



ARCHDIOCESE OF ST. LOUIS

2024 COMBINED FINANCIAL REPORT



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TO THE FAITHFUL OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF ST. LOUIS

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This Advent season, it is my privilege to reflect with you on the past year's victories in the Lord, and it is with this in mind that I present you with the 2024 Combined Financial Report of the Archdiocese of St. Louis. During this year of Revival, we have taken on new challenges, brought together our brothers and sisters in Christ, and opened the doors to new opportunities to serve the Lord with gladness.

The Annual Catholic Appeal set a new bar for possibilities in the Archdiocese of St. Louis this year, raising \$17.2 million with contributions from 31,716 households. Our success stories in this area are simply too numerous to mention here, but I would be remiss not

to mention the tremendous support of Ascension parish in Chesterfield whose contributions to the appeal exceeded one million dollars. Their unwavering commitment to our success will allow us to develop more affordable housing units, strengthen the ministries of our Archdiocese, and reach out in love to those who are hurting. My sincerest gratitude goes out to all those who have given of themselves in support of this effort.

The work of Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of St. Louis once again impacted over 100,000 individuals in the St. Louis area, offering vital assistance



to people of all ages and backgrounds. I was pleased just this month to attend the Spirit of St. Nicholas Ball, an inaugural event that will allow us to support those in need with programs that address mental health and wellness, housing, workforce development, disaster relief, senior care, addiction recovery, services for

immigrants, family and children support services and legal aid. I look forward to attending this event for years to come.

As you consider the various metrics, details and trends contained in the 2024 Combined Financial Report, I pray that you consider each family, school,

charitable endeavor, and evangelization effort that is supported by our careful stewardship of the gifts we have been given. We thank you for the countless ways in which you support and promote these efforts, and we are committed to the care and most heartfelt compassion for the vulnerable among us. Please know that I am praying for you always.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ Mitchell T. Rozanski

*Most Reverend Mitchell T. Rozanski
Archbishop of St. Louis*



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This Annual Financial Review presents the combined financial information of the Archdiocese of St. Louis for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023. The combined financial statements include the accounts of all significant Archdiocesan entities (excluding parishes), which report to the Archbishop of St. Louis and which operate under the auspices of the Archdiocese of St. Louis (Archdiocese). The parishes and parish-related entities are excluded from the combined financial statements because the Archdiocese does not maintain an economic interest in the parishes. Parishes report separately to their parishioners. In preparing the combined statements, the results of each Archdiocesan entity are added together and all intra-diocesan transactions among these entities are eliminated. This report summarizes the financial position and statement of activities, fulfilling an ongoing commitment to financial transparency.

The Archdiocese groups over 70 entities into segments according to similarity of objectives:

- **Catholic Charities** – The Catholic Charities Federation of St. Louis consists of eight agencies that provide social services to residents of the eleven counties of the Archdiocese through three primary areas: elderly services, children services and family and community services.
- **Education** – Includes the Office of Catholic Education and Formation, Archdiocesan and regional high schools, Archdiocesan elementary schools (excluding parish schools), Department of Special Education, and St. Mary’s Special Services, all of which maintain a mission to deliver high quality Catholic education to the residents of the Archdiocese.
- **Other Ministries** – Comprised of entities that service the other needs of the residents of the Archdiocese. Included are Catholic Cemeteries, Kenrick-Glennon Seminary, clergy-related offices, St. Louis Review, Mission Office, Evangelization Parish Ministry and many more.
- **Mission Support** – Entities of the Archdiocese which provide administrative services and financial support to parishes, schools, and agencies of the Archdiocese. And,
- **The St. Louis Archdiocesan Fund** – A separate charitable trust that encompasses the majority of the financial and investment activities of the Archdiocese.

Separate financial statements are prepared for The St. Louis Archdiocesan Fund, but not for the other four segments. This financial report of the Archdiocese of St. Louis is also available at www.archstl.org/finance.

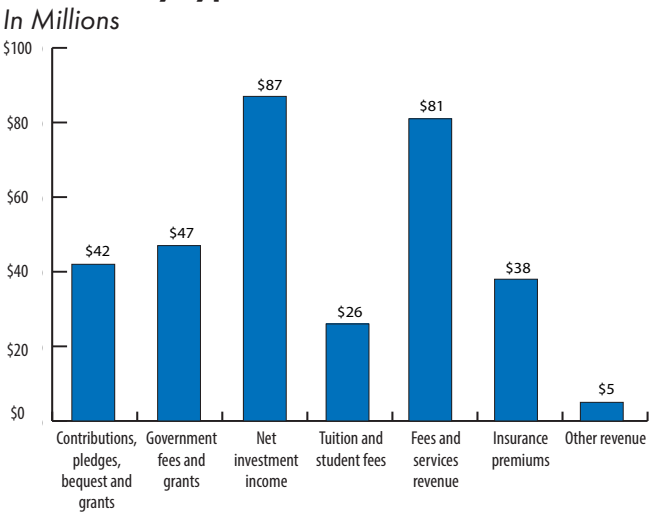
The combined financial statements of the Archdiocese of St. Louis and the financial statements of The St. Louis Archdiocesan Fund were audited by independent certified public accountants. Their audits were conducted in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. The audited financial statements present the financial position and changes in net assets and cash flows of the Archdiocese of St. Louis and of The St. Louis Archdiocesan Fund for the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023 in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The independent auditors rendered unmodified opinions on the audited financial statements. References to 2024 and 2023 are to the Archdiocese’s fiscal years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023.

REVENUES AND EXPENSES

Unrestricted revenues, gains (losses), and other support for the year ended June 30, 2024 were \$351 million (\$310 million for 2023), due primarily to investment income increases of \$27 million. Expenses for the year ended June 30, 2024 were \$310 million versus \$284 million for 2023, an increase of \$27 million or 9%. The most significant increase was attributed to insurance claims and premiums \$13 million, and an increase in other benefit plan related costs \$6 million. Insurance claims and premiums increased primarily due to the Self-Funded Employee Benefit Plan. The current year included one claim over the \$1 million stop loss specific deductible with over \$1 million paid out. There was no claim over the stop loss limit last year. In addition, this year included 45 large dollar claims representing \$12 million paid as compared to 37 large claims in the prior year representing \$8 million paid. The remainder is due to rising healthcare and medicine costs. Other benefit plan related costs increased \$6 million primarily due to a change in demographics of our priest personnel. Twenty-one priests retired since the end of FY23.

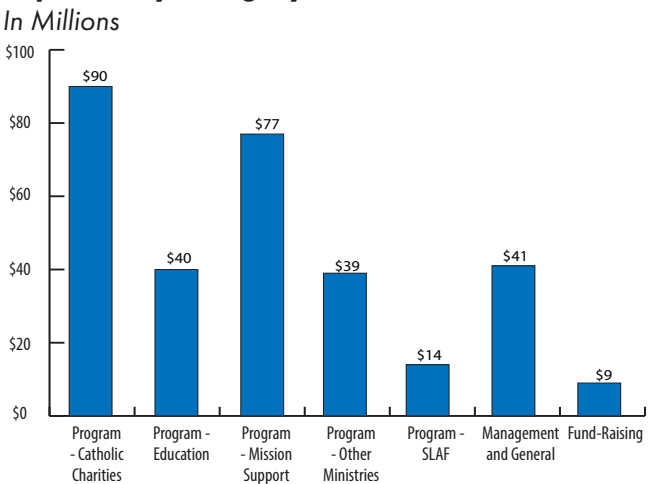
We classify our revenue types as follows:

Revenues by Type — Fiscal Year 2024



The majority (84% in 2024) of the expenses of the Archdiocese relate to the various programs it sponsors. For the year ended June 30, 2024, total program expenses were \$260 million, and are classified by category as follows:

Expenses by Category — Fiscal Year 2024



For the year ended June 30, 2024, unrestricted revenues, gains (losses) and other support exceeded expenses for operating activities by \$41 million, an increase of \$14 million from the \$26 million surplus in 2023. The majority of this increase was attributable to higher investment earnings \$27 million, partially offset by the higher insurance claims \$13 million, both described previously.

NET ASSETS

In keeping with generally accepted accounting principles for not-for-profit entities, the Archdiocese categorizes its net assets as “without donor restriction” and “with donor restriction.” Net Assets without donor restriction are those that are not restricted by donors. Also included in this category are amounts designated by the Archdiocese for specific purposes. Once designated, these amounts generally are not available for other uses. However, these designations can be reversed by the Archdiocese at any time. Net Assets with donor restrictions are those that have been restricted by donors for specific purposes and are not available for other purposes.

Combined net assets of the Archdiocese at June 30, 2024 were \$703 million, of which \$144 million represented net assets with donor restrictions, \$120 million represented funds designated for property and equipment and \$448 million represented funds designated for other purposes. An additional \$3 million represents non-controlling interests in subsidiaries. As a result, the balance presented in the combined financial statements at June 30, 2024 for undesignated net assets was a negative \$13 million.

FINANCE COUNCIL

Canon law requires every diocese to have a finance council. In St. Louis, the Finance Council functions in accordance with written statutes requiring the Council to operate with a maximum of twenty-five members: fifteen to nineteen lay people, three to five officials of the Archdiocese (lay or clergy), two to four pastors, and the Archbishop. The Council provides policy guidance for the work of six committees, each chaired by a lay Council member.

Currently, 17 individuals serve on the Finance Council and 30 additional lay and clergy leaders serve on the committees. The Council meets at least quarterly and is advisory to the Archbishop. Its duties include reviewing financial and operational performance through a series of written and verbal reports submitted by the committees and advising the Archbishop on significant financial matters. While discussions at the Council meetings are strictly confidential, they are open and candid and usually result in unanimous recommendations to the Archbishop.

Council members represent a broad cross-section of Catholic senior business executives from small, medium, and large-sized St. Louis-based companies as well as professionals practicing in the fields of law, accounting, investment, and real estate management. Most have served at one time on their respective parish councils, Catholic agencies, or other not-for-profit boards of directors.

CONCLUSION

As we conclude the reporting of this fiscal year, let us not only celebrate the success in numbers but also the spirit of generosity and compassion that has guided our mission. Through the collective efforts of the St. Louis community and the grace of our faith, we continue to fund education, support social ministries, and serve our wonderful community through numerous other Archdiocesan programs. As is God’s will, let us continue to *Reach out in Love* and let all know Him through our embrace.

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Condensed Combined Statement of Financial Position			
June 30, 2024 and 2023 (in millions)			
Assets	2024	2023	
Cash and restricted cash	\$19	\$24	
Investments in stocks and bonds	1,016	941	
Accounts and other receivables	41	41	
Other assets	34	32	
Property and equipment	175	170	
Total assets	\$1,285	\$1,208	
Liabilities and net assets			
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$43	\$38	
Deferred revenue	20	19	
Accrued future care costs	78	73	
Deposit liabilities	241	228	
Notes payable and other liabilities	81	86	
Priests' retirement liability	119	113	
Total liabilities	582	557	
Net assets without donor restrictions	558	518	
Net assets with donor restrictions	145	133	
Total net assets	703	651	
Total liabilities and net assets	\$1,285	\$1,208	

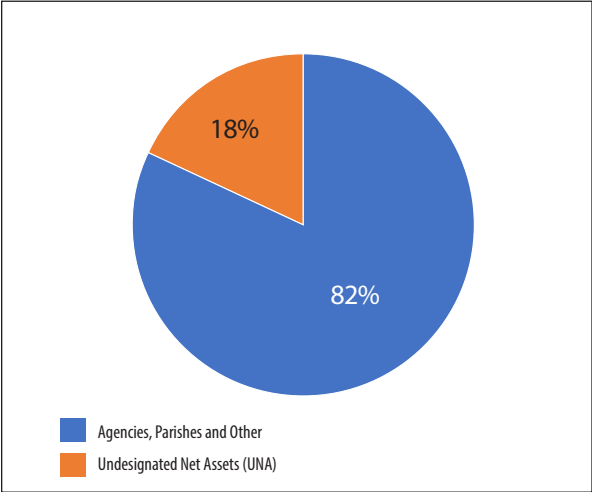
Condensed Combined Statement of Activities			
For the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023 (in millions)			
Changes in Unrestricted Net Assets	2024	2023	
Revenues gains(losses):			
Contributions, pledges, bequests, and grants	\$42	\$44	
Government fees and grants	47	42	
Net investment gains, net of fees	87	59	
Tuition and student fees	26	26	
Fees and services	81	78	
Insurance premiums	38	40	
Net gain(loss) on sale of property	3	(7)	
Other revenues	2	1	
Total revenues and gains w/o donor restrictions	326	283	
Net assets released from restrictions	25	27	
Total revenues, gains and other support without donor restrictions	351	310	
Expenses:			
Program	260	237	
Management and general	41	37	
Fund-raising	9	10	
Total expenses	310	284	
Change in net assets w/o donor restrictions	41	26	
Change in net assets w/ donor restrictions	11	16	
Change in net assets	52	42	
Net assets at beginning of year	651	609	
Net assets at end of year	\$703	\$651	

Condensed Combined Summary of Expenses			
For the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023 (in millions)			
Expenses:	2024	2023	
Salaries and related expenses	\$122	\$120	
Occupancy	14	15	
Supplies and equipment	14	13	
Fees and services	27	28	
Assistance to individuals	13	12	
Insurance claims and premiums paid	46	34	
Grants and assessments	23	21	
Interest expense	14	11	
Other expenses	4	3	
Provision for doubtful accounts	1	1	
Provision for future care costs	10	10	
Depreciation	11	11	
Other benefit plan related costs	11	5	
Total expenses	\$310	\$284	

THE ST. LOUIS ARCHDIOCESAN FUND

The St. Louis Archdiocesan Fund (“SLAF”) is a separate, independent charitable trust, which acts as a financial institution for Archdiocesan entities. SLAF is under the direction of an independent board of trustees, appointed by the Archbishop. The Archdiocesan entities (parishes, agencies, offices and institutions that are accountable civilly and canonically to the Archbishop) can deposit funds into an array of demand and time-based accounts (“Depositors Fund”). In addition, these entities can invest in longer term assets and select from a menu of professionally managed, investment accounts (“Investors Fund”), to pursue higher returns on those assets. Further, these ministries can apply for loans from SLAF to facilitate asset purchases, construction projects, or other missional purposes.

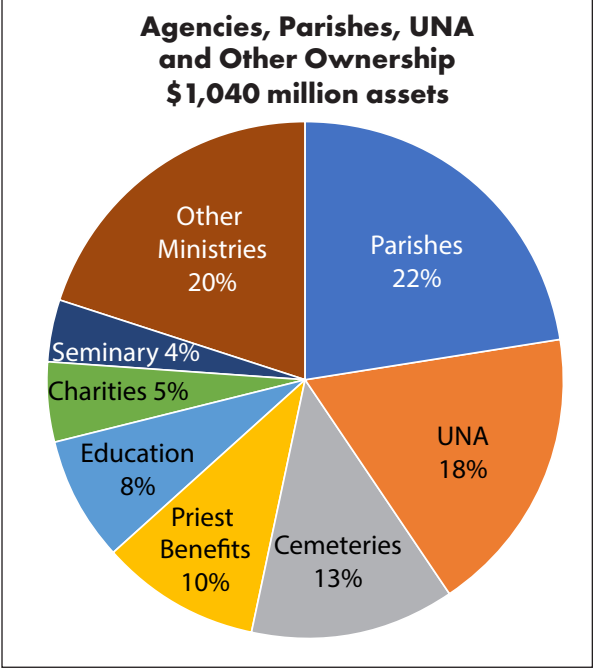
SLAF’s primary purpose is to provide financial services that better enable the ministries of the Archdiocese to fulfill their various missions. Most of the assets held and managed by SLAF are ultimately the assets of the Archdiocesan entities. (See Figure below).



SLAF’s goal is to provide returns that are commensurate with the financial markets, based on each organization’s risk/reward preference. Archdiocesan ministries are required by Archdiocesan policies and statutes to deposit or invest the funds with SLAF that are in excess of their normal operating needs. In turn, SLAF can achieve the necessary scale to provide both professional management of the assets in line with Catholic teachings, and access to loans, in a manner that most of the entities could not easily achieve on their own.

SLAF has 12 trustees, who are charged with the responsibility of ensuring SLAF functions in a professional and prudent manner. The trustees focus principally on making sound lending decisions that further the various missions of the Church and on ensuring the investment portfolio is invested in a manner that maximizes returns, limits risk, and is in accord with Catholic moral teaching.

The Depositors Fund provides demand accounts, money market accounts and certificates of deposits (6 months to 5 years). The Investors Fund allows entities to select from a range of five professionally



managed portfolios, ranging from 25% stocks/75% bonds to 75% stocks/25% bonds (reflecting varying degrees of risk & return potential.¹)

¹ Potential returns are subject to market risk and volatility.

These assets allow SLAF to carry on its operations. These assets are the source of the loans to Archdiocesan entities, while also allowing SLAF to guarantee the principal and interest on the time and demand deposits in the Depositors Fund. The UNA also serves as the source of grants to the Archdiocese, helping to minimize the cathedra- ticism that the Archdiocesan entities pay. For the year ending June 30, 2024, SLAF provided two grants for more than \$10 million.

SLAF earnings are returned to the Archdiocesan agencies or parishes based on their investment selections. For the Depositors Fund, fixed income returns are competitive with local banks and investing firms.

For the Investors Fund, the interest, dividends, and net gains (losses) are allocated based on the portfolio chosen by the account holders. The aggregate mix of the investments as of June 30, 2024, was 64% equities and 36% fixed income securities. Investment returns allocated to agencies and parishes are shown as SLAF expense. Returns for the Investor Fund were:

Annual return *	Equities	Fixed
One year	15.9%	3.9%
Three years (average)	4.3%	(2.4%)
Five years (average)	9.2%	0.5%

^{*}Representative mix of 65% equities/35% Fixed. Results vary based on portfolio selected and market volatility

Compliance:

SLAF is audited on an annual basis by a 3rd party accounting firm. Detailed financial statements are available upon request.



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The St. Louis Archdiocesan Fund

Condensed Statement of Financial Position
June 30, 2024 and 2023 (in millions)

Assets	2024	2023
Cash and restricted cash	\$10	\$15
Investments in stocks and bonds on behalf of Ministries	1,020	941
Loans, net, to Ministries	10	13
Total assets	\$1,040	\$969
Liabilities and net assets		
Depositors’ Fund		
Deposits by Ministries in checking and interest bearing accounts	\$346	\$333
Investors’ Fund		
Long term investments on behalf of Ministries (i.e., varying stocks and bond portfolios)	507	479
Total held for Ministries	853	812
Net assets without donor restrictions	187	157
Total liabilities and net assets	\$1,040	\$969

“Ministries”: parishes, agencies and other Archdiocesan ministries.

Condensed Statement of Activities

For the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023 (in millions)

Revenues	2024	2023
Net gain investments	\$77	\$54
Interest and dividends, net	20	15
Fees & other	6	6
Total revenues	\$103	\$75
Expenses		
Interest: Ministries	\$7	\$2
Investment earnings: Ministries	54	50
Grants: admin. & education	10	6
Other	2	2
Total expenses	\$73	\$60
Change in net assets of UNA	\$30	\$15