ARCHDIOCESAN ANNUAL REPORT 2026



Our generosity helps carry Christ's mission forward

By Archbishop Shawn McKnight
Archbishop of Kansas City in Kansas

As I reflect on the Archdiocesan Annual Financial Report, I am filled with humble gratitude. The generosity of our parishioners brings me abundant joy and hope for the future of the church in northeast Kansas.

Through your generosity, you share in the mission Christ entrusted to his church: bringing the joy and truth of the Gospel to the world. Through stewardship, we are each invited to be part of something much greater than ourselves: a mission entrusted to imperfect people, guided by the Holy Spirit for over 2,000 years.

The readings for the 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time beautifully illustrate this call to stewardship.

In the Gospel parable, the master entrusts his servants with talents, inviting them to use these gifts fruitfully. The faithful servants respond with trust and initiative, demonstrating that stewardship is not simply about what we have been given, but how we use those gifts in service to others.

The faithfulness of these servants reminds us of the holy awe we should have for God's incomprehensible glory and the humility that, despite his greatness, he chooses us as his and loves us with unfathomable, sacrificial love.

This brings us to the heart of stewardship: Why do we give? Because we love God and our neighbor. Your generosity is a beautiful expression of that love and a testament to the many ways the faithful of our archdiocese answer Christ's call to serve one another.

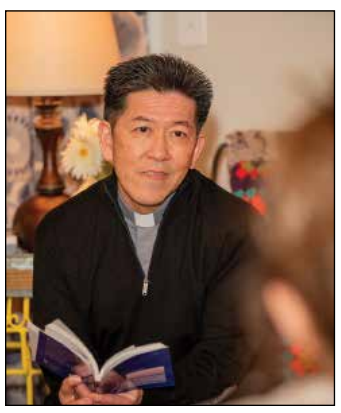
I am deeply grateful for your generosity and the many ways you support the vital ministries in the archdiocese. Through your faithful stewardship, countless individuals and families encounter Christ's love and grace. May we continue to live out our holy vocations together, so that each of us may someday hear the words of our Master: "Well done, my good and faithful servant."













From the Chief Financial Officer

Transparency

The financial information you see on these pages shows you the sources (revenue) and uses (expense) of the funds at the chancery offices of the archdiocese for the most recent fiscal year and the year prior. A comparison of the two years and explanations of differences over $100,000 and 10% are provided. This statement agrees in total to the audited annual financial report, which is posted on the archdiocesan website at: https://archkck.org/administration/finance-office/. Some category amounts may differ due to updates in presentation.

There are essentially four classifications of sources of funds: Fees and Other Income, ACTS (Archdiocesan Call to Share annual appeal), Assessments and Collections and Cathedraticum. Following is a brief description of each.

Fees and Other Income: Some offices charge fees for services, such as School Fees to cover administration, Youth Camp registration fees, rental fees at Savior Pastoral Center, and The Leaven. Additionally, investment earnings, contributions, and campaign donations are recorded here. By far the largest source is health and dental premiums for all covered employees of the archdiocese.

ACTS: This annual appeal is conducted each February-March to raise funds for the following fiscal year. Based on analysis and information received from grant requests, the Development Committee of the Archdiocesan Finance Council makes a recommendation to the archbishop for the allocation of funds after a review by the Presbyteral Council.

Assessments and Collections: Includes amounts assessed to parishes or deaneries for Savior Pastoral Center and Youth Formation, as well as the Catholic Charities Christmas Collection and the Good Shepherd Collection.

Cathedraticum: This is the annual tax as provided under Canon Law Section 1263 for the bishop to fund the administrative costs of the diocese. The amount and method vary by diocese.

The uses of the above funds are listed down the page and are divided by categories which correspond to Five Pastoral Priorities. A short explanation of each priority is provided under each heading. Additionally, use of funds for each line item is broken down between columns based on the origin of the funds received to pay for the spending.

The bottom line is the net of the income sources and uses. In cases where the net is negative, balances saved from previous years are used. It is also important to know that all funds received with donor restrictions are accounted for to ensure that those funds are used only for the purpose the donor intends.

The results

Overall, fiscal year 2026 ended with a loss of almost $1.8 million. The result is a 55% improvement in the bottom line for 2026 as compared to 2025. While in general the chancery operations broke even, results of the archdiocesan health care fund accounted for the loss year-over-year. Premiums were lowered two years in a row (2024 and 2025) to provide relief to employers and employees from higher than needed reserves. Additionally, 2024, 2025 and 2026 saw an increase in enrollees and higher than anticipated health care claims. Premiums were increased 9% in 2026 and will increase 27% in 2027 in order to fund the higher costs.

Additional information

In addition to the operating statement presented, there are funds, including National Collections and Special Emergency Collections, we call "pass-through funds," which are collected at each parish, sent to the archdiocese and then forwarded on to their final destination. This schedule shows the reach of our collective generosity beyond the boundaries of our parishes and our archdiocese.

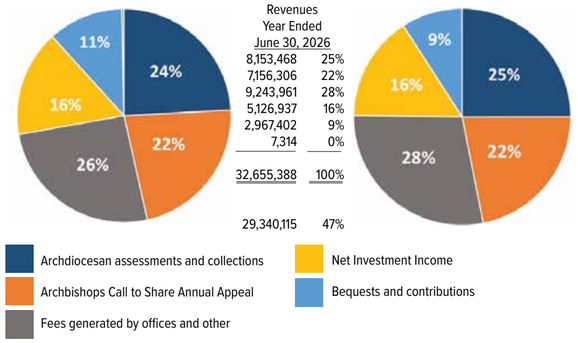
The sidebar on Transparency is included to shed light on the funds used in our efforts to protect children and vulnerable adults through background checks and training all employees and volunteers in the archdiocese who have interactions with children in the scope of their duties. When an allegation of abuse is made, there are also costs associated with victim assistance and canonically-required assistance for the priest.

ARCHDIOCESE OF KANSAS CITY IN KANSAS OPERATING STATEMENT FOR 2025 AND 2026

Funded by:.....	Fees/Other Income		Archbishop's Call to Share		Assessments & Collections		Cathedraticum		Total		Year over Year Change	
Income	44,454,921	46,685,740	7,239,503	7,156,306	3,671,606	3,803,390	4,148,347	4,350,078	59,514,377	61,995,514	2,481,137	4%
Expenses	2025	2026	2025	2026	2025	2026	2025	2026	2025	2026	$	%
CONVERSION												
The church is called to make the love of Jesus real and tangible in the world today, especially to the poor, the vulnerable and those on the peripheries.												
Vicar for Clergy and Clergy Support Programs	11,917	12,238					594,909	536,558	606,826	548,796	(58,030)	(10%)
Liturgy and Sacramental Life	7,122	6,519	176,423	164,251					183,545	170,771	(12,775)	(7%)
Office of Hispanic Ministry	9,053	6,621	311,644	227,687					320,697	234,308	(86,389)	(27%)
Emporia-Hispanic Ministry			65,000	65,000					65,000	65,000		
Totus Tuus			32,538	44,243					32,538	44,243	11,705	36%
Savior Pastoral Center	974,591	853,713	384,842	320,695	400,000	503,062			1,759,433	1,677,470	(81,962)	(5%)
Christ Peace House of Prayer			50,000	50,000					50,000	50,000		
Campus Ministry:												
Donnelly College KCK			45,000	45,000					45,000	45,000		
St. Lawrence Center-KU Lawrence			120,000	120,000					120,000	120,000		
Didde Center-Emporia			100,000	100,000					100,000	100,000		
Catholic Center-Washburn Topeka			81,000	81,000					81,000	81,000		
Catholic Center-Haskell Lawrence			65,000	57,000					65,000	57,000	(8,000)	(12%)
Other	50,401	20,000					11,000	8,888	61,401	28,888	(32,513)	(53%)
Total Conversion	**1,053,084**	**899,092**	**1,431,447**	**1,274,877**	**400,000**	**503,062**	**605,909**	**545,446**	**3,490,440**	**3,222,477**	**(267,963)**	**(8%)**
EVANGELIZATION												
The commission that Jesus gave to the church was to go and make disciples of all nations, The church can never be content with itself as it is currently constituted. We must always be guided by a missionary impulse to share the gift of our faith with others.												
Evangelizition	110,303	33,549	608,981	618,265					719,284	651,814	(67,470)	(9%)
Evang.& Catholic Formation-Youth,Ranch & Camps	1,491,341	1,635,625	560,880	563,023					2,052,221	2,198,648	146,426	7%
Rural Youth Outreach Programs	47,460	47,741			160,460	217,450			207,919	265,191	57,271	28%
Urban Youth Outreach Programs	11,945	13,940			170,632	174,882			182,577	188,821	6,244	3%
Propagation of the Faith	15,197	32,642							15,197	32,642	17,445	115%
Native American Evangelization Fund			3,500	3,500					3,500	3,500		
Parish Evangelization Services		17,484								17,484	17,484	
Other	33,943	36,179					21,573	8,000	55,516	44,179	(11,338)	(20%)
Total Evangelization	**1,710,190**	**1,817,159**	**1,173,361**	**1,184,788**	**331,092**	**392,332**	**21,573**	**8,000**	**3,236,216**	**3,402,279**	**166,063**	**5%**
EDUCATION												
An essential component of the church's ministry is the education of the next generation of disciples, as well as the continuing formation of all its members.												
Permanent Diaconate Office and Program	412,048	500,332							412,048	500,332	88,285	21%
Vocations	313,539	341,368							313,539	341,368	27,829	9%
Archdiocesan Education Office	451,441	469,126	344,608	393,970					796,049	863,095	67,046	8%
Perfect Wings Program	21,500	23,500	125,898	129,173					147,398	152,673	5,275	4%
Children's Catechesis	2,903		110,498	96,317					113,401	96,317	(17,084)	(15%)
Marriage and Family Life	72,033	64,205	672,255	306,445					744,288	370,650	(373,638)	(50%)
Office of Prevention and Care	1,000	1,200					754,432	749,880	755,432	751,080	(4,352)	(1%)
Leaven Newspaper	1,361,474	1,335,214					259,077	(24,678)	1,620,551	1,310,536	(310,015)	(19%)
Communications			417,405	488,566			12,500	13,000	429,905	501,566	71,661	17%
Blessed Seelos Grant for Teacher Formation			190,000	200,000					190,000	200,000	10,000	5%
High School Tuition Assistance			225,000	225,000					225,000	225,000		
Catholic Education Foundation			240,000	245,000					240,000	245,000	5,000	2%
Bishop Ward Operation Assistance			125,000	125,000					125,000	125,000		
Seminarian Support and Education	470,597	604,282			884,933	561,153			1,355,530	1,165,436	(190,095)	(14%)
Continuing Education for Priests					344,084	267,960			344,084	267,960	(76,125)	(22%)
Elizabeth Ann Seton Tuition Assistance					446,061	381,600			446,061	381,600	(64,461)	(14%)
Other	40,137	33,521	29,914		145,429	25,100	48,968	47,693	264,449	106,314	(158,135)	(60%)
Total Education	**3,146,671**	**3,372,749**	**2,480,579**	**2,209,471**	**1,820,508**	**1,235,813**	**1,074,977**	**785,894**	**8,522,735**	**7,603,927**	**(918,809)**	**(11%)**
OUTREACH: SERVING THOSE IN NEED												
The church is called to make the love of Jesus real and tangible in the world today, especially to the poor, the vulnerable and those on the peripheries.												
Archdiocesan Tribunal	32,599	33,020	307,339	311,655					339,938	344,675	4,737	1%
Deaf Ministry	5,017	3,695	178,267	181,489					183,284	185,184	1,900	1%
Special Needs	4,775	6,119	112,944	116,723					117,720	122,842	5,123	4%
Social Justice	89,357	92,098	198,519	162,857					287,876	254,955	(32,921)	(11%)
Pro Life	491,121	861,572	349,610	363,773					840,731	1,225,345	384,614	46%
Catholic Charities of Northeast Kansas			360,000	400,000	520,437	556,090			880,437	956,090	75,653	9%
Villa St. Francis-Geriatric Assistance	400,000	171,000	150,000	150,000					550,000	321,000	(229,000)	(42%)
Catholic Community Hospice			50,000	50,000					50,000	50,000		
Catholic Community Services, In-Home Support			80,000	80,000					80,000	80,000		
El Centro-Topeka			40,000	40,000					40,000	40,000		
Other	55,768	52,458					99,000	82,185	154,768	134,643	(20,124)	(13%)
Total Outreach	**1,078,637**	**1,219,963**	**1,826,680**	**1,856,496**	**520,437**	**556,090**	**99,000**	**82,185**	**3,524,754**	**3,714,734**	**189,980**	**5%**
STEWARDSHIP												
Catholic spirituality begins with profound gratitude resulting from the realization that everything, including life itself, is God's gift. Thus, the question for every Christian is: What is God calling me to do with all that he has entrusted to me?												
Campaign Distributions	1,537,908	132,928							1,537,908	132,928	(1,404,979)	(91%)
Stewardship /Development	72		334,510	392,711			492,801	495,486	827,383	888,197	60,814	7%
School/Parish Emergency Fund			32,500	99,055					32,500	99,055	66,555	205%
Urban Core Operations Support			250,000	250,000					250,000	250,000		
Cathedral				35,000						35,000	35,000	
Assumption Church, Topeka (Mater Dei)				35,000						35,000	35,000	
Priest Retirement Fund						20,000				20,000	20,000	
Finance	399,626	419,056					12,983	1,634	412,608	420,690	8,081	2%
Human Resources	445,742	473,134					54,521	205,781	500,263	678,916	178,653	36%
Accounting	908,837	895,767					1,283	(107,167)	910,120	788,599	(121,521)	(13%)
Internal Audit							137,569	179,577	137,569	179,577	42,008	31%
Shared Business Services		47,775					10,735	76,751	10,735	124,526	113,791	1060%
Real Estate/ Construction							217,720	237,571	217,720	237,571	19,851	9%
Information Technology								62,500		62,500	62,500	
Other Property Expenses	25,526	14,562					16,187	132,888	41,713	147,451	105,738	253%
Archives							29,121	33,234	29,121	33,234	4,114	14%
Cor Christi Grants and other expenses	819,000	395,000							819,000	395,000	(424,000)	(52%)
Depreciation of physical assets							604,904	655,000	604,904	655,000	50,095	8%
Other					526,476	(39,787)	867,068	(85,079)	1,393,544	(124,866)	(1,518,410)	(109%)
Total Stewardship	**4,136,710**	**2,378,223**	**617,010**	**811,766**	**526,476**	**(19,787)**	**2,444,890**	**1,888,175**	**7,725,087**	**5,058,377**	**(2,666,710)**	**(35%)**
Total Pastoral Priorities	**11,125,292**	**9,687,185**	**7,529,077**	**7,337,398**	**3,598,513**	**2,667,509**	**4,246,349**	**3,309,701**	**26,499,232**	**23,001,794**	**3,497,438**	**(13%)**
ARCHDIOCESAN ADMINISTRATION & INSURANCE												
General Expenses of the Archdiocese							600,030	552,417	600,030	552,417	(47,613)	(8%)
Chancery	385,490	430,268					38,854	5,076	424,345	435,344	11,000	3%
Archbishop Emeritus Office and Home							119,761	157,129	119,761	157,129	37,368	31%
Archbishop Office and Home							470,700	559,769	470,700	559,769	89,069	19%
Vicar General office	861	1,104					390,171	384,944	391,032	386,048	(4,984)	(1%)
Legal	13,971	72,598					374,816	625,021	388,786	697,619	308,832	79%
Ministerial Standards								27,651		27,651	27,651	
Chancellor office								1,173		1,173	1,173	
Property and Liability Insurance Claims	1,523,964	1,590,983							1,523,964	1,590,983	67,019	4%
Health and Dental Claims and Bad Debt	32,045,691	36,127,372							32,045,691	36,127,372	4,081,681	13%
Other	980,805	232,359					69,130	15,001	1,049,935	247,360	(802,575)	(76%)
Total- Administration and Insurance	**34,950,782**	**38,454,683**					**2,063,461**	**2,328,181**	**37,014,242**	**40,782,864**	**3,768,622**	**10%**
Total Expenses	46,076,074	48,141,869	7,529,077	7,337,398	3,598,513	2,667,509	6,309,810	5,637,882	63,513,475	63,784,658	271,184	
Net	(1,621,153)	(1,456,128)	(289,574)	(181,093)	73,093	1,135,881	(2,161,463)	(1,287,804)	(3,999,097)	(1,789,144)	2,209,953	(55%)

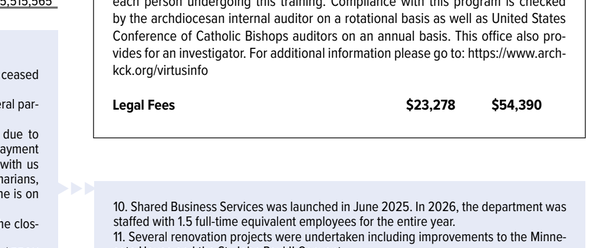
ARCHDIOCESE OF KANSAS CITY IN KANSAS REVENUE ACTUAL 2025 VS 2026

	Actual Revenues Year Ended June 30, 2025		Actual Revenues Year Ended June 30, 2026	
Archdiocesan Assessments and Collections	7,819,954	24%	8,153,468	25%
Archbishops Call To Share Annual Appeal	7,239,503	22%	7,156,306	22%
Fees Generated by Offices and Other	8,315,426	26%	9,243,961	28%
Net Investment Income	5,221,817	16%	5,126,937	16%
Bequests and Contributions	3,678,354	11%	2,967,402	9%
One Faith, One Family, One Future in Christ	111,684	0%	7,314	0%
	32,386,737	100%	32,655,388	100%
Not included in pie chart:				
Health and Dental Insurance Premiums	27,127,637	46%	29,340,115	47%



ARCHDIOCESE OF KANSAS CITY IN KANSAS EXPENSES ACTUAL 2025 VS 2026

	Actual Expenses Year Ended June 30, 2025		Actual Expenses Year Ended June 30, 2026	
Conversion	3,490,440	11%	3,222,477	12%
Evangelization	3,236,216	10%	3,402,279	12%
Education	8,522,735	27%	7,603,927	27%
Outreach: Serving those in need	3,524,754	11%	3,714,734	13%
Stewardship	7,725,087	25%	5,058,377	18%
Administration	4,968,551	16%	4,655,492	17%
	31,467,784	100%	27,657,286	100%
Not included in pie chart:				
Health and Dental Insurance Claims	32,045,691	50%	36,127,371	57%



ARCHDIOCESE OF KANSAS CITY IN KANSAS HELP FOR THE NEEDY & DISASTER RELIEF

For the Year Ended June 30, 2026

National Collections:	
Propagation of Faith (Includes World Mission Sunday)	$818,661
Holy Land	124,303
Retirement Fund for Religious	131,899
American Bishops' Overseas Appeal (CRS)	67,116
Peter's Pence (Collection for the Holy Father)	60,028
Church in Latin America	51,885
Catholic Home Mission Appeal	38,043
Catholic University of America	38,723
Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD)	24,045
Operation Rice Bowl	34,352
Military Archdiocese	60,960
Black and Indian Missions	51,596
Catholic Communcations Campaign	1,899
Solidarity Fund for Church in Africa	46,226
	$1,549,736
Special Emergency Collections:	
Hurricane Helena 2024	6,875
Humanitrian Aid for Gaza	73,817
Aid to Church in Central and Eastern Europe	58,912
California Wildfires 205-to CC USA	26,836
	$166,440
Outreach by Archdiocesan Entities:	
Program Services Provided by Catholic Charities of NE Kansas	29,375,289
Tuition Assistance Provided by Catholic Education Foundation	$5,515,565

VARIANCES

1. The Communio Program expenses were paid in full in 2025. It ceased in July 2026.
2. In 2025, Leaven assessment balances were forgiven for several parishes. Subscription revenue decreased by 2%.
3. In 2025, education expenses for seminarians was higher due to more seminarians in program, along with a one-time large payment for a priest who incardinated and that was not a seminarian with us previously. The seminary program currently serves 26 seminarians, and three seminarians left the program during the year, and one is on full scholarship.
4. In 2025, Youth Formation assessment provided subsidy to the closing Christ the King School (KCK).
5. The Pro-Life Office supported several initiatives, including a $550K contribution to the Catholic Charities Maternity Home project.
6. In 2026, Santa Marta contributed significantly less to Villa St. Francis to support services for the elderly.
7. Distributions from the One Faith One Family One Future Campaign were not processed in 2026.
8. Professional services were engaged to support recruitment of a new Superintendent of Schools, and Chancellor, and to provide severance-related services associated with the archdiocesan reorganization.
9. The Accounting Department experienced a reduction of 1 full-time equivalent positions as part of the archdiocesan restructuring.
10. Shared Business Services was launched in June 2025. In 2026, the department was staffed with 1.5 full-time equivalent employees for the entire year.
11. Several renovation projects were undertaken including improvements to the Minnesota House and the St. John Paul II Convent.
12. In 2025, a large one-time distribution was provided to the Cathedral to fund repairs to its exterior steps.
13.- In 2025, Good Shepherd assessments totaling $450K were forgiven for several parishes. In addition, $385K of One Faith campaign pledges were deemed uncollectible.
14. In 2026, professional services were retained to provide general legal counsel and to review organizational policies and procedures files.
15. In 2026, medical, dental, and prescription claims increased by $3.5 million. Additionally, administrative expenses related to the health plan increased by approximately $800K.
16. Victim settlements were down in 2026.

TRANSPARENCY

	2025	2026
Amount spent to assist victims with healing	**$167,521**	**$238,622**
Counseling to aid in healing is offered to all victims.		
A Healing Assistance Coordinator works with victims to receive assistance.		
Victim Settlements	**$855,000**	**$82,500**
Priests		
Pay, benefits and retirement contribution	86,110	69,196
Mental Health Counseling	-	5,280
Canon 384 payments to credibly accused priests	**$86,110**	**$74,476**
# of Priests	**2**	**2**

The Code of Canon Law section 384 requires the diocesan bishop to provide for the priest's financial support and social assistance, including daily living expenses, health insurance and retirement. Normally, that is facilitated through the parish via Canon 222.1 where the Christian faithful are obliged to provide for the decent support of its ministers, however, in the case where a diocesan priest is not assigned to a parish, the responsibility falls back to his bishop. In the cases of these priests, the amounts also include mental health counseling.

Child Protection efforts	**$686,135**	**$645,316**

All archdiocesan employees and volunteers who have substantial contact with children and youth are required to complete on-going training for the protection of minors. Additionally, the archdiocese conducts criminal background checks on each person undergoing this training. Compliance with this program is checked by the archdiocesan internal auditor on a rotational basis as well as United States Conference of Catholic Bishops auditors on an annual basis. This office also provides for an investigator. For additional information please go to: https://www.arch-kck.org/virtusinfo

Legal Fees	**$23,278**	**$54,390**