



## “FROM THE DESK OF FATHER JONATHAN”



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In heaven we will be able to worship God as a family without any concerns whatsoever. But until then, we worship together in the world, where we have many needs and practical concerns, including our personal and parish finances. I know that for many of you, it is hard to make ends meet. As a parish, we struggle as well. Next weekend, the 24th and 25th of October, I will speak at all masses about the financial status of our parish.

I want you to know precisely how we are doing--the good and the bad--and what we need to do to forge a future of stability and strength. I will give you a handout that will show you the important numbers, including a list of where our revenue comes from and how we spend it. I will show you the large amount of debt the parish has taken on over the last twenty or so years in order to keep the church and school afloat. Don't worry; it won't be all bad news. I will explain to you the exciting projects that we have commenced (and paid for) over the last seven months, and the considerable amount of funds we have raised from people from inside and outside the neighborhood who have sacrificed to make the ministry and buildings of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel parish flourish.

Please make every effort to be with us next weekend as this will be an important moment for us all!

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Finally, don't forget, our annual dinner dance is next Sunday at 3:00pm at Maestros Catering. If you haven't purchased a ticket, do it tomorrow at the office! If you aren't in a position to pay for a ticket (\$90), but would still like to come, contact the office as we have some generous benefactors who have purchased extra tickets for us to give away.

I feel so blessed to serve you. Call or write me, or any of our priests, sisters, or staff if you need anything.

Father Jonathan