

## US CATHOLIC CHURCH

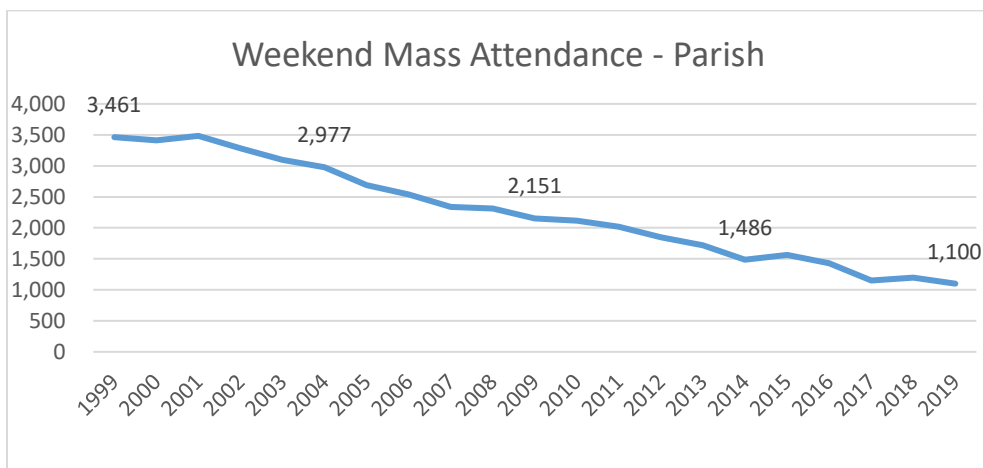
- Catholic marriages are down 55% since 1990
- Baptisms went from 986,000 to 694,000 (-30%)
- 1 in 5 children baptized do not receive 1<sup>st</sup> communion
- 2 in 5 children baptized are not confirmed
- 85% of children confirmed stop practicing their faith by age 21
- Millennials are less religious than preceding generations

## ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

- **27% Decline in Mass attendance:** 150,000+ fewer people attend Mass each Sunday compared to 20 years ago.
- **Significant population shifts:** Areas of Chicago that were once predominantly Catholic with a parish for each ethnic group now have fewer people and fewer Catholics but often the same number of facilities as in the past.
- **Fewer priests to serve our communities:** More than 160 priests will reach retirement age in the next decade with fewer priests being ordained per year (5-6 in each of the past two years) to replace them.
- **An aging infrastructure:** Many parishes are **significantly under-investing** in building repairs, leading to challenges with building upkeep that take time and resources away from ministry.
- **Insufficient resources to invest in ministry:** Over 40% of parishes in the archdiocese do not have a full-time staff member dedicated to ministry except for the priest.

**OUR PARISH GROUPING INCLUDES-** St. Elizabeth Seton Parish, St. Francis of Assisi Parish, St. George Parish and School, St. Julie Billiart Parish, St. Michael Parish and School, Our Lady of the Woods Parish, St. Stephen Deacon and Martyr Parish, and Cardinal Joseph Bernardin School

## ST. GEORGE PARISH



### Parish Mass attendance:

- As reported in the annual October Count, weekend Mass attendance in 2019 was 68% lower than 1999, 49% lower than 2009, and 26% lower than 2014.

*Average attendance at each Mass (2019 compared to 2009 and 1999):*

<b>October 2019</b>	<b>October 2009</b>	<b>October 1999</b>
Saturday, 4:00pm: 356	Saturday, 4:00pm: 519	Saturday, 4:00pm: 681
	Saturday, 6:00pm: 235	Saturday, 6:00pm: 341
Sunday, 7:30am: 175	Sunday, 7:00am: 203	Sunday, 7:00am: 294
	Sunday 8:30am: 323	Sunday 8:30am: 615
Sunday, 9:30am: 322	Sunday, 10:00am: 439	Sunday, 10:00am: 839
Sunday, 11:30am: 228	Sunday, 11:30am: 367	Sunday, 11:30am: 691
Sunday 4pm at Edenbridge: 20	Sunday 4pm: 50	

*Sacraments and Funerals July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019*

	<b>Parish</b>	<b>Median in diocese (2018-19)</b>	<b>Highest 25% in diocese (2018-19)</b>
<b>Baptisms &lt; 7 yrs old</b>	45	46	81
<b>First Communion &lt; 18 yrs</b>	41	46	82
<b>Confirmations &lt;18 yrs</b>	33	42	80
<b>Weddings</b>	6	8	15
<b>Funerals</b>	105	29	48

*Financial information*

- Reported financial results from the parish. Fiscal Year 2019 is July 1, 2018, to June 30, 2019 (not impacted by

<b>Revenue item</b>	<b>FY2019 (pre Covid)</b>	<b>FY2020 (impacted by Covid)</b>
Collections (Sunday, Holy Day, Christmas, Easter)	\$909,238	\$828,113
Total operating revenue (inclusive of collections)	\$1,047,633	\$1,018,171

Covid). Fiscal Year 2020 is July 1, 2019, to June 30, 2020 (impacted by Covid).

- Sunday collections are currently averaging 90% of pre Covid totals.
- Parish had \$2,391,202 on deposit with the archdiocesan bank as of December 31, 2020. No debt.

School enrollment: 217 students in PreK through 8<sup>th</sup> grade in 2020-21. 185 students in 2019-20.