098.10	169,896.00	-36,202.10
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OTHER EXPENSES			
Diocesan Assessments	40.076.04	24 420 00	1 702 00
Assessments- monthly	19,376.94	21,139.00	1,762.06
Chicago Deanery - annual PTVM Hall	0.00	100.00	100.00
Hall Manager Commission	2,804.50	1,500.00	-1,304.50
Hall Manager Auto Expense	1,100.00	1,200.00	100.00
Conventions & Seminars			
Assembly Expenses	656.16	400.00	-256.16
Miscellaneous Expenses			
Miscellaneous Expense	149.56	0.00	-149.56
Subtotal Other Expenses	24,087.16	24,339.00	251.84
AL EXPENSES	230,185.26	194,235.00	-35,950.26
		0.00	36,041.32

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	Current Year
ASSETS	
BANK ACCOUNTS	
CHECKING ACCOUNTS	
Checking General 4684	\$31,780.92
Seminarian Fund 5629	4,718.74
Subtotal Checking Accounts	36,499.66
SAVINGS ACCOUNTS	
Savings - Building Fund	74,561.17
Subtotal Bank Accounts	111,060.83
INVESTMENTS	
Stifel Brokerage	70,409.44
FIXED ASSETS	
BUILDINGS	
Land and Buildings	1,801,326.72
EQUIPMENT	
Furniture and Equipment	44,314.00
Subtotal Fixed Assets	1,845,640.72
TOTAL ASSETS	\$2,027,110.99
LIABILITIES	
CURRENT LIABILITIES	
PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	
TAXES PAYABLE	
Federal Taxes Payable	\$498.00
State Taxes Payable	431.40
Local Taxes Payable	200.40
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Subtotal Taxes Payable	1,129.80
OTHER DEDUCTIONS	005.40
Retirement Withheld	285.13
Subtotal Payroll Deductions	1,414.93
OTHER CURRENT LIABILITIES	
Alms and Outreach	1,015.00
PTC Popular Payabla	588.88 384.76
Pension Payable Subtotal Other Current Liabilities	
	1,988.64
Subtotal Current Liabilities	3,403.57
TOTAL LIABILITIES	3,403.57
NET ASSETS	
UNRESTRICTED	
Unrestricted Net Assets	\$1,954,341.57
DONOR RESTRICTED	
TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED	
Icon Fund	7,683.06

#### Protection of the Virgin Mary Orthodox Church Balance Sheet Consolidated - December 2021

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	Current Year
Father's Wish List	225.60
Special Building Projects	61,457.19
Subtotal Temporarily Restricted	69,365.85
Subtotal Donor Restricted	69,365.85
TOTAL NET ASSETS	2,023,707.42
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$2,027,110.99

## SAINT MARY'S RUSSIAN ORTHODOX CEMETERY 2021 report

2021 was a good year in that we had no burials. Also, we have a new fence along Ridge Road. The bad part is that we had no income. We had a few donations, which helped, but we still ran a deficit. We need donations, so we don't have to use money from the perpetual care fund. Please donate. This is your cemetery. We do not know how fortunate we are to have a cemetery, which is concentrated ground. We all should take pride in what we have. Also, if we could get volunteers to maintain the cemetery, it would help financially.

William Romanchek

# 2021 CEMETERY REPORT

**Beginning Balance** 

\$29,331.84

\$3700.00 Income \$1800 2020 Grave opening/closing, \$300 Donation for 2020 Burial, \$1600 Donations

\$6817.12 Expense (\$600 Depper, Zepeda \$1120, Lambert \$2080, \$3000 balance on Fence, \$17.12 checks)

**Ending Balance** 

\$26,214.72

\$270 Transferred into account by mistake in 2021put back in correct account 2022

Respectfully Submitted,

Melody J Rozdelsky Parish Council President 2021 Choir Director's Annual Report Protection of the Virgin Mary Orthodox Church Submitted by: Matt Wells

January 15, 2022

Glory to Jesus Christ!

We made it though another tumultuous year. I offer heartfelt thanks to our dedicated parish choir members who have continued to serve in spite of challenging circumstances – their efforts have brought much joy and light through liturgical music to all of us, and given glory to the One who is constant and unchanging in a world that is anything but. During 2021, our choir served at regular Sunday liturgies, Great Vespers on Saturdays, festal services, and panikhidas and baptisms & chrismations. I am especially grateful for Mary Ann Bertram's tireless service in handling weekday services and many weekends where I have been unavailable due to work obligations. Matushka Jenna has also been a "rock" in covering many services as well, usually while juggling many other responsibilities.

In 2022, we will resume weekly choir rehearsals and encourage anyone who is interested in joining the choir to attend. We will hold a brief rehearsal (45 min) after coffee hour on Sundays to begin adding additional music to our weekly rotation, beginning on January 23. We'd love to hear a few more voices in the choir on a regular basis, so please do join us if you feel so inclined!

On behalf of the St. Mary's parish choir, I wish everyone a blessed year ahead, and pray that the choir's musical service to the parish brings edification to all, as continue to follow St. Paul's exhortation to "speak to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord." (Ephesians 5:19).

Christ is in our midst!

# 2021 CHOIR REPORT

Beginning Balance 1/1/21	\$1416.54
Dormant Account Fee	5.00
Balance	\$1411.54
Deposit Funeral	50.00
Balance	\$1461.54
Ending Balance 12/31/21	\$1461.54
Respectfully Submitted,	
Janice Barancyk	
Treasurer	

Protection of the Virgin Mary Sunday School

January 12, 2022

# Dearest Congregation,

### **Christ is Born! Glorify Him!**

Our classes have been a hive of activity for both our students and teachers. We have still been focused on the Old Testament exploring the life and death of Moses, a celebration of special holidays, Saints, Feasts, and Fasts in both of our classrooms with more of an emphasis of learning about the Saints in our second-level room which is now taught by Erin Grey.

This year we have continued to organize and cultivate the best learning environments for our children and our teachers. Take a look at what we have been up to:

- Formally created and categorized our children's library. Check out what's available by clicking on the **Church School** tab on our PTVM website (Many thanks for the donations of these books from members of our congregation)!
- Purchased a collection of "Snuggly Saints" available to check out for our youngest parishoners. See out what's available by clicking on the **Church School** tab on our PTVM website.
- Purchased a collection of felt Orthodox learning sets to help teach our children about important icons, feasts, and practices of our church. Check out what's available by clicking on the **Church School** tab on our PTVM website.
- Automated the Church School registration process.
- Hosted "Back-to-School" Fall, and St. Nicholas Day events.
- Performed the yearly Yolka with sing-along Christmas Carols.

We currently have approximately 20 students on the roster with an average attendance of 10 students each Sunday. We were able to have a sing-along Yolka with our students this year as we continued to navigate the Pandemic. We would also like to thank everyone that helped us prepare the children and our Yolka this year.

If you would be interested in subbing or helping with Sunday School please let Elizabeth or Erin know. We look forward to a happy and healthy New (School) Year and would like to thank you all for your continued love and support of our children.

Love in Christ,~

Elizabeth Wysocki

### **ORTHODOX CENTER REPORT 2021**

"You have a real gem here. Neat, clean, inviting and refreshing!" These are just a few of the comments from our renters referring to our Orthodox Center. Many of our rentals were repeat clients, who had attended an event at our facility previously. It was a pleasure to serve as your Orthodox Center Manager for more or less the last four years. However, having a full - time job and then being at the Hall most Saturdays, left very little time to be with my family. The vast majority of our rentals were on Saturdays, with a few Sunday afternoon events also. For the most part, there was very little usage during the week with the exception being Champion Force Athletics and kitchen usage with Festive Foods. We never had any problems at any rentals, because we utilized a veteran staff of bartenders and always felt secure with Merrillville PD present at all events where alcohol was being served.

2021 offered new challenges due to the pandemic, yet the Orthodox Center was still able to generate income in excess of \$ 11,000 to the parish budget, in addition to paying for needed cleaning supplies and paper products.

Unfortunately, my replacement didn't work out and actually caused several problems and lost income : i.e.Champion Force account was lost due to being unresponsive to their request to return. Additionally, our long-time Orthodox Center cleaning person was let go so a personal friend could be hired. This didn't last two weeks! The Hall Committee and the Parish Council worked to resolve this issue and we no longer have a hall manager. We are currently taking a step back on actively searching out rentals. We will still rent out to parishioners and repeat clients. It is our hope that in the future, we can open things back up and have more rentals.

Respectfully submitted,

Nick Rozdelsky

# **2021 ORTHODOX CENTER FINANCIAL REPORT**

Beginning Balance \$848.91 12/30/20 Office Depot \$22.99 cleared on 1/4/21

**Total income \$14818.00** 

Expense Advertising \$1281.00 Cleaning Total \$2849.75 (Kallye \$2100, Jamie \$150, Dee Dee 299.75, Carol \$300) Donation to church 11,218.00

Ending Balance \$295.17

**Respectfully Submitted,** 

Melody J Rozdelsky

Melody J Rozdelsky Parish Council President

# St. Clement's Report

## 2021

January 18, 2022

Glory to God for All Things!!

We were able to host two bake sales in 2021.

- Pascha Bake Sale = \$1521 deposited to PTVM General Fund
- Thanksgiving Bake Sale = \$2500 deposited to PTVM General Fund

Balances with Centier:

- Checking account balance of \$29,507
  - \$21,000 towards Iconography
  - o \$1000 donation
  - o \$125 to Golf Outing
  - o \$30 lockbox fees
- CD Balance \$230,445

**Respectfully Submitted,** 

Elizabeth Pedersen 219.365.6360

#### O CLUB

#### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

#### HIGHLIGHTS OF 2021

THE O CLUB FOCUSED ON OUTREACH LAST YEAR. WE PARTICIPATED TWICE IN FEED THE FLOCK. WE ARE MAKING PLANS FOR THE UPCOMING TRIVIA NIGHT IN FEBRUARY.

WE ARE IN CHARGE OF COFFEE HOUR. ALL ARE WELCOME TO VOLUNTEER FOR A COFFEE HOUR. SEE MARY ANN BERTRAM IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN SIGNING UP. IT WOULD BE MUCH APPRECIATED.

WE MADE A BEREAVEMENT GIFT OF \$2000 TO OUR DN NICHOLAS TO HELP WITH HIS WIFE'S FUNERAL EXPENSES.

FOR CHRISTMAS, WE BOUGHT GIFTS FOR FAMILIES IN NEED THROUGH THE ROSS TOWNSHIP. AND WE DECORATED THE CHURCH.

OUR MEMBERSHIP GREW WITH THE ADDITION OF MIKE GRUSZYK AND ROY CAMPBELL

MOVING INTO 2022, WE ARE GOING TO CONTINUE WITH OUR OUTREACH EFFORTS. PLEASE CONSIDER JOINING US. MEETINGS ARE HELD THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH AND ARE OPEN TO EVERYONE

I WISH TO THANK ALL O CLUB MEMBERS AND PARISHIONERS FOR THEIR HELP THIS PAST YEAR. TOGETHER WE CAN BE BETTER!

**RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED** 

JANICE BARANCYK

PRESIDENT

# O Club Treasurer's Report 2021

Beginning Balar	nce:		\$4692.23
Income:			
	Alms		\$3207.50
	Coffee Hour		\$587.00
	Dues		\$110.00
		Total:	\$3904.50
Disbursements:			<b>.</b>
	Coffee Hour Supplies		\$247.53
	Donations		\$400.00
	Benevolence		\$3600.00
	Feed the Flock		\$330.84
	Sunday School Picnic		\$69.33
	PTC Christmas Gifts		\$250.00
		Total:	\$4897.70

## December 31st 2021-Ending Balance

\$3699.03

 SODALITY ANNUAL MEETING REPORT 2021

 SPIRITUAL ADVISOR – FR. JACOB VAN SICKLE

 PRESIDENT – MARY ANN BERTRAM
 SECRETARY – JANET ANDRUS

 VICE PRESIDENT – LINDA SVIHRA
 TREASURER – HELEN CAMPBELL

 GLORY TO JESUS CHRIST!
 GLORY FOREVER!

Our last meeting was held on August 10, 2021. Father Jacob was in attendance along with three members. Since this couldn't be considered an official meeting with lack of a quorum, we discussed things that were on our mind about the future of holding meetings and events.

It was obvious to us that the Covid was not going to go away soon, as we had hoped. Therefore, we thought we would have a wait and see attitude as to which, if any of our planned projects could be accomplished.

The first thing we knew we would have to do, though most unfortunate, was to discontinue visiting our shut-ins, for obvious reasons.

As for the other projects planned, we would decide as the dates came closer to see if there might be a way to still do them. As it turned out, with the relentless virus continuing, illnesses and fear, none of them was accomplished. We had hoped we could at least continue our newest project of sending out Christmas Cards to our congregation as we had the past two years. There just weren't enough members who were able to come together and address the envelopes, put on the stamps, and do all the things necessary to get this project completed, and we are sorry for that.

We were also sorry that two of our long-time faithful members have moved away. Dorothy Kaletta, to Florida, and Olga Puskos, to West Lafayette. The good news is that they can and have visited us on several occasions already! They assure us that they will continue to do so.

As dreary as my report sounds, I'm happy I could end on a positive note about Dorothy and Olga.

As bad as things may seem, I remember God's constant reminder to us all, that He loves and cares for us. Always.

With love in Christ,

Mary ann

**Mary Ann Bertram** 

St. Margo Sodality 2021 Bollance brought forward: 2108.08 Income: 0 Respussements: Salf outing sign 125. Dandrus-pastage 47.85 R. Srihre gift baskets and 110 th nniversary flowers 141,47 Testal disbursements' 314,32 - 314,32\_ 1793,76 Bespectfully submitted : Stylen alamphel reasurer

### PROTECTION OF THE VIRGIN MARY ORTHODOX CHURCH 2021 GOLF OUTING FINANCIAL REPORT

INCOME	
Beginning Balance	345.58
52 Golfers @ \$85	\$5,950.00
32 Sponsors @ \$125	4,000.00
Donors	1,725.00
50/50 Raffle	344.00
<b>Donation 50150 Raffle</b>	250.00
<b>Beverage Cart Tips</b>	445.00
Circle Game	400.00
Bar Proceeds	198.00
Banquet Tickets	60.00
Lamb Refund	234.00
YMCA Silent Auction	<u>200.00</u>
INCOME	<u>14,151.58</u>

EXPENSES

Summertree Golf Club	· · · ·
70 Golfers @ \$38 + 2 carts at \$25	\$2,710.00
Hobart Meat Locker-Lamb	467.48
Chef Nicks Eatery (Chicken)	142.98
Quality Impressions (Signage)	219.00
Beverages	165.00
Decorations	255.00
Hole In One Insurance	150.00
Scrip	100.00

#### **TOTAL EXPENSES**

### \$4,209.46

#### **NET PROFIT**

\$9,942.12\*

\*9,600 of this amount transferred to the Building Fund

Respectfully submitted,

Rich Svihra, Financial Chairman Golf Committee

#### 2021 SCRIP PROGRAM REPORT

#### INCOME FROM SALE OF CERTIFICATES:

JANUARY	\$2,613.15	JULY	\$3,334.50
FEBRUARY	\$2,698.10	AUGUST	\$7,065.00
MARCH	\$5,935.00	SEPTEMBER	\$6,208.50
APRIL	\$4,755.25	OCTOBER	\$2,448.20
MAY	\$3,585.00	NOVEMBER	\$7,505.00
JUNE	\$4,635.00	DECEMBER	\$7,823.55

#### EXPENDITURES: PURCHASE OF CERTIFICATES:

JANUARY	\$2,596.20	JULY	\$5,708.21
FEBRUARY	\$2,697.88	AUGUST	\$4,994.59
MARCH	\$4,525.20	SEPTEMBER	\$4,728.67
APRIL	\$6,481.33	OCTOBER	\$5,164.24
MAY	\$3,150.42	NOVEMBER	\$5,178.59
JUNE	\$3,862.58	DECEMBER	\$8,780.37

TOTAL SALES: \$58,606.25 TOTAL EXPENDITURES: \$57,868.28 \$1000.00 DONATED TO CHURCH ON 12/26/21 ENDING ACCOUNT BALANCE ON 12/31/21: \$3,390.87

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

Lara Richard

LARA RICHARDS

February 13, 2022

Glory to God!

We, the Review Committee, have reviewed the Treasurer's Report from the following PTVM organizations: The General Operating Fund, Golf Outing, St. Clement, Rozdelsky Fund, Building Fund, Cemetery Fund, Script, Hall, Choir, and St. Mary's Sodality.

Mike Gruszyk, PTVM's treasurer, was available to answer the few questions we had regarding these report. We are pleased to announce that there are no discrepancies in the reports.

Thank you to each and every organization treasurer for your continued hard work.

Respectfully submitted,

Nick Korzow

Rich Svihra

Sherry Mizimakoski

### Protection of the Virgin Mary Orthodox Church 2022 Operational Budget

GENERAL FUND	2022 Budget
CONTRIBUTION INCOME Stewardship	162 010 00
Bookstore Donation	162,818.00
Subtotal Contribution Income	<u> </u>
Subtotal Contribution Income	103,508.00
OTHER INCOME	
Bake Sale	5,000.00
Candles & Vigils	6,000.00
Hall Proceeds	2,000.00
Golf Outing	10,000.00
Flowers	400.00
Scrip Program Donation	1,000.00
Bookstore Income	1,750.00
Subtotal Other Income	26,150.00
TOTAL INCOME	189,718.00
EXPENSES FIXED EXPENSES CLERGY EXPENSES	
Salary	32,503.00
Housing	29,100.00
Church Paid Pension	6,160.00
Health Insurance	1,680.00
Supply Priest	860.00
Auto Expenses	1,200.00
Life Insurance Subtotal Clergy Expenses	<u> </u>
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CHOIR DIRECTOR Stipend	6,000.00
ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES	
Advertising and Promotion	240.00
Office Supplies	1,500.00
Postage	550.00
Printing	1,500.00
Background Checks	200.00
Bookstore Expenses	1,500.00
Accountant	1,705.00
Church Phones	2,250.00
Computer Software	455.00
Subtotal Administrative Expenses	9,900.00
INSURANCE Church/Cemetery Insurance	9,800.00

UTILITIES	2022 Budget
NIPSCO	18,000.00
Septic: Beebe	2,100.00
Garbage: Star	1,800.00
Well-Maintenance: Sheehy	400.00
Alarm System	800.00
Pest Control	1,100.00
Subtotal Utilities	24,200.00
BUILDING MAINTENANCE	
Mechan. Concepts Contract	1,300.00
Janitorial Supplies	800.00
Cleaning Service	6,740.00
Repairs/Maintenance Merrillville Storm Water	17,500.00
Subtotal Building Maintenance	<u> </u>
Subiolal building Maintenance	20,005.00
GROUNDS MAINTENANCE	
Lawn Service	2,200.00
Snow Removal	6,500.00
Subtotal Grounds Maintenance	8,700.00
YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL	
Supplies and Activities	1,000.00
RECREATION	=
Fellowship Meals	500.00
MINISTRY EXPENSE	
Candles and Vigils	2,500.00
Flowers/Gifts	1,000.00
Cannonical Visits	300.00
Books & Literature	100.00
Liturgical Supplies	700.00
Subtotal Ministry Expense	4,600.00
Subtotal Fixed Expenses	163,668.00
OTHER EXPENSES DIOCESAN ASSESSMENTS	
Assessments- Monthly	23,450.00
Chicago Deanery - Annual	100.00
Subtotal Diocesan Assessments	23,550.00
CONVENTIONS & SEMINARS	
Assembly Expenses	2,500.00
Subtotal Other Expenses	26,050.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	189,718.00

	2021 Officeholder	2022 Nominee	Years of eligibility left <i>after</i> 2022
President	Melody Rozdelsky	Melody Rozdelsky	0
Vice President	Elizabeth Pedersen	Elizabeth Pedersen	3
Treasurer	Mike Gruszyk	Mike Gruszyk	0
Secretary	Adam Erpelding	Elizabeth Wysocki	4
At Large (7)	Juli Grankoski	Sherry Mizimakoski	5
	Starlene Eaton	Lesley Erpelding	5
	Olga Martin	Olga Martin	1
	Mira Lukas	Paul Campbell	5
	Lara Richards	Lara Richards	3
	Nada Buczek	Nada Buczek	1
Alternate	Elizabeth Wysocki	Mira Lukas	no limit
Reviewers (3)	Sherry Mizimakoski	Adam Erpelding	3
	Nick Korzow	Nick Korzow	0
	Richard Svihra	Richard Svihra	2