ST. CECILIA
CATHOLIC CHURCH

Financial Report to the Parish

Fiscal Year 2026 (July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026)

Offertory collections decreased by 4.3% from the previous fiscal year, from $712,890 to $682,399.

Revenue

Offertory Collections	$ 682,399
(The average weekly offertory collection in FY 2026 was $13,123)	
Total other Receipts	$ 1,465,987
(Includes revenue from undercroft rental, interest on bank accounts, donations, bequests, miscellaneous receipts)	
2026 Fundraising (net)	$ 205,162
(Festival & Raffle)	
School Revenue	$ 1,549,568
ECLC Revenue	$ 795,700
Diocesan Collections	$ 18,914
Cemetery	$ 21,700
Total Revenue for Fiscal Year 2025	**$ 4,722,715**

Expenses

Pastoral Services and Administration	$ 444,841
(Includes salaries & benefits for priest, business manager, office manager, maintenance director, musicians and DRE as well as the cost of the Parish Office, Continuing Education, Professional Services, Parish Committees, transportation expense for priest)	
Worship	$ 98,578
(Includes cost of church supplies and equipment, continuing education, professional services, repair and upkeep or organ, etc.)	
Religious Education	$ 4,520
(Includes cost of continuing education and parish distributed literature)	
Christian Service and Outreach	$ 6,525
(Includes cost of continuing education, charitable assistance and support of outreach programs)	
Parish School Expenses	$ 2,337,384
(Includes cost of salaries & benefits for school personnel; school supplies and equipment, continuing education, professional expenses, etc.)	

Parish Hall Expenses	$ 21,750
(Expenses associated with running of parish hall)	
Rectory Expenses	$ 21,785
(Any expense related to maintaining priest residence including food, repairs, etc.)	
Church Operations and Maintenance	$ 456,268
(Includes cost of all utilities and maintenance supplies for the church and the general parish plant and operations)	
School Plant Operations and Maintenance	$ 154,234
(Includes cost of utilities, maintenance supplies for the school building)	
Diocesan Assessment	$ 228,803
(Assessment of 7.75% on all regular offertory collections, Parish Hall rental revenue, school tuition, festival income to support cost of running the diocese)	
Secondary School Fund Assessment	$ 135,825
(Diocesan assessment on parish and school income used to help support Diocesan district high schools.)	
Diocesan Collections	$ 18,914
Church & School Operating Expenses for Fiscal Year 2026	**$ 3,929,427**

Other Parish Organizations

All organizations that operate under the Diocese tax exempt status are required to present quarterly financial statements to the business office. Monthly bank account balances are recorded in the financial statements.

Parish Support of School

School tuition is intended to cover the salary and benefit cost of school faculty and staff. Student fees cover the day-to-day operating expenses of books, supplies, etc. As necessary, the Parish also assists in with such items as the cost of utilities, maintenance staff, repairs on the school building, tuition assistance, scholarships and revenue shortfalls.

Tuition for the 2025-26 school year were as follows:

Daycare	**5 Days/wk.**	
Ages 1-5	$225	
Preschool	**4 Days/wk.**	
3 & 4-Yr-Old Programs	$2,880	
K-8	**In Parish**	**Out of Parish**
1 Child	$5,417	$6,442
2 Children	$8,058	$9,083
3 or more Children	$9,247	$10,272

Fundraising

Our Parish is dependent upon the monies collected from our various fundraising events (festival, New Year's raffle, etc.) to ensure that we continue to be solvent. Without these enterprises we would fall short in meeting the needs of our ministries.

Tithing

617 families were on the active parish rolls as of June 30, 2026. The average weekly contribution of the families who contributed was $21.27. As it is often a challenge to collect the total funds necessary to fully operate our Parish ministries, we ask all parishioners to prayerfully consider how they might be able to increase their tithing.

Large Financial Expenditures for 2025-26

In the course of the 2025-26 fiscal year, there were several projects that required large financial expenditures, the most obvious being the renovation of the undercroft. The parish was incredibly generous during our Giving Tuesday initiative, when we raised an astounding $142,880 earmarked specifically for that project. In the end, your generosity covered 56% of the final price tag of $253,000. We managed to upgrade an aging space into a beautiful new showplace that will serve the needs of our parish for many years to come.

Among the other items that would fall under the tag of large expenditures were the replacement of a badly leaking rectory roof ($18,311), the long-overdue placement of a handrail leading up the steps into the cemetery ($11,496), the repair of the drainage system of the gravel drive out of the undercroft lot ($13,700), and the installation of a new gas furnace and air conditioning system in the school after the last one went out ($14,100).

We are very blessed to have such a generous assembly of parishioners, and we take the sacrifice of your expenditures on the church's behalf very seriously. We are especially thankful for those parishioners who have remembered the parish in their will or have otherwise made very sizable donations to St. Cecilia within the past year. It is these donations which have allowed us to maintain healthy bank account balances, as can be seen below. We truly strive to be good stewards of the hard-earned money that each family contributes. Please pray for us that we continue to make good sound financial decisions in the future. Thank you again for your generosity.

Bank Account Balances as of 6/30/26
All accounts held through Heritage Bank-Independence

Church Checking	$28,470
Church Savings	$442,412
School Checking	$28,032
ECLC Checking	$6,241
Fundraising	$19,705
Urlage Hall	$22,248
Gaming	$98,561
Restricted Funds	$102,583
Cemetery	$78,887

Fiscal Year 2025-26 Finance Council Members

Tony Bramer	Kathleen Bell	Paul Dandrow
Mary Lou Kaub	Mark McDonald	Kendra McGuire
Melissa Rosenberger		