

My Dear Friends in Christ,

As I write to you this day, the weather is “all over the map” so to speak. While we fluctuate between “summer heat” and “spring rains”, the calendar speaks of the fall that is upon us. As we move into this time of year, schedules fill up, calendars reflect an uptick in activity, and people get busy with the activities of daily family life. Here in the Together In Christ Collaborative, our parishes of St. Ann’s and St. John’s reflect that same busy activity. As we gear up for another school year, another year of Religious Education, another Liturgical Year, we consistently look towards building up the “time, talent, and treasure” found here in the Together of Christ Collaborative (which consists of the Parishes of St. John and St. Ann).

It is in this light that we present the 2024 Annual Report. This report shows how the “treasure” of the Parishes and Collaborative was used. As your Pastor, and “Head Steward”, I have worked hard to safeguard and manage this treasure to the best of my abilities. I have not done this work alone; I have done this work with the help of our Collaborative Staff, the Collaborative Parish Council, and the Finance Councils of St. John’s and St. Ann’s. I want to publicly thank these folks for their dedication and good work to assist me in these endeavors. This work has not been without its challenges. Like you, our “household” has a budget which documents assets and liabilities, debits and credits. It has been a challenging year, given the vagaries of the economy, and we have worked hard to keep our parishes “in the black”. In doing this work of stewardship, we have worked diligently to achieve and maintain a positive balance of the books. We cannot, however, do this without your help.

I wish to thank all of you for your fidelity to the endeavors of the Together In Christ Collaborative. As we move forward to continue the work with which we have been charged, we need your help. It will take the dedicated work of all involved in parish life – Clergy, Staff, and Laity – to bring to life this vision and achieve and sustain its success. It will take all three elements – Time, Talent, and Treasure – to make this happen. With your help, and with the help of our Good and Loving God, we can and will do this. Offering my prayers and best wishes for you and all you hold dear, I wish you

Peace and All Good,



Fr. Paul Ring, Pastor

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