



Saint Anastasia
Catholic Church & School

2023 Annual Report

A Place of
Encounter

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Our Mission



St. Anastasia Catholic Church

We are a parish of faith, each of us, growing in our commitment to be faithful disciples of Jesus Christ. We strive daily to support each other and our neighbor with our time, talents, and treasures. We participate in God’s Mission and His commissioning to “... go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey all that I have commanded you” (Matthew 28:19–20).

St. Anastasia Catholic School

The mission of St. Anastasia Catholic School is to provide a safe and nurturing environment rooted in the Gospel of Jesus Christ, where Catholic doctrine and values are integrated with a challenging curriculum. The faculty, staff, and priests work together with families to develop graduates who are disciples of Christ, reflective and critical thinkers, responsible citizens, and healthy and balanced children. Inspired by the school’s crest, the faculty and staff agree to commit their lives to being disciples of Christ, build and participate in the Parish Community, and develop their own unique Christian Character in the image of Jesus Christ.

Message from Parish Leadership

This annual report is a sample of the abundant blessings that God has given to the Parish of St. Anastasia Catholic Church and School. As stewards of God’s gifts and disciples of Christ, we feel responsible to humbly share examples of our parish’s fruitfulness and excellence. Each year, we take this opportunity to remind our valued community who we are, what we do, and where we are headed. In the midst of instability and conflict in our world, the parishioners of St. Anastasia have remained faithful. We stand firmly on the Rock of Peter and Christ’s Gospel. We find immoveable joy in our relationship with Jesus and we learn from the beautiful example of His mother, Mary.

Our parish and school continue to grow, and our recent surge in baptisms and other sacraments reminds us that we must plan for the future of our parish, while investing with deeper conviction, as a community of faith, in Christ’s mission here at St. Anastasia. Our leadership team has been working



diligently on defining our parish values, our goals for the future, and preparing our leadership teams for an upcoming parish discipleship program. As we move into 2024, we will grow closer to one another during our church renovations and develop new ways to foster greater intimacy with Jesus and with one another. In 2025, our school will be preparing for our centennial anniversary celebration, with a new community vision for how to serve the changing needs of our students and families.

We belong to a parish of grateful believers, who support one another through the proverbial mountains and valleys of our lives. Thank you all for praying and supporting your Church and School. Please assist us with completing our capital campaign, learning more about how to become disciples of Christ, and waiting with anticipation for the opening of our Church, Christmas 2024. We are so blessed to work and worship together in His vineyard!

Fr. Richard E. George, II
Pastor, St. Anastasia Church

Dr. Kevin Hoeffner
Principal, St. Anastasia School

Our Growing Parish Community

Growth and Changes

For more than a century, St. Anastasia has been providing hope and stability in the areas of: faith formation, spiritual nourishment through the sacraments, Sacred Liturgy, works of mercy to those in need, devotional opportunities and much more. You belong at St. Anastasia where we deepen relationships, build bridges in our community, and meet the spiritual needs of the City of Fort Pierce and beyond.

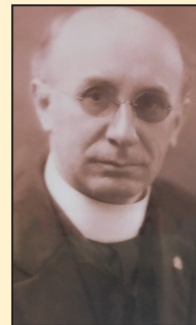
Who We Are: A Historical Perspective

1903 The first Catholic Mass in Fort Pierce was celebrated at T. J. O'Brien's home.

1908 Senator James P. McNichol purchased a block of land on the western edge of the city and donated it for the construction of a church, rectory and school. The wood-framed church was established in 1908 and seated 125 people. The parish was named St. Anastasia, in honor of the patron saint of McNichol's deceased first wife Anastasia.

December 4, 1910

Fr. Rupert Gabriel became the parish's first pastor.



1914 St. Anastasia's two-story school was built next to the church on Orange Avenue along with a convent house.

1926 Dominican sisters of Adrian arrived to teach at St. Anastasia

1932 St. Anastasia added its first year of high school and by 1936, had all four grades of high school and the first graduating class had five students.

1960 St. Anastasia Catholic School expanded its elementary school to a new location on 33rd Street in western Fort Pierce.

1965 John Carroll High School on Delaware Avenue opened.



June 20, 1976 The first Mass was celebrated in the new St. Anastasia Church on 33rd Street.

1996 The Parish center was built and dedicated to Monsignor Beerhalter.

December 11, 2010 Bishop Barbarito celebrated the Centennial Mass and dedicated the 24-hour Adoration Chapel.

2016 The Sowinski Media Center was dedicated.

2018-2021 St. Anastasia Church and School launched and completed their first joint Capital Campaign.

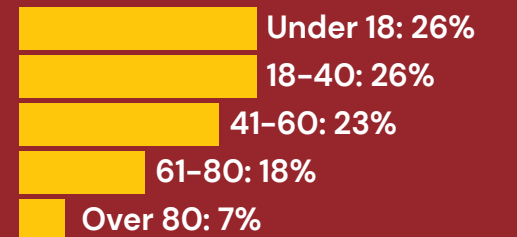
2023 St. Anastasia Church and School both experienced a record year of new families joining the parish and new enrollment in the school.

2024 Bishop Barbarito will consecrate the newly renovated St. Anastasia Catholic Church interior.

Parish Demographics

2,490 Parishioners
and Over **890** Families

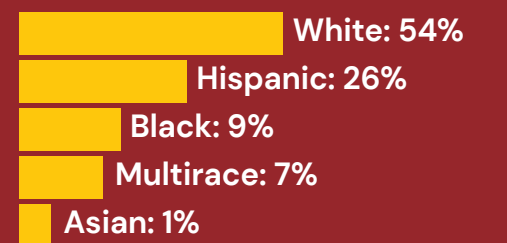
Parishioner make-up by age:



11% increase in amount of parishioners over last year

School Demographics

Student Statistics:



585 Students

What are Your Needs?



At St. Anastasia we would like to walk with you whether you are new to the parish or the Catholic Faith, need sacramental support, searching for a catholic school, or just looking for a sense of belonging. Here are some resources to get you connected:

Visit:
stanastasiachurch.org
Contact our church at:
772-461-2233
Contact our school at:
772-461-2232

Providing Ministry from Maternity to Eternity



Conception & Birth

- Respect Life Ministry Prayers & Support
- Birthline Lifeline & Women’s Care Center
- Sacrament of Baptism
- Pre K 3 & 4 at St. Anastasia School

Elementary

- Children’s Liturgy
- Altar Serving
- Sunday Faith Formation
- St. Anastasia School K-8
- First Reconciliation
- First Holy Communion
- School Masses & Liturgical Celebrations
- Service Learning
- Catholic Schools Week

Middle & High School

- Guardian Angel Program
- Middle School Retreats
- Theology of the Body
- Virtue=Strength
- Sacrament of Confirmation
- Alpha Peer Ministry
- Vocations

Young Adult & Family Life

- Young Adult Ministry
- Sacrament of Matrimony
- Friends & Family Ministry
- Liturgical Ministries
- RCIA
- Bible Study & Parish Studies
- Passion Play
- Pilgrimages

Later Adulthood

- Marriage Retreats
- Sacramental Outreach
- Grandparents Day Masses
- Anointing of the Sick
- Bereavement & Support Services

Serving Beyond Our Walls

St. Anastasia Parish gives back to our community and beyond. In 2023, more than \$198,000 was donated to parish supported charity partners.

Partnerships

- Birthline Lifeline
- Women’s Care Center
- St. Vincent De Paul
- Grace Packs
- Humane Society of St. Lucie County
- Fr. Mark’s Mission School in Tanzania
- Cross Catholic Outreach
- San Juan Diego Mission
- John Carroll Catholic High School

Outreach Activities

- Praying for the Unborn
- Grace Packs Peanut Butter Collections
- Support of Homebound and Sacramental Outreach
- Spiritual development for teachers
- Weekly Mass offered for families
- 40 additional opportunities for families to engage on our campus

Return on Investment

CHURCH FINANCIALS

Revenue: \$1,091,562.18

Expenses: \$956,589.40

Mass Collections & Faith Direct:	\$896,220.62
Interest Income:	\$40,806.24
Other Revenue:	\$30,479.00
Designated Donations:	\$124,056.32
TOTAL REVENUE:	\$1,091,562.18

Church Expenses:	\$267,549.32
Rectory Expenses:	\$41,423.29
Parish Expenses:	\$339,442.70
Office Expenses:	\$308,174.09
TOTAL EXPENSE:	\$956,589.40

SCHOOL FINANCIALS

Revenue: \$6,408,373.00

Expenses: \$6,072,429.00

Tuition revenue:	\$4,642,559.00
Fees:	\$209,329.00
Parish support:	\$204,388.00
Anc./camp/clubs/other:	\$450,292.00
Development revenue:	\$285,121.00
Donations/Other Income:	\$276,224.00
TOTAL REVENUE:	\$6,408,373.00

Salaries & benefits:	\$4,459,621.00
Instructional supplies:	\$219,554.00
Operational costs:	\$490,785.00
Ancillary/camp/clubs/other:	\$231,143.00
Development expenses:	\$347,280.00
Plant Costs/Other:	\$324,073.00
TOTAL EXPENSE:	\$6,072,429.00



2022-2023

Average tuition per child: \$8,058.00

Average cost to educate a child: \$9,705.00

As of June 30, 2023 the school had a positive change in net assets of \$335,944. Of which, \$210,000 was related to our temporary COVID Funding from the Federal Government (EANS). We used this extra funding for professional development, maintenance, and capital improvements.

Building Disciples

Our Church: **35** Baptisms

38 Confirmations

6 Holy Matrimony

260 Liturgical Ministry Members

50+ homebound served through Sacramental Outreach

5 Passion Play Performances

62 First Holy Communions



Our School:

Faculty Profile: Pastor with over **28 years** in priesthood; Average teacher has **15.5 years** of classroom experience; **12** teaching specialists; **22** paraprofessionals; **50%** hold a Master's Degree; and **3** hold Doctoral Degrees.

40% of certified teachers have multiple state certifications; Administration holds graduate degrees in education, Catholic catechetical training, and an average of **15 years** school experience.

Academics:

51% of middle school students in Advanced/Accelerated Math

46% of middle school students in Advanced/Accelerated ELA

370 students in Digital Literacy, Web Development and Digital Art

Student Programs:

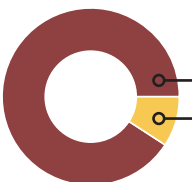
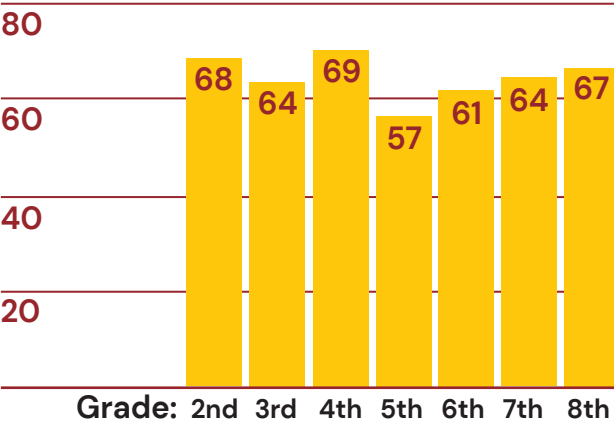
32 Students received RAM Fit Presidential Award

175 students make up 11 athletic teams
180 Students in Intramural Sports

152 total students receive extra support services on campus:
79 students receive learning support through resource classes; **62** students receive speech/language services; and **11** students receive occupational therapy during the school day.

St. Anastasia 2023

Terra Nova Complete Battery



CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Capital Campaign Revenue:	\$651,633.33
Capital Campaign Expenses:	\$60,987.63
Net Capital Campaign:	\$590,645.70

Total Change in Net Assets (Operating + Capital Campaign) **\$725,618.48**

Building on Faith—Joint Capital Campaign

Together We Will See this Vision Through

As a Parish, we recently finished phase one of our first joint Capital Campaign with your support that enabled our church and school community to serve our growing community. Our Building and Grounds Committee and our Stewardship Ministry agreed to continue working and growing together as we prepare for future growth. Sustainability is important for our families, this community and for those we are blessed to serve beyond our parish walls.

Now as we embark on phase two of our Capital Campaign, our goal is to finish the vision that we started and complete renovations to the heart of our campus, the church. **We are excited to share that renovations are scheduled to take place in March of 2024 and conclude before Christmas of 2024.**

We are asking you to intentionally continue to support our community's second Capital Campaign, which is benefiting our families and especially our children. Let us continue together to elevate and improve our physical campus needs with the resources necessary that creates safe and beautiful grounds for all who come to our campus.

How? Your continued prayer for ongoing success in this second campaign is vital, so we can complete what was started in our first campaign. As well as your continued commitment of time, talent and treasure. Together we are sharing our faith and achieving our dreams. Learn more or give online at www.stanastasiachurch.org/capital-campaign.



Ways to Get Involved

Mass Schedule:

- Saturday: 4:00 p.m.
- Sunday: 7:45 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m., & 5:00 p.m.
- Daily Mass: Monday–Saturday, 8:15 a.m.
- Confessions: 3:00–4:00 p.m. Saturdays, or by appointment
- Most daily & weekend Masses are live streamed

Event Schedule:

- Sunrise Easter Mass: March 31, 2024
- Ram's Fun Run: April 12, 2024
- St. Anastasia Feast Day Celebration: October 12, 2024
- Christmas Mass: December 25, 2024
- Building on Faith Gala: February 8, 2025



O Anastasia, Holy Martyr, I am near you, help me to pray. You who know what I and those near me need; intercede for my urgent spiritual and material needs. I confide in you and entrust all to your loving care. Offer up to Jesus that tender and constant care that you bore Him here on earth.

O Holy Anastasia, you who were martyred for the love of our Lord and faith, I beseech of you the grace to meditate on and live the Passion of Jesus and the sufferings of Holy Mary. Pray that I will be able to walk in the path of humility, simplicity, love and sacrifice, fulfilling at all times, and in all ways, the holy will of God. Let me live united with Jesus, the Blessed Virgin and you, for all eternity.

AMEN.



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