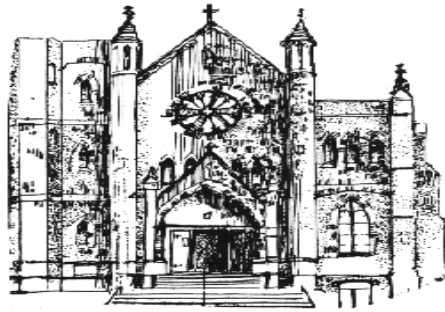


# A SNAPSHOT OF PARISH LIFE LAST YEAR FALL 2016



## I. OUR SACRAMENTAL LIFE:

- A. We celebrated **5** weekend **Masses** and **2** daily **Masses** throughout the year
- B. We had **76 Baptisms**
- C. **36** children and adults received **First Communion**
- D. **27** youth/adults were **Confirmed in the faith**
- E. We celebrated **20 Marriages**
- F. There were **111 Deaths**. The families were consoled as we marked and celebrated the life, death, and new life of their loved ones
- G. **Reconciliation** (confession) is available every Saturday. During Advent and Lent communal celebrations of the Sacrament are offered for the parish, school, and religion education program
- H. **Anointing of the Sick** is celebrated regularly for anyone in need, plus two communal services here in church. All of our homebound are anointed twice a year



Sacraments symbol and icons set

## II. FAITH FORMATION:

- A. Our **Parish School** has **209** students in Pre-School through 8<sup>th</sup> grade and serves **145** families. It is committed to fostering educational excellence in an atmosphere of Christian life and service
- B. Sunday morning and Monday evening **Religious Education** classes have **147** students in grades **K through 11**. They prepare for **First Communion**, **First Reconciliation**, and **Confirmation** and take part in workshops and retreats. **Children's Liturgy of the Word** on Sunday at the 10:30 am Mass offers young children an opportunity to hear and react to the Scripture at their age level
- C. The **Youth Group Ministry** takes part in leadership development, workshops, retreats, and community service, as well as, social events



### III. SOCIAL SERVICE AND OUTREACH:

- A. Our **Food Pantry** is open Monday and Thursday mornings and serves about **250** families a month. These include about **245** children, **40** infants, **420** adults and **51** senior citizens
- B. We provide **Christmas** gifts for about **310** children
- C. The **Thrift Store** is open Wednesday and Saturday and provides service to those seeking a place to donate good, clean, usable items, and provides for those in need of them
- D. Regular **visitation** of our shut-in, hospitalized, and nursing home residents
- E. **Bereavement Group**- Services to the bereaved and those in need of counseling
- F. Programs for **children and youth** – Youth Groups, Sports Program, Scouts for boys and girls
- G. Sponsor in conjunction with Catholic Charities for the **Soup Kitchen** and **Food Pantry** at the Sister Maureen Joyce Center



### IV. THE PARISH SOCIETIES, ORGANIZATIONS AND GROUPS:

The **Over 50, Holy Name, Rosary Guild, Home School Association, Young Adult Group** all offer support in living and growing in our faith. They also offer social and service opportunities for their members and the parish family.

*All of these things happen because of your support of time, talent, and resources.*

*We bring Christ alive in all we do in His name.*

*Please consider what you can do to support and continue these and other works.*

For we walk by

*Faith*  
not by sight