



2018 ANNUAL REPORT

ST. PETER CATHOLIC PARISH

ASHTON, WI

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Opening Our Doors to the World...

Maintaining Our Identity in Christ...

Over more than 150 years of history have contributed to our tradition of Faith and Community here in beautiful Ashton. Over the years things have changed, but the essentials have remained the same. Our Faith in Jesus Christ has united us a Community of Believers that live, work, and pray together.

In order to engage the world we live in, yet maintain and communicate who we are as a parish community, parishioners have come together over the last few months to formulate a new logo that expresses both our faith and our community identity.

COLORS

Red - The color of blood, which recalls Jesus Christ shedding his Blood for our salvation, as well as the blood of the Martyrs. This is especially poignant as St. Peter shed his blood in witness to his faith in Jesus Christ.

Blue - The color of water, which reminds us of our baptism. Baptism is the beginning of eternal life in us, and the necessary way to salvation as members of the Body of Christ, the Church.

Gold - A symbol of how precious our faith is to us, just as gold is a precious metal. Gold also reminds us of our community – the golden fields of wheat in the summer and the corn fields in the fall.

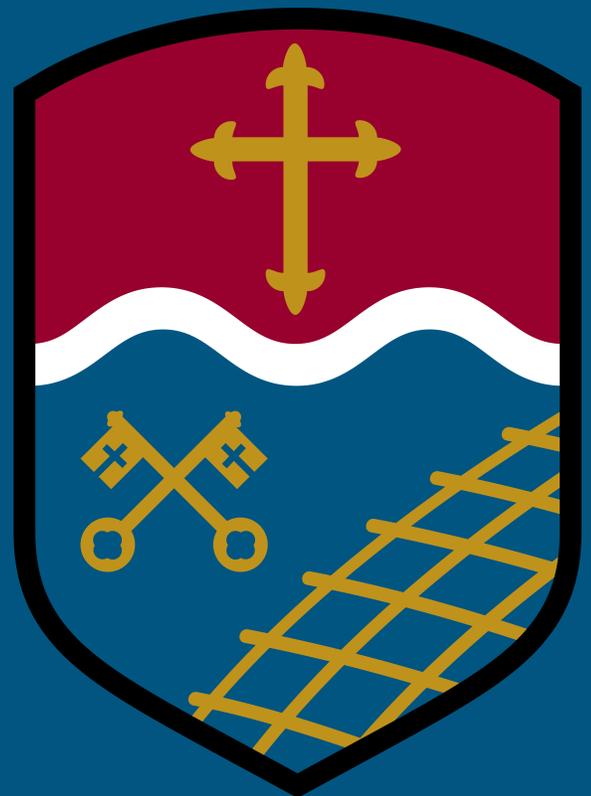
SYMBOLS

Cross - The sign of our salvation, that God became man in Jesus Christ to suffer and die so that we might rise with Him to eternal life. Look to the Cross as our hope, that by our sufferings the Lord will save us.

Wave - The wavy white line represents both the 'waves', struggles and difficulties, of this life that we endure by faith and with the support of our community. The waves also allude to the crest of the Diocese of Madison, which has waves to represent the four major bodies of water in the Diocese.

Keys - The keys of St. Peter, a sign that our Catholic Faith has been handed down from Christ to the Apostles, and through the centuries to us. We are baptized into this faith and strive to grow in it throughout our life.

Fisherman's Net - The net on the lower right of the crest is a sign that we are concerned with being "fishers of men" (cf. Mt. 4:19), going out to invite others to follow Jesus Christ. St. Peter was a worker, a fisherman by trade. We are a community that works together, in the fields, in the parish, and in service to others. The fisherman's net also resembles a hill planted with rows of crops, which is a key foundation of our parish as a community set in the farm fields of Ashton.



Signs of God's Grace at Work

14
BAPTISMS



8
FIRST
COMMUNIONS



WEDDINGS



7
CONFIRMATIONS



11 NEW
PARISH FAMILIES

320+ MASSES
Celebrated in the Parish

21 + **18**
Adults Children

Handing on the Faith

One of the most important responsibilities of a vibrant Catholic Parish community is to form the next generation to know and live our Catholic Faith. We do this in two concrete ways – through our Parish School and Faith Formation programs. Below are some statistics about our two programs.

Faith Formation

64 STUDENTS

Enrolled in Faith
Formation for 2018-19

COST

1 Student = \$60 Total

2+ Students = \$120 Total



Instruction Time

Kindergarten – 8th Grade = 30+ hrs

High School = 39+ hrs

St. Peter Catholic School is dedicated to continuing the strong tradition of Catholic education, academic excellence, and the formation of morals, values, and the Faith, in a Christ-centered community. - **Mission Statement**



TUITION (2017-18)

Parishioner K-5	\$2187
Non-Parishioner K-5	\$2959
Actual Cost / Student	\$4868



Being Good Stewards of the

Lord's Gifts...

	Amount	Percent
Offertory	\$ 203,603.42	33.65%
Fundraising	\$ 121,204.48	20.03%
Education	\$ 192,831.14	31.87%
Investments & Other Income	\$ 87,471.96	14.46%
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 605,111.00	100%
Sal & Ben	\$ (405,162.23)	68.10%
Admin	\$ (28,101.08)	4.72%
Programming	\$ (80,819.83)	13.58%
Facilities	\$ (80,876.05)	13.59%
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$(594,959.19)	100.00%
NET	\$ 10,151.81	

Jesus Christ calls us to be good stewards, to take care of what we have been blessed with and entrusted so that these resources bear fruit, for the salvation of souls and in service to our neighbors.

This past fiscal year 2017-2018 has been stable, but we have a responsibility to care for our parish's gifts – spiritual and material. This means that we are called to continue to improve our use of God's gifts to the parish and to build for the future, to be prepared for whatever opportunities and challenges may come. As we attend to this responsibility, the Finance Council and I will continue to be good stewards of the parish's resources.

I encourage each of you to consider how the Lord is calling you to be a good steward of what has been entrusted to you – that together we can continue to build up the Kingdom of God in Ashton, May the Lord bless you for all you do to spiritually and materially support the work of salvation here and abroad.

Rev. (Mr.) Gerald

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