



2017 Annual Report

*St. Benedict's
is a welcoming
community
sharing and spreading
Christ's love
through worship,
education,
fellowship and
outreach.*

ANNUAL MEETING AGENDA

September 17, 2017

- I. CALL TO ORDER/ OPENING PRAYER
- II. LAST YEAR'S MINUTES
- III. RECTOR'S ANNUAL REPORT
- IV. TREASURER REPORT
- V. DAY SCHOOL REPORT
- VI. MINISTRY REPORTS
- VII. DISCUSSION
- IX. ADJOURNMENT/CLOSING PRAYER

III. Rector's Annual Report

By The Rev. Brian Sullivan
Rector's Report 2017

Wow!! What a year it has been. The year started with the arrival of one of the best preachers this side of the Chattahoochee (I would argue she's as good as any preacher on the other side too). The Reverend Ashley Lytle joined us as a part-time assistant priest focused on youth. However, as the year progressed her leadership, desire, and passion for parish ministry became more apparent, as did my passion for school leadership. During eighteen month period of gradual and thoughtful discernment with the vestry, Board of Trustees and Bishop's office, we have all settled on a situation that is a win-win for the whole community. I will be both Head of School and Rector.

This decision has made room in the church budget to hire Ashley full-time as our Associate Rector. The big question for everyone is, what does this look like for the church? Very simply, not much is changing. I am still preaching every other Sunday. I will be working on high-level strategic planning with help from the vestry, financial oversight with help from the finance committee, pastoral care with help from the lay pastoral committee and teaching with help from Ashley, Edith and Bronson.

Ashley is already hands-on with administering many of the programs in the parish from youth to adult education to stewardship to acolytes.

Courtney is doing what she does best with children both on Sunday and during the week in the child-enrichment program.

Fr. Ramon has added one more parish to his busy schedule, in Rome GA. So his Sunday rotation consist of mornings at Buen Pastor in Douglasville, early afternoon at San Benedicto in Smyrna, then off to Rome, GA for an evening service.

Deacon Edith Woodling still has her hand on the pulse of outreach as she leads our parish into the prophetic work of helping those around us (join her Sunday School class to hear more).

And behind the scenes Betsy is holding us all together with her administrative prowess and love for details.

The only key player missing is a music director, who is out there waiting for God to call him or her to St. Benedict's.

In conclusion, I have a hard time expressing how much this community means to me. While my priestly vocation is evolving, my love for you all has never been stronger. If you ever want to sit down and discuss my journey and how closely I have been listening to the spirit over the years, I am happy to share a cup of coffee. I have a strong feeling that our tenth year is going to be the strongest year of our life together!

Brian



IV. Treasurer's Report

By Brook Garrett and David Oliver

Unrestricted Operating Fund

	8/31/2017 Actual	2017 Budget	2017 Forecast	2016 EOY Actual
Pledge Contributions	\$ 315,580	\$ 452,316	\$ 452,316	\$ 445,344
Non Pledge Contributions	62,029	70,000	70,000	70,418
Other Income*	47,463	45,830	62,253	23,866
Total Operating Revenue	425,072	568,146	584,569	539,628
Total Operating Expenses	362,060	568,138	552,665	533,713
Net Income	\$ 63,012	\$ 8	\$ 31,904	\$ 5,915

*Other income includes transfers in from other funds

2017 Year-to-date Highlights:

- Revenues have been above budget all year. **Thank you all for your generosity to the mission of St. Benedict's and our church community.**
- Forecast expenses through year-end are primarily the result of good staff expense management, the music director position yet to be filled and some additional compensation and benefit adjustments related to shared staff duties between the church and school.

Cash Balances as of 08/31/2017

Unrestricted Operating	\$ 96,081
Restricted Nursery	\$ 47,439
Restricted Management	\$ 14,485
Restricted Missions & Outreach	\$ 10,373
Restricted Ministry	\$ 11,059
Restricted Other	\$ 3,325
Capital Fund	\$ 19,284
Building Fund	\$ 80,118

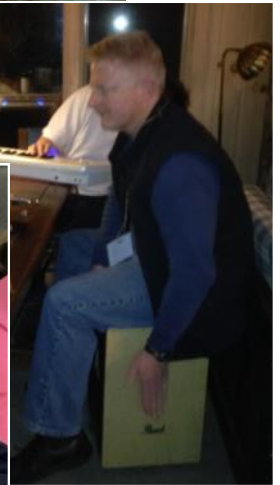


VI. Here's what we've been doing this year...









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