

Dear Parishioners of St. Irenaeus,

For fifty-six years our parish family has been a “beacon on the hill” in our Rochester area. Through the celebration of the sacraments, especially the Holy Eucharist, we have witnessed firsthand the mercy and love of God and proclaimed to our neighbors the joy of living as the Body of Christ. Over the years, our parish has given witness to service of God and neighbor, formed and educated us in faith, and called us to a deeper stewardship of what God has shared with us.

St. Irenaeus is our spiritual home where we come to rejoice, to offer thanksgiving, to grow, to find solace, and to serve. Christ calls us to be joyful missionary disciples sharing the Good News as evangelizers in our words and in our witness. To build on the foundation of our original members and those who have gone before us, and to strengthen the faith of future generations, we are invited to continue the rich tradition of worship, charity, evangelization, and formation. Especially in this year of our Eucharistic Revival, we are called to do all things “through him, with him and in him...in memory of him.”

I invite you to join our parish community by responding to the “Reigniting Our Mission” program. Please review the contents of this brochure and prayerfully consider how you and your family can play an active role in reigniting our mission and continuing the work of the Lord entrusted to us. After experiencing the “ash” of the pandemic and amid these uncertain economic times, I am confident that we can, like the phoenix, move forward and rise to the challenge of reigniting our commitment to further God’s kingdom here on earth.

A special Commitment Weekend will be held on September 30 – October 1 to allow parishioners to reflect on God’s blessings and to make a commitment that will allow St. Irenaeus to continue to be a “beacon on the hill.” Please take the time to pray, listen, reflect, and renew your commitment to the works of the Lord through the life of our parish community. St. Irenaeus...pray for us!

Thank you for your generosity, prayers, and support of our St. Irenaeus Catholic Community.

In Christ, who continually reignites us,

Fr. Gerry

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Making your Commitment

Fill out the enclosed Commitment Card and
bring it to Mass next weekend

or

scan this QR code with your smartphone to
fill out your Commitment Card online.



Fulfilling your New Commitment

Three simple and secure ways to do so:



Sign up for **Online Giving** or update
your current online gift amount at
www.osvhub.com/stirenaeus



Use your **offering envelope**
and bring it to Mass each Sunday,
mail it to the parish office,
or use the drop box outside the
office doors.



Explore using **tax advantaged
charitable gifts** such as
IRA Distributions, Gifts of
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the parish in your will. Please
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Reigniting Our Mission



**ST. IRENAEUS
CATHOLIC CHURCH**
ROCHESTER HILLS, MI

Spreading the GOSPEL

Ministries

- Adopt-a-Family Program
- Adult Choir
- Children and Youth Choirs
- Adult Enrichment
- Adult Faith Formation
- Altar Care
- Altar Servers
- Back to School Blessings
- Baking Ministry and Event Hospitality
- Bereavement
- Blood Drives
- Catholic Widowed Club
- Children's Liturgy of the Word
- Christian Service Commission
- Christmas Giving Tree
- Collection Counters
- Communion to Homebound
- Creation Care
- Earth Ministry
- Email Prayer Warriors
- Eucharistic Ministers
- Faith Formation
- Finance Council
- Food and Clothing Drives
- Funeral Altar Servers
- Funeral Luncheons
- Good Samaritans
- Gospel of Life
- Greeters and Welcome Desk
- HOPE Adult Shelter Week
- Hospitality, Outreach, and Social Team (HOST)
- Intercessory Prayer
- Knights of Columbus
- Lectors and Ushers
- Lighthouse Family Shelter Week
- Marriage Enrichment
- Men's Prayer Group
- Mental Health Ministry
- Middle School Ministry
- Needlework Ministry
- No Stranger Among Us
- Outreach to Seniors
- Parish Health Ministry
- Pastoral Council
- Project Easter Basket
- Recycling
- Rosary Makers for the Missions
- Rosary Prayer Group
- Sacristans
- Secular Franciscans
- Senior Fellowship
- Soup Kitchen Ministries
- Special Needs Disciples
- St. Vincent de Paul
- Walking w/Moms in Need
- Works of Mercy Events
- Young Adult Ministry
- Youth Group
- Worship Space Beautification

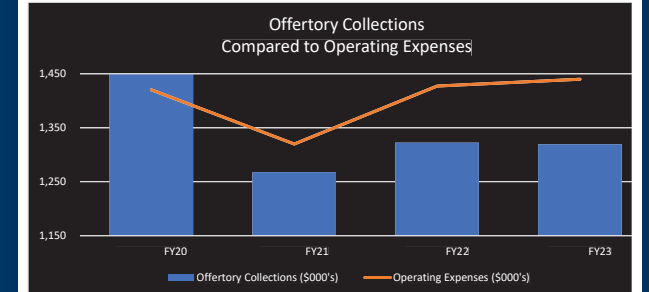
Building the KINGDOM



St. Irenaeus Church

Statement of Collections & Expenses

	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23	% Change FY20-FY23
# Giving Families	1,237	987	1,085	1,081	-12.6%
Offerory Collections (\$000's)	1,449	1,268	1,322	1,319	-8.9%
Operating Expenses (\$000's)	1,420	1,320	1,427	1,440	1.4%



The Last Offerory Increase Campaign was run in FY 20

Sharing Our Blessings

As we strive to love one another better, good stewardship plays a key role. Stewardship isn't a code word for financial support. Stewardship is about doing the work of Christ and engaging our many resources to further the ministry and mission of our Lord, while remembering that everything we have is a gift from our Creator.

TOGETHER... all for the Glory and Honor of GOD!