



St. Anthony on the Desert Episcopal Church

***Annual Meeting
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Meeting Minutes

Opening Address: Celebrant

Pastor Dorian opened the meeting with an explanation of why we incorporate the Annual Meeting into a worship service.

Senior Warden

Cyndi Sax called the annual meeting to order at 10:08. A quorum was present. Cyndi moved that we dispense with the reading of the 2013 Annual Report (available for review on the St. Anthony website, in the Narthex and Church Office) and moved that the congregation approve it. There was a unanimous vote to accept the Annual Report as presented.

Sermon

Following the Gospel reading, Dorian's sermon reflected on the Gospel in the context of how we as a community find our passion to spread God's light. She provided history on the importance of the regions and how much darkness had plagued those regions. Jesus will now provide God's light in these regions, which is where his ministry begins. Jesus begins to establish his community of disciples and they embrace his message and follow him on this journey.

Dorian challenged us on how we will recognize this call, when we don't know:

- 1) Jesus opens a passion in each of us
- 2) Reflect on things that draw on our hearts, which is different for each of us
- 3) Recognize desire was planted by Christ, all we need is the willingness to take a risk

Dorian reflected on how God has guided our ministries to grow and multiply within St. Anthony. If we want to follow Jesus, it will always be to places of darkness that need God's light.

A Time of Reflection

Dorian asked for a time of reflection where the congregation was invited to journal in response to questions posed on the yellow sheet distributed to each member of the congregation.

1. Before beginning to write, spend a few moments reflecting on the following:
 - a. What tugs at your heart?
 - b. What gives you energy?
 - c. What places do you use your gifts that bring you joy?
2. What might your mission look like if you lived out your passion for Christ in both the congregation and your community?

After some time allowed for reflection, the ushers gathered the yellow sheets for compilation and consideration by the Vestry during their upcoming retreat and in planning for the coming year.

Video – Special Dream - Haiti Mission Trip

Cyndi Sax provided an introduction to a video that provided a recap of the connection between St. Anthony and St. Croix Episcopal Church, School and Hospital in Haiti. This connection has evolved over the past few years to a mission trip by St. Anthony parishioners in July 2014. Cyndi encourage the community to review the mission trip project flyer for various ways that we can support the ongoing efforts in Haiti.

Financial Highlights: Keith Kendrick

Keith provided an overview of the financial highlights for 2013 and 2014.

2013 was a busy year at St. Anthony with many things to celebrate. From a financial standpoint, here are the highlights (submitted by Barbara Ells).

1. **Pledge Income and Other Giving:** We are blessed with income from several sources, but we are primarily dependent on the gifts that we receive from those who worship with us to pay our operating costs – staff, utilities, mortgage, etc. In 2013, 70% of our income was from giving, and of those donations, 82% came from pledges. The remaining came from our plate income, non-pledge givers, and holiday giving. In 2013, total donations exceeded our budget by over \$13,800.
2. **Successful Fundraisers:** We hold two major fundraisers each year. Our Spirit Auction brought in over \$15,200 to support St. Anthony's Mission and Ministries. The Golf Tournament, in its third year, brought in over \$19,500. This tournament draws many from outside our parish and I am happy to announce that \$16,000 of those net proceeds will go to Outreach Grants. The Outreach ministries of St. Anthony will be able to request grants to support the wonderful ministries that St. Anthony supports beyond our parish. The remaining Golf Tournament funds supported our Youth Ministry Outreach here at St. Anthony.
3. **Montessori School:** We are fortunate to have a Montessori School on our campus. They contribute over \$64,000 to our budget and are a wonderful addition to our campus life.
4. **Walking the Mourner's Path** had another successful year bringing in \$28,765 of which \$8,765 was held in reserves for future development. The balance of \$20,000 was used to support St. Anthony's operating expenses.
5. **Youth Ministry Apprentice Program:** Will Strong is in his second year as our Youth Minister and we continue to see the program grow. St. Anthony is in the third year of a five year grant administered by the Diocese to support Youth Ministry in parishes. This program is a community outreach program to reach unchurched youth in our communities. The Youth minister receives training from the Diocese during the first years of the program, with the hopes that the Youth program will grow and attract not only new Youth to our programs but young families to our parish. The grant covers a portion of the salary and the program expense and the parish pays the balance. Each year of the program we pay a larger share of the total cost of the program. For 2013, our share of the expenses was 38%, or \$18,475 which was partially paid by a generous designated gift.
6. **Youth Room transformation & Parish Hall renovation:** With labor from our staff and many volunteers and designated special gifts we were able to renovate and update our Youth Room, Parish Hall and Kitchen. In addition, with a grant from the Diocese and some Legacy Funds, we removed the stage area of the parish hall to make the room totally wheelchair accessible.
7. **Legacy and Endowment Gifts:** in 2013 we received a \$10,000 Legacy gift and a \$7,500 gift to our Endowment Fund.
8. **Mortgage:** Our mortgage balance is now \$732,755 with 18 years remaining. Our mortgage payment is \$5,329 for a total of nearly \$64,000 a year.
9. **Net Cash Receipts:** For the year, net cash receipts exceeded our disbursements by \$20,550. The Vestry allocated the excess funds as follows:

\$4,000	To fund a financial audit in 2014
\$11,950	Add to our Deferred Maintenance & Repair fund
\$4,600	Fund the 2014 projected budget deficit

Barbara Ells will hold a financial forum after both services in mid February.

Recognition of Retiring Vestry Members: Claudia Johnson, Richard Sinclair, Fran Garrett and Rob Gotwals

Recognition of Dedication and Contributions: Jill Kyler

Presentation of our Appointed Senior Warden & Treasurer

- Dorian Mulvey presented the following nominees:
 - o Continued appointment of Cyndi Sax as Senior Warden
 - o Continued appointment of Barbara Ells as Treasurer

Presentation of Vestry Nomination Slate & Election

- Cyndi Sax presented the Vestry Nomination Slate:
 - o Junior Warden: Mario Vassaux
 - o Three year Vestry Terms: Harry Boysen and Leanne Murrillo
 - o One year Vestry Term: Jeanne Paige

No other nominations from floor, congregation voted by acclamation to approve all nominations.

Presentation & Election of Convention Delegates

- Alternate Delegates for 2014: Fran Garrett, Claudia Johnson, Leanne Murrillo, Lillian Roodvelt and Jill Kyler

No other nominations from floor, congregation voted by acclamation to approve all nominations. The alternate delegates will become the convention delegates in 2015.

Connected in Christ – Video

We give thanks for the many connections made in Christ's love within St. Anthony and beyond our walls.

Commissioning of New Vestry

All the newly elected and continuing Vestry Members, Wardens and Treasurer were commissioned by Dorian Mulvey.

Call to Adjourn Annual Meeting: Senior Warden

- Cyndi Sax adjourned the meeting at 11:55am.

Respectfully submitted,

Fran Garrett
Clerk of the Vestry

Rector's Report – The Rev. Dorian Mulvey

When Jesus called his first disciples he promised them a changed identity. As he invited Peter, Andrew, James and John to follow him he told them “I’ll make a new kind of fisherman out of you.” And then a bit later he explained that he would teach them to “fish for people.” I’m sure these disciples were pretty confused by this offer and wondered what sorts of special equipment they would need for such a task. But, what Jesus went on to show them was that they already possessed everything needed. The seeds of God’s kingdom were within them. They simply needed to learn how to make the kingdom more visible to others.

Jesus issues this same invitation to us – to learn how to become the message of God’s love to others. Of course this isn’t something that happens overnight. It takes a lot of patience and time to discern the gifts we possess and how they might be used. And, it takes practice and experimenting to build confidence in using these gifts before our new identity is fully revealed. This is true for us individually and as a church community.

As you review the stories within this report from various ministries you will see St. Anthony’s identity emerging. There has been much experimentation and testing of our gifts and skills whether it was a mission team working on a construction project in Haiti or our middle school and high school age youth making connections through service with children in the Phoenix area. Each time we stretch and challenge ourselves to try something new we learn more about ourselves and what God fully knows we can be.

Another significant area of identity change for St. Anthony can be seen through the lens of our finances. A church that was once unable to fully fund its operating budget has become a church capable of extending funds and support well beyond our walls. This is the result of the spiritual growth and generosity of our members who are willing to stretch and give more of their resources to make a difference in the lives of others.

We are not yet fully formed – not yet fully all that God knows we can be – but it is important to acknowledge and celebrate the identity emerging. God’s transformative powers are at work within us and within this community. And at some distant day, may we, much like some ancient fishermen, discover we too have become the Message of God’s kingdom of love and grace.

In Christ,
Dorian

Senior Warden Report – Cyndi Sax

Vestry Members: Cyndi Sax, Sr. Warden; Mario Vassaux, Junior Warden; Janelle Liffiton, Clerk; Barbara Ells, Treasurer; Harry Boysen; Bob Burns; Cindy Cordes; Leanne Murillo; Sue Vold. Retired Vestry Members: Keith Kendrick; Jeanne Paige.

The Vestry is the fiduciary body of the church, providing management and leadership to the congregation. Our responsibility is to be good stewards of the gifts given to St. Anthony, manage the resources entrusted to us and articulate God's vision for our church. This includes discerning mission, engaging in both short-term and long-term planning, communicating with the congregation, pursuing and promoting spiritual growth. Vestry members are elected to serve at the parish Annual Meeting. It is a role that comes not only with great responsibility, but also with tremendous blessing. On behalf of the entire Vestry, I thank the congregation for entrusting us with the opportunity to serve during 2014.

The Vestry experienced some turnover mid-year as two members found it necessary to resign because of unanticipated events in their personal lives. We recognize and appreciate the contributions of Keith Kendrick and Jeanne Paige. Each brought significant commitment to their role, passion for service, and made unique and significant contributions through their ministries. The parish bylaws allow for Vestry positions that are vacated mid-term to either remain open or to be filled by appointment. After due consideration, we agreed to leave these two positions open until the January 2015 Annual Meeting, when nominations will be made for them to be filled. The Vestry operated smoothly for the remainder of the year with nine members (including the Treasurer).

The Vestry focused on team formation during its annual retreat at Chapel Rock in Prescott during the month of February. We spent the weekend getting to know each other, reflecting on the similarities and differences of secular leaders and lay leadership in the church. We explored concepts of reflection, dialogue, discernment and coaching as we began to envision the next phase in the future of St. Anthony. We practiced those four skills as we read and processed responses from congregation members that were shared during the Annual Meeting addressing the question of how our individual and collective missions reflect our passion for Christ.

In the Treasurer's Report, you will find a detailed summary of St. Anthony's financial activities and position during 2014. The Vestry devoted significant time, prayer, and effort during the year addressing several key components of our congregational life that impact both our financial decisions and our ministry in the world: stewardship and outreach. It has been wonderful to observe and experience the many ways that God's presence among us is evident as we live, dream, and serve side by side...a successful stewardship campaign; major progress on important building maintenance projects; growth in outreach ministries and mission; welcoming Pere Kerwin from Leogane, Haiti; strengthening of Walking the Mourner's Path; and so much more.

During the Annual Meeting, we will honor the service of outgoing vestry member Bob Burns, whose practical approach to problem solving, combined with his wit and relaxed demeanor, has contributed greatly to this Vestry's effectiveness. This will also be my final year in serving as your Senior Warden. I thank Pastor Dorian and all of you for the trust and confidence that you have placed in me these past three years. St. Anthony on the Desert is truly blessed by the presence, ministry, financial support, and the generous sharing of the time and talents of all its members. Together we accomplish much, much more than any of us could accomplish alone. I am so very grateful for having had the opportunity to minister alongside you, to learn from you, and to share in the communal life of our parish in this meaningful way.

May God continue to bless St. Anthony, and each of you, with His grace and peace.

In His Love,
Cyndi

Junior Warden Report – Mario Vassaux

I would like to begin my report by thanking everyone who has volunteered their time, efforts and financial contributions to helping keep our church and facilities operational and beautiful this year. We could not have done it without your help. Thank you!

Through your generous funding of our legacy fund and the “Make It Yours” campaign, we were able to perform major upkeep and maintenance to key church facility items. These included:

- Computer and server replacements
- Major repairs to air conditioning systems
- Painting of Church sanctuary and bell tower
- Church grounds beautification and landscaping

Special thanks to John Kyler, Bob Clarke, James Bruzzi and the men of MOSA; who have regularly worked on so many projects that keep our facilities, infrastructure and grounds operational and beautiful. Thank you Kelle Hohl for helping coordinate and manage all of our efforts.

Looking forward to 2015, we will continue major maintenance, which includes:

- On-going air conditioning repairs
- Plumbing updates
- Electrical updates
- Landscaping projects
- New security camera system installed
- Repairs to inside and outside lighting (planned early in the new year)

Thanks again to everyone for your support and assistance.

Ministry Organization for 2014

Christian Formation

- Children's Ministry – Suzette Woods
- Youth Ministry – Will Strong
- Adult Formation
 - Sunday Café – Dorian Mulvey, Jill Kyler, John Millar
 - Confirmation Classes – Dorian Mulvey, Jill Kyler, John Millar
 - Lenten program – Dorian Mulvey, Jill Kyler, John Millar
 - EFM – Susan Cihak

Life Sharing

- Unbinding the Soul Groups – Malcolm Hilcove
- Arts Council – Claudia Smith
- Avid Readers – Eloise Crosman
- Desert Diners – Barbara Goldstein, Marianne Clarke
- Winter Residents/Seniors Group – Margaret Sinclair, Carol Stott
- Coffee Hour Hospitality – Leanne Murillo
- Welcome Team – Jill Kyler
- Blessings of Belonging (BOB) – Claudia Johnson, Gina Baker
- Communication – Jill Kyler
- Wedding Guild – Cindy Cordes, Debbie Fox
- Legacy Society – Malcolm Hilcove
- Memorial Garden – Jean Sullens

Pastoral Ministries

- Helping Hearts and Hands – Pat Schmid
- Prayer Chain – Inge Bolan
- Healing Prayer – Rosemary Hansen
- Eucharistic Visitors – Susan Cihak
- Walking the Mourners Path
 - National Ministry – Catherine Gilbert
 - St. Anthony Ministry – Leanne Murrillo

Outreach Ministries

- Golf Tournament team – Malcolm Hilcove
- Habitat for Humanity – Jon Thom
- MOSA – Bob Clarke
- East Valley Men's Center – Jon Bost
- Vista del Camino & Paradise Valley Food Bank – Grant Gilfeather
- Global Outreach – Becky Pearson
 - Rwanda – Becky Pearson
 - Haiti – David Paige
 - Kids Clinic Partners – Mark Close
- Council Against Domestic Violence – Eloise Crosman
- Needlecrafts for Need – Claudia Johnson, Janet Allen

Spiritual Nourishment

- Acolytes – Janelle Liffiton
- Eucharistic Ministers – Cyndi Sax, Leanne Murrillo
- Choirs – Joe Hacnik
- Altar Guild – Sue Vold
- Flower Guild – Cindy Cordes
- Ushers – Suzi & Sam Edmondson

Operations/Facilities

- Landscape Team – James Bruzzi
- Office Angels – Kelle Hohl
- Spirit Auction team – Becky Pearson, Janelle Liffiton
- Stewardship – Harry Boysen, Kathy Phillips, Cyndi Sax, Dorian Mulvey
- Investment Management team – Jackie Ernst

Vestry Terms of Office

Class of 2015

- Bob Burns
- Janelle Liffiton

Class of 2016

- Cindy Cordes
- Sue Vold

Class of 2017

- Harry Boysen
- Leanne Murrillo

Vestry Slate for 2015

Senior Warden – Harry Boysen

Junior Warden – Mario Vassaux

3-Year Term

- Hal Hunt

2-Year Terms

- Eloise Crosman
- Malcolm Hilcove

1-Year Terms

- Janelle Liffiton
- Henry Male

Diocesan Convention Delegate Slate

Delegates for 2015 (Elected in 2014)

- Fran Garrett
- Claudia Johnson
- Jill Kyler
- Leanne Murrillo
- Lillian Roodveldt

2015 Alternates/2016 Delegates (Elect 5)

- Marianne Clarke
- Eloise Crosman
- Allen Henry
- Susan Mitchler
- Sue Vold

Attendance Statistics – Twelve Years

TOTAL ATTENDANCE ALL SERVICES

2003	17,704
2004	19,683
2005	20,261
2006	19,319
2007	15,296
2008	14,421
2009	13,361
2010	12,673
2011	11,003
2012	10,997
2013	11,296
2014	10,749

TOTAL ATTENDANCE ALL EASTER SERVICES

2003	762
2004	886
2005	928
2006	842
2007	739
2008	637
2009	574
2010	578
2011	411
2012	399
2013	443
2014	431

AVERAGE SUNDAY SERVICE ATTENDANCE

2003	306
2004	353
2005	307
2006	298
2007	258
2008	245
2009	236
2010	201
2011	194
2012	188
2013	190
2014	184

TOTAL ATTENDANCE ALL CHRISTMAS SERVICES

2003	993
2004	1027
2005	859
2006	808
2007	646
2008	630
2009	525
2010	515
2011	584
2012	452
2013	540
2014	440

Ministry Reports

Christian Formation

Children's Ministry - submitted by Suzette Woods

Ministry team members – Chapel: Eloise Crosman, Melody Taylor, Kathryn Lewis, Steven Cihak, Deacon Susan Cihak, Steve Judge, Leanne Murrillo, Janelle Liffiton, and Bob & Marianne Clarke. Sunday School: Karen Twibell, Melody Taylor, Andrea Parrella, Suzette Woods, and Kelle Hohl. Nursery: Jamie Scott, Justin Hinch and Marissa Mulvey.

I started as Children's Formation Director in June of this year. Thanks to the support of our congregation, vestry and staff, it has been a successful start and a busy year for the children of St. Anthony.

- St. Anthony Children's Ministries' goal is to foster faith through stories, art and creative worship experiences in a warm and accepting atmosphere.
- During chapel and Sunday school, children are given the opportunity to reflect on Bible stories and relate them to their daily experiences. They also participate in outreach projects in our church and broader communities.
- Jamie Scott and Justin Hinch, our Nursery Coordinators, provides care, play and crafts for our youngest children each Sunday.
- In August, the children joined the youth for a day during "Youth Week" and gave of their time at Feed My Starving Children. The children and youth raised \$300.00 for donation.
- During Sunday school the children have lovingly decorated over 200 lunch bags to be used by MOSA for packing lunches for the East Valley Men's Shelter.
- The children also painted beautiful watercolor book marks for the Needlecrafts for Need ministries annual Christmas Bazaar which raised \$36.00.
- In November a pet food drive was held in conjunction with the Blessing of the Animals, with proceeds delivered to the Fearless Kitty rescue Shelter in Fountain Hills.
- In December the children participated in the Annual Christmas Pageant, directed by Scott Woods and Will Strong.

Youth Ministry – submitted by Will Strong

2014 was another fabulous year for the youth ministry program at St. Anthony.

- In February we hosted our annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake fundraiser and made about \$500.
- March we held the annual youth rummage sale and raised roughly \$3000.
- We had a student attend Chapel Rock Summer camp and have a fantastic time.
- We took our annual mission trip to Pensacola, Florida and helped rehab homes by painting, building, and sweating! ☺ (We were blessed by the hospitality of former parishioners Warren and Mia Jerrems)
- Our 2nd Annual Youth Week was a huge success.
- We kicked off the Sunday night youth group in August.
- Once or twice a month we have done outreach projects in partnership with Hands On Phoenix.
- At the annual Christmas party the youth raised close to \$200 in gift cards to donate to Vista Del Comino.
- Weekly volunteers have been a HUGE blessing and have made this program extremely successful. They are Jill Kyler, Jack Taylor, and Scott Woods.

Thanks for your support. Moving forward to 2015!

Adult Formation – submitted by Dorian Mulvey

Ministry team members – Jill Kyler, John Millar, Dorian Mulvey

The Adult Formation ministry team is responsible for several formation offerings. Sunday Café presentations in 2014 utilized a book titled *Your Living Compass* to explore various aspects of our lives and to seek a better balance among them. Topics covered included spirituality, rest and play, vocation and organization. This series will continue in early 2015 with a focus on areas such as relationships, emotions, stress resiliency and care for the body.

A second area of adult formation offerings is the Wednesday evening Lenten program. In 2014 there was a choice among three offerings:

- The Way of the Cross – an exploration of the stations of the cross through art and meditations
- The Spirit of Imperfection – reflecting on the profound truth of the statement “I am not perfect”
- Enough Already – a new approach to Bible study through the use of scripture, silence and journaling

An additional formation offering in the fall was *Your Faith, Your Life* – exploring all that it means to be an Episcopalian through small group study and discussion.

Education for Ministry (EFM) – Susan Cihak

Education for Ministry (EfM) is a unique four-year distance learning certificate program in theological education based upon small-group study and practice that started in 1975. The program is based at the Beecken Center of the School of Theology at the University of the South in Sewanee, Tennessee. EfM has had over 80,000 participants worldwide and is contracted with 93 dioceses in the Episcopal Church.

The program is four years and each year is taken in order, but participants only enroll one year at a time to allow flexibility in timing for participants as you may take time off.

- Year 1 is Old Testament
- Year 2 is New Testament
- Year 3 is Church History
- Year 4 is Theology

The heart of the program is learning about and doing Theological Reflection (TR) which integrates our daily life experiences and world with our reading for the year. There are also smaller, current books in the curriculum added to the year and prayer is also a part of the EfM experience. Each group consists of no more than 12 participants and a minimum of 6.

In 2014 St. Anthony has 6 participants who are in either year 1 or year 2 of the program. Our program year goes from Fall to Spring meeting for 34 weeks. We look forward to growing in the Fall of 2014.

Life Sharing

Unbinding the Soul groups – submitted by Malcolm Hilcove

Team Members: Jill Kyler, Leanne Murillo, Claudia Johnson, Malcolm Hilcove

Keeping it Real...*An experiment in faith and spirituality*

Who knows what can happen next if we'll do three simple things—talk honestly, pray and explore new ideas. We don't need to know everything. We don't have to be perfect. All we need is to be willing, and God will meet us. A life of faith isn't a sprint. It's a marathon. Marathons are built on slow, steady, daily training. If this interests you, consider a journey with us. Join a small group for four weeks to talk about things that matter and develop connections that count—with God, with others and with yourself.

Only one “unbinding” four-week session was held this year at Malcolm and Peggy Hilcove's home. It was attended by John and Marianne Bost, Peter Hickey, Kathleen Daiker and Dominique Horsman.

So far we have had 40 St. Anthony parishioners and approximately 19 non-parishioners take part in the Unbinding sessions. The percentage of parishioners that have taken part is still only about 20%, which remains an opportunity for this ministry. Two further sessions are planned for January through March, 2015 and have 15 confirmed attendees signed up.

Arts Council – submitted by Claudia Smith

Our mission is to give the professional artist and the non-professional hobbyist the opportunity to share their God-given talents and love of creating. We believe that these shared gifts nourish spirituality and faith. Both the creator and the viewer experience this uplifting journey.

This journey of creativity grows from the soul of the artist, connects to the viewer, and reaches out to members of the surrounding community. This is facilitated through articles written for *The Fountain Hills Times*, and the St. Anthony bulletin and website.

Since 2003, the Arts Council has been privileged to bring a variety of talented people to St. Anthony. There have been painters in watercolor, pastel, acrylic and oil. We've presented work in pen & ink, photography, paper-clay sculpture, jewelry, mixed-media, calligraphy, charcoal, pencil, block printing and digital art.

There has been work from our youth to an artist who was 90 years young! We've had a photographer from as far away as Gig Harbor, Washington. Our current husband and wife team is from Massachusetts. It's been a wonderful array of talent. We at St. Anthony are blessed to have had their art displayed here over the years. The Arts Council applauds them, and thanks them. Pause for a moment and think of that bare wall without these talented, generous people.

This season's exhibits began with Gregory Pearce's “Parkinson's” Groups workshops from around the valley. Following that delightful exhibit, came Donna Klein from Sedona with her beautiful digital art. The current exhibit is by Sam and Rosalie Lazarus, an extremely talented pair who are adept at various mediums. In February, there will be Joan Rand. Joan is a Fountain Hills resident, and a constant winner in juried shows. Finally, the last scheduled exhibit of the season will be one displaying works of art from each St. Anthony member artist.

The Arts Council will continue to reach out to members and to the surrounding communities to find contributors to their mission. We ask that St. Anthony members help in this endeavor.

Avid Readers – submitted by Eloise Crosman

Contact People: Grant or Susan Gilfeather, Eloise Crosman

Avid Readers is a group of St. Anthony members and friends who like to read a variety of good books. If you enjoy curling up in a comfy chair with a book or an e-reader, or listening to an audio book in your car and then discussing what you've read with others, consider joining Avid Readers, St. Anthony's book discussion group. Come every month, as often as your schedule allows, or for any discussion that especially appeals to you.

In June, everyone is invited to come with suggestions to compile the following year's list of books. A variety of genres is included – fiction, non-fiction, biographies, mysteries, etc. This year, the group decided not to meet in December and July due to busy schedules and members' travels.

On the third Tuesday of each month, about 6 -15 people, members of St. Anthony and the community at large, meet in the choir room. Those who wish to do so meet at a local restaurant before the monthly discussion. This has been very popular and affords a good opportunity to socialize.

Each month's book stimulates great discussions – everyone is welcome to join the discussions. Even if you've not had the opportunity to read (or finish) the book, the discussions and fellowship are rewarding. You'll probably want to come back for another meeting! Copies of the book selections for 2014-15 are available in the narthex or in the Church Office.

Desert Diners – submitted by Barbara Goldstein and Marianne Clarke

Desert Diners is a 4-month session where participating parishioners gather to share a meal at a home or other location each month. Each session is designed for deeper fellowship with the participants and participants need not be a member of St Anthony on the Desert. A typical session will have a convener who will reach out to the group (6-8 members) initially and arrange the date and host the first gathering. During that evening, the next gathering will be scheduled. There are two sessions each year. Winter session runs from Dec – April and summer session runs from June – October.

Prior to each session starting, the co-chairs are responsible for ensuring advertising is done in the weekly newsletter and in the church bulletin leading up to the enrollment deadline. Sign-up sheets are printed up and are available before worship services during the enrollment period. Once a sign-up sheet is collected, a co-chair will email the participant thanking them for their interest and that more information will follow shortly. At the end of the enrollment period, the co-chairs create groups from the sign-ups. One last email is then sent out announcing the group members and identifying the convener for each group. From there, all correspondence will be done within the groups. This is typically where the communication ends between the groups and co-chairs.

Due to a low level of participation, Desert Diners is currently on hold. The co-chairs are assessing options to make this ministry more appealing to a wider range of parishioners. We welcome input from the parish.

Coffee Hour Hospitality – submitted by Leanne Murillo

The Hospitality Ministry fosters connections and nurtures friendships in welcoming guests, visitors, and strangers by providing coffee and refreshments after both services on Sunday. The ministry additionally assists with special events held at St. Anthony.

Each Sunday either individuals, groups or couples assist to create a sense of belonging through love and caring by offering a period of time and place for our members to meet, converse and grow in fellowship.

We welcome and thank everyone for all donations of refreshments and supplies for our kitchen. If you enjoy baking or creating new dishes please feel free to sign up for a coffee hour. As another year comes around, please join us to be a Life-Home in Christ for all.

Winter Residents/Seniors Group – submitted by Carol Stott and Margaret Sinclair

The Seniors and Winter Residents group was started to help the winter Residents connect with one another. Since then we have expanded to include all Seniors (and almost Seniors) of the parish. The ministry has grown from an original group of about 20 to almost 80 members. We meet monthly from October through April for a social gathering in members' homes, parish hall or other locations of interest to the group. Our group continues to grow and we have welcomed many newcomers to St Anthony into our group. The Senior/Winter Resident monthly events offer a great opportunity for seasonal residents to feel welcomed back to the 'Life Home' in Arizona. While our mission is to offer a welcome for seasonal members of our St Anthony's family there are many full time residents who form lasting friendships through the group.

This year we have again committed to prepare and serve dinner for The East Valley Men's Shelter. This has been a very popular activity for our group. We have supported the Annual Parish Fund Raiser by providing auction items. The common goal of helping others has strengthened the bond between our members.

Our Ministry has proven to be a great way to celebrate Christ's love by reaching out to each other. Thanks to all who have participated and we look forward to continued growth.

Welcome Team – submitted by Jill Kyler

Be not forgetful to entertain strangers: for thereby some have entertained angels unawares. Hebrews 13:1-2

The Welcome Team has continued its mission of offering extreme hospitality to all who visit our campus. We believe that as we welcome guests to share in our worship, teaching and outreach, we are each displaying the love of Christ. Additionally, Christian hospitality is to see Christ in every person we meet.

We offer assistance to guests, answer questions and strive to create a welcoming environment so that all will feel comfortable and appreciated. Regardless of how long you have been worshipping at St. Anthony, if you have a heart for welcoming our guests, and perhaps even entertaining angels, join us.

Blessings of Belonging (BOB) – submitted by Claudia Johnson

This ministry, developed in 2013, continued through 2014. The mission of this ministry was to develop relationships within the church; with those who are not part of our community; and others as we cross their paths, while welcoming God.

We started having monthly meetings in March 2013 and continue. We have prayer, fellowship, food and the end result are friendships that result in the process.

The group also provided a shift at Feed My Starving Children, of Tempe.

All are invited, so please come and be involved. We normally meet the first Saturday of each month from 11-1pm. For more information, please contact Gina Baker or Claudia Johnson.

Communication – submitted by Jill Kyler

Communications Team: Dorian Mulvey, Jill Kyler and Will Strong

The Communications Team was formed with the responsibility of creating and sustaining an overall communications strategy for St. Anthony. As our website and our presence on social media have become the most common ways we make initial contact with guests, its importance cannot be overstated. The core team ensures that communications are relevant and concise while taking advantage of the many formats available to us, such as our website, Twitter, Facebook and Pinterest, in addition to email blasts and Sunday morning announcements.

Our social media links are:

Website: www.st-anthony.net

Facebook: www.facebook.com/stanthonyonthedesert

Pinterest: <http://www.pinterest.com/stanthonydesert>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/stanthony>

Legacy Society – submitted by Malcolm Hilcove

Team Members: Becky Pearson, Keith Kendrick, Hal Hunt, Jack Fauster, Mario Vassaux and Malcolm Hilcove

The mission of the Legacy Fund Board is to consistently educate and inform people about how to get their “Final Affairs” in order, while at the same time encouraging donors to “leave a legacy” to St. Anthony.

The main events held this year were a Wills Clinic in February, led by attorney Emily Kile and a Legacy Society celebration dinner in the Parish Hall, featuring Marshall Trimble (official Arizona State Historian) as the entertainer. Both events were well attended and well received, with survey data indicating a 10+ result on a 10 point rating scale for the Emily Kile Wills Clinic.

The Board reviewed spending authority levels with Barbara Ells. The current policy is:

\$0-200	No approval required
\$200-1000	The Rector, the Senior Warden, or the Treasurer will approve
\$1000+	The Vestry must approve

The Board reviewed the priorities for the coming year and concluded that it would focus on recruitment, education, and celebration. Further, the Board concluded that a single educational event a year was sufficient and the next event would be a Final Affairs Workshop in the Spring of 2015.

Pastoral Ministries

Assorted Pastoral Ministries

- Over 88 cards were sent to those in need. (A special thanks to John Preston and Debbie Van Hoven for providing the stamps.)
- The meal-makers made and delivered 10 meals to families and prepared lunch for 20 people who attended the Walking the Mourners Path Facilitator Training School.
- The transportation team has provided rides to church and medical appointments. This ministry organizes rides for people who need help getting to church.

Healing Prayer – submitted by Rosemary Hansen

Ministry Members: Cindy Cordes, Rosemary Hansen, Steve Judge, Janelle Liffiton, Sue McConnell, Olivia McFadden, and Becky Pearson.

The Healing Prayer Ministry continues to grow in service to members of our parish family and visitors.

Awareness of this ministry continues to flourish with inclusion of its availability each and every service in our Church Bulletin – “prayers available following communion and following each service”. Added visibility and understanding of this ministry was also enhanced with Walking the Mourners Path Ministry's “Angel Tree” which was located in the St Luke the Physician Chapel.

Every Wednesday, at noon, Pastor Dorian conducts a Healing Prayer Service in our chapel that draws not only members of our parish family but also others outside our community in need of healing prayer. Our church campus location on Shea is an asset in growing our weekly Healing Prayer Service.

The members of this ministry continue to reap personal rewards to this calling, thanks to the Holy Spirit who continues to guide each and every one of us through each prayer request. We give thanks for the opportunity to serve and be a part of the many lives we have touched and have been enriched by.

Our quarterly meetings are designed for continued spiritual and personal growth. We thank our pastoral leadership Deacon Grant and Deacon Susan for their continual support in areas of individual challenge and in accepting the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

Eucharistic Visitors – submitted by Susan Cihak

Ministry Team members- Lorna Bennett, Jon Bost, James Bruzzi, Marianne Clarke, Bob Clarke, Ruena Close, Mark Close, Eloise Crosman, Joe Dearborn, Kate Fauster, Jack Fauster, Barbara Goldstein, Bob Groom, Sheila Henry, Allen Henry, Peggy Hilcove, Malcolm Hilcove, Sue McConnell, Claudia Smith.

Each Sunday St. Anthony Eucharist Visitors take communion from the 8:00am service and the 10:00am service to homebound and recuperating individuals and their families in people's homes, group homes, hospitals, and nursing facilities. Eucharistic Visitors from the 8:00am service also provide a prayer service with communion at Westminster Village to a wonderful group of people there.

In 2014 the Eucharistic Visitor ministry saw growth in their team. The amount of EV visits remained steady each week. Attendance remained strong at Westminster Village with it frequently reaching 15 or more residents.

Walking the Mourners Path National Ministry – submitted by Catherine Gilbert

Ministry Team:

Catherine Gilbert – Program Director & Instructor
Susan Cihak – Administrative Assistant and co-Instructor
Rosemary Hansen – Instructor
Marianne Clarke – Journal Editor
Claudia Smith – Journal artist and contributor

This has been another year of growth for the National Ministry of Walking the Mourner's Path. The ministry expanded its reach to new areas of the United States by holding Facilitator Training Schools in Jackson, MS and Ellicott City, MD. In addition to these locations, schools were also held in Overland Park, KS (Kansas City area), Mt. Pleasant, SC (Charleston area), Jacksonville, FL and at St. Anthony on the Desert.

In addition to the growth of the program, our large church partners continue to offer the program in their communities and train new facilitators. This training of new facilitators lends more stability to the program.

Work on the Journal continues with the hope of completion in 2015. I am grateful for the work of Marianne Clarke in editing the Journal pieces.

In 2014, the ministry contributed \$15,000 to St. Anthony's General fund. Additionally, Walking the Mourner's Path:

- Sponsored Deacon Susan Cihak's attendance at the Pastoral Care Workshop in Jacksonville, FL
- Provided candles for the All Saints Sunday event at St. Anthony
- Purchased a Christmas Tree and supplies for the "Tree of Remembrance" event during Advent at St. Anthony

The re-building of the ministry with the formation of a new church base team will be a benefit to the WMP National Ministry. A St. Anthony ministry is important to the National ministry, as it is a training ground for new instructors, a low expense site for Facilitator Training Schools, and a testing ground for new materials.

The ministry was fortunate to benefit from the Dream Campaign. Funds donated to the Walking the Mourner's Path Dream will be used to offset expenses associated with a Walking the Mourner's Path booth at the 2015 General Convention of the Episcopal Church in Salt Lake City this summer.

Walking the Mourners Path Local Ministry – submitted by Leanne Murrillo

Grieving is a journey...St. Anthony is blessed to be caretakers of the amazing program of Walking the Mourner's Path.

"Walking the Mourners Path is a place to come in our pain instead of withdrawing, to be comforted; a place to come together and to join hearts and hands so that we can do together what we cannot do alone."

This year is the start of rebuilding the Walking the Mourners Path ministry at St. Anthony. Walking The Mourner's Path differs from many ongoing "grief support groups" in that as research has shown; structured programs with a beginning and an end are far more successful. The Mourner's Path course consists of one and a half hour sessions for eight consecutive weeks and limits participants to ten. Each session has two facilitators plus a member of the clergy present.

The program is a ministry distinct from other bereavement programs in that it is Christ-centered, scripturally sound and church based. Walking the Mourner's Path is not group therapy but is spiritually directed.

Walking the Mourner's Path provided two opportunities for the congregation to remember their loved ones by **Lighting a Candle** on All Saints Day in the Chapel and providing a **Tree of Remembrance** during our Advent and Christmas celebrations.

Our hope for 2015 is to provide an Eight-Week Workshop and gather Facilitators to continue our Walking the Mourners Path ministry journey at St. Anthony.

Outreach Ministries

Golf Tournament team – submitted by Malcolm Hilcove

Committee members: Malcolm Hilcove, Claudia Johnson, Bob Groom, Harry Boysen, Grant Gilfeather, Mark Close

The mission of St. Anthony's Golf Ministry is to raise and distribute 100% of the funds raised at each year's tournament to charities approved by the vestry.

2014 Tournament

The following unaudited table shows the financial results of the tournament, held for the 4th time at FireRock Country Club.

2014 Tournament Income and Expenditure		
	ACTUAL	Diff. vs
Income:	2014	2013
Golfers	\$13,475	\$1,925
Hole Sponsors	\$6,750	\$0
Dinner Only	\$2,300	\$300
Auction	\$6,569	\$1,779
McKenzie Jackson	\$1,217	\$1,217
Mulligans	\$730	-\$420
Tournament Sponsor	\$0	\$0
50/50 Raffles Golfers	\$1,240	\$565
Other Sponsors & Donations	\$3,100	\$1,200
Total Income	\$35,381	\$6,566
Expenses:		
Printing	\$290	-\$210
T-Shirts	\$84	-\$166
Golf & Dinner	\$7,455	-\$470
CC Fees	\$0	-\$200
Links Players Magazine 2014	\$0	\$0
Goody Bags	\$568	\$4
TOTAL	\$8,398	-\$1,141
NET INCOME	\$26,983	\$7,707

Although player attendance of 77 players was similar to previous years, fees were raised by \$25 per player this year, resulting in \$1,925 more raised than 2013. Other pluses vs. last year were the amount raised by the Auction, by our guest professional golfer, McKenzie Jackson, by 50/50 raffles and by "Other Sponsors and Donors".

2015 Tournament

The 2015 Tournament will once again be held at FireRock Country Club on Saturday, September 26, 2015.

The 2014 Grant Recipients

The Outreach Ministries of St. Anthony benefit from the Annual Charitable Golf Tournament to be able to accomplish the ministries that flow through the Spirit at our church. After the September 2013 Annual Golf Tournament, we had 100% of the \$19,500 generated for outreach. A total of three thousand, five hundred dollars was designated by the vestry to support the youth outreach ministry at our church.

That resulted in the remaining \$16,000, over \$4000 more than the previous year, to benefit the remaining Outreach Ministries. In all, eight applications were received, requesting a total of \$17,500. All ministries were asked to identify the dream maximum and the minimum they needed in their ministry.

We are pleased to announce the vestry approval of the following grants:

School Clothes for Kids - \$1,300 A collaborative effort with Baptist Hospital Health System Legacy Foundation with the Assistance League of Phoenix and the AZ Diamondbacks with a **matching** amount to provide school clothing and needs to identified Title1 children. ***The grant was matched by the Legacy Connection, an affiliate of BHHS. 32 Title 1 children were clothed with shorts, skorts, pants, polo shirts, underwear, socks, belts, shoes, sweatshirts and personal hygiene items. The kids loved it!***

GO Ministry - Kid's Clinic - \$3,600 to partner with St. Andrew's Children's Clinic in Nogales which assisted two infants in need of cleft palate surgery including post-op treatment and rehabilitation. ***Two cleft lip/palate surgeries were performed at Licona Medical Center in Hemosillo, Mexico. The remainder of the funds were used to purchase IPADs for post CP surgery to enhance speech development.***

Healthy Packs - \$1,800 for weekend program with Title 1 Scottsdale schools to help children, identified by teachers and social workers that will not have food for the weekend. These children have food placed in their backpacks to feed them through the weekend. ***Tonolea Elementary and Arcadia Neighborhood Learning Center received food for 130 "food insecure" students for three weekends. Four St. Anthony parishioners went to Vista del Camino to assemble 130 healthy packs for the schools.***

Needlecrafts for Need - \$1,500 to support the growing ministry with 179 pieces distributed in 2012 and in 2013, 310 pieces. The prayer shawl ministry grew from 13 in 2012 to 43 in 2013. This ministry continues to expand. In addition, 153 sewn dresses and attached panties were sent to the Philippine tsunami survivors. ***New involvements with the Philippines dress project, EVMC young men and girls in shelters and continued regular projects with ABIL, EVMC and Fountain View Villages and the prayer shawl ministry.***

Habitat for Humanity - \$1,300 The ministry is attempting to take on the Coalition financial commitment for our church. This has been a ministry at St. Anthony which has been financially supported by one family for the churches commitment to the Episcopal Coalition to subsidize the builds. ***The funding added additional funds to Habitat, where some churches have lapsed in current payments. Three families have been helped to improve their lives and made positive upgrades to two neighborhoods by improving distressed properties to new and quality homes. In addition, new St. Anthony workers and reengaged members are participating.***

Men of St. Anthony (MOSA) - \$1,000 for the continued support of the East Valley Men's Center (EVMC) Bike Repair Shop, a part of a New Leaf, that opened 1 1/2 years ago through support from the golf tournament funds. Since then, over 100 clients have been helped to maintain their transportation to maintain employment. ***The funds continue to be spent wisely on obtaining, maintaining and resupplying bikes for the approximate 100 residents of the EVMC. The project continues its success in assisting the homeless to a better life.***

MOSA - \$2,500 for a new collaboration with A New Leaf, United Way and Mesa Community College with "A Fast Tracking the Dream" program to assist a resident of the EVMC in minimizing or removing financial barriers to obtain a college education. This is a matching grant program with client financial participation. ***The scholarship program has one candidate selected and will take remedial courses at Mesa CC to prep for college coursework. He is slated to start classes in January 2015. The funds will be spent once he begins his college curriculum.***

GO Ministry – Rwanda - \$3,000 to provide scholarships for 10 women to study at Muhabura Integrated Polytechnic College in multiple areas that gain the recipients skills and education otherwise unavailable to them to sustain their families. ***The MIPC enrolled 10 women who had no financial means to enroll in one of the programs they offer in civil engineering, computer engineering, electrical and electronic engineering, business studies or the hospitality program. They began their programs in September.***

The grants reflect collaborative and innovative ways the ministry members have reached out to assist those in need locally, regionally and globally. Without the benefit of the proceeds from the annual charitable golf tournament, these ministries would likely be constrained in growth and breadth of their efforts.

Habitat for Humanity – submitted by Jon Thom

Team Members: Jon Thom, Grant Gilfeather and numerous Saturday volunteers

St. Anthony is part of the non-profit Episcopal Habitat Coalition (EHC) comprised of eighteen Phoenix metro area Episcopal Churches. The EHC typically provides at least half of the needed funds and builds two metro-area homes a year, and participates in approximately one international build per year. Since its inception, EHC has completed 30 metro-area homes and helped with 62 international homes. Each year St. Anthony donates money to the EHC to help fund the homes, and provides significant volunteer labor hours to assist building the homes.

In 2014, the EHC funded two homes, including its first fully-funded home, a renovation in Mesa. This home was purchased by the Saleeban family was completed and dedicated in June. The second home, in Glendale, for the Nkumbuyinka family, was started in September, 2014 and will be completed and dedicated in January 2015. Volunteers from St. Anthony worked on the Saleeban home on three Saturdays, and worked on the second home on two Saturdays. Overseeing construction of the Saleeban home from start to completion were EHC delegates Wayne Needham from St. Matthew's Episcopal as House Leader, and Jon Thom from St. Anthony's as a Team Leader.

Builds are on Saturdays and usually involve 25-30 volunteers. New homeowners work side-by-side with volunteers to fulfill the 400 hours of sweat equity required as the down payment on their home. Over the past year, St. Anthony volunteers performed many tasks including framing, hanging drywall, painting, and trim carpentry. In addition, St. Anthony volunteers provided either snacks or lunch for the 25-30 volunteers on the Saturdays we worked.

For 2015, the EHC anticipates funding two metro area homes. The first home is selected and the funds have been allocated. It will begin the first last week of January and the second home will begin in fall of 2015. An international build will be partially sponsored by the EHC, occurring in April 2015 in Cambodia.

We achieved our objectives for 2014 to increase St. Anthony's annual financial contribution to EHC and develop more diverse revenue sources for St. Anthony's HfH build fund. This was largely made possible through a grant from the Golf Tournament funds. We also expanded our volunteer base, increasing the number of Saturday participants and bringing in new volunteers.

Habitat for Humanity Central AZ is a Christian-based, valley-wide ministry that is a hand-up, not a hand-out. New Habitat families earn the ability to become homeowners through hard work, education, and by financially qualifying for the home that they purchase with a zero-percent interest mortgage. If you like the idea helping a worthy family move up from substandard housing to get a new start as a Habitat homeowner, contact Jon Thom at (480) 286-4724 or jon@thomdirect.com.

A Taste of St. Anthony – submitted by Jill Kyler

Taste and see that the LORD is good. Psalm 34:8

Taste of St. Anthony Team: Claudia Johnson, Jill Kyler, Will Strong and Marianne Clarke

Beginning in 2013, St. Anthony has received a 1% Mission Share rebate from the Diocese to be used for evangelism and outreach. In March, 2014 a portion of this rebate was used for the St. Anthony Block Party, a one-day event on our campus for our surrounding communities that included live music, food truck, bouncy house and slide and exhibits by our outreach ministries.

In fall, 2014 it was decided that this rebate would fund ongoing ministry as opposed to a one-day event. This ministry was named "A Taste of St. Anthony," giving us the opportunity to highlight and invite those outside our faith community to the many "tastes" of St. Anthony—from worship and small group study to pet blessings and outreach work in our communities and everything in between. The Taste of St. Anthony kicked off in October with 300 mini loaves of pumpkin bread baked by a team. These loaves were distributed by members of our congregation with an invitation to our annual Pet Blessing in November. Consequently we had approximately 30 guests and their pets join us. In November 300 mini loaves of cranberry bread were again given out by our members with invitations to our Advent and Christmas events. On Christmas Eve and Christmas Day, the Taste team hosted buffets of appetizers and desserts after each worship service. Reindeer chow and chocolate dipped marshmallows were distributed to our guests at that time with an invitation to participate in a small group, a parenting class or the children and youth programs.

It is our mission with A Taste of St. Anthony to continually give our members the opportunity to invite others to join us for worship and other events by having delicious edible invitations to hand out...sharing with others just a small "taste" of what it means to be part of the St. Anthony community.

MOSA – submitted by Bob Clarke

Members and Supporters: All interested male parishioners and women and youth who want to support us.

Mission: The Men of St. Anthony provide support and fellowship to each other, St. Anthony ministries and the local community. Over the past year, MOSA has increased its support of the East Valley Men's Center (EVMC) in Mesa. Through MOSA, St. Anthony has partnered with Mesa Community College, the United Way and A New Leaf to establish a vocational scholarship program. At present, one candidate is working on the requirements to begin taking classes at Mesa Community College.

MOSA continues to provide and serve a monthly meal at the EVMC to approximately 90 men. MOSA's impact on the community at large is evidenced by the dinner volunteers who are not members of St. Anthony but wish to serve in this ministry. During 2014, the parish supported this program by donating \$600.00 to the ham fund used to purchase the five hams needed for each dinner.

In 2014, MOSA supported the bicycle repair shop at EVMC originally funded by our Outreach Grant Fund. Grants from this fund continue to support this endeavor by allowing the shop to purchase used bikes and parts for the men. These men are not allowed to have cars, so the bikes are of great importance to them to get to work. It allows them to repair their bikes at cost on the grounds of the men's center. At a recent MOSA dinner at the shelter, the manager announced that the folks providing the dinner that evening were also the sponsors of the bike shop. The men enthusiastically applauded and thanked our volunteers. The Outreach Grant Fund continued to support the bike shop this year. In addition, 18 bikes have been donated to the shelter.

On the grounds of St. Anthony, MOSA members and supporters provide general maintenance services, landscaping work and weed removal.

During 2014, MOSA's assistance to other St. Anthony ministries included Spirit Auction set-up work, advance set-up and participation in the Youth Group's Annual Rummage Sale and serving meals at other St. Anthony ministry meetings. Bob Clarke, David Paige and Grant Gilfeather served lunch at Vista de Camino during an annual youth career planning and development seminar.

All of these MOSA volunteer activities will continue in 2015. Youth Minister Will Strong is coordinating with MOSA to bring the youth group to MOSA meetings for the purpose of fellowship and preparation of sack lunches for the EVMC. In 2015, MOSA meetings will continue to discuss additional ways for us to support St. Anthony and other charitable organizations.

East Valley Men's Center – submitted by Jon Bost

The East Valley Men's Center, located in Mesa, AZ, houses and feeds about 100 homeless men who are in transition back into society. The Center is under the umbrella of A NEW LEAF, a not-for-profit corporation supporting the homeless, abused and needy across the Valley.

St. Anthony has long supported the Center with meals through the Men of St. Anthony (MOSA) but in recent years this has been expanded to include support on other levels and from other ministries. Managing this support from St Anthony is not in itself a ministry, but rather a coordination effort between the various ministries and the Center as well as awareness for new opportunities to support these men working to get their lives back in order.

In 2014, we provided, prepared, and served over 1900 dinners to the men. MOSA still does the majority of this work, supplying food 11 of the 19 evenings. Two evenings were supported by the parish at large, and two by the Needlecrafts for Need with one evening each by the Ushers, EFM, Seniors and Winter Residents, and the Vestry.

MOSA also prepared lunches for the Center, preparing the sack meals after their MOSA meeting on Saturdays. Once again this effort included the Youth of the parish in a joint meeting and collaborative effort. The youth even decorated the lunch sacks.

The Needlecrafts for Need ministry hand knitted 100 caps for the men and supplied them to the shelter at the onset of cool weather. This has become an annual tradition and the men, who rotate through the shelter on a regular basis, love the hats. The bike repair shop, funded and organized by St Anthony in 2012, provides the men a facility to repair used bikes donated to the shelter as well as a venue for maintenance on their bikes on which they are dependent for their transportation to and from work. In 2014 we also supplied them with 13 used bikes for their residents.

St Anthony also provided a scholarship for one of the residents so he could further improve himself through education. Finally, in support of a new tradition at the Men's Center St Anthony supported a Christmas new clothes drive to be used as Christmas presents for the men. In addition to several gift cards, a load of clothing that completely filled a large SUV was delivered to the delight of the volunteers at the Center. This represented a tremendous outpouring by the parishioners.

Plans for 2015 provide for expansion of the efforts of last year as well as pursuit of new programs for the shelter. We will be supplying a similar quantity of meals, including a 'Christmas' dinner on Dec 20. I would like to incorporate a caroling effort with this. Another opportunity I have been delinquent in exploring is establishment of a recycling center at the shelter. The men go through about 100 aluminum cans per day and this could be turned into another source of income for them with a little coordination.

Vista del Camino and Paradise Valley Emergency Food Bank – submitted by Grant Gilfeather

Team Members: Grant Gilfeather, and generous donating members from St. Anthony's

Contributions from St. Anthony to both organizations have helped those families in need to feed themselves in these challenging times. St. Anthony parishioners and friends donate regularly, non-perishable food to the basket in the narthex. Grant Gilfeather volunteers weekly at the Paradise Valley Emergency Food Bank (PVEFB) and at Vista in the Vista Del Camino Career Center. In the food bank, a volunteer's job involves receiving donated food, sorting it, properly shelving and making up food boxes or set ups to be given out. At the Career Center a volunteer assists walk-in clients with computer job searches and directs them to postings that are available.

2014 has been a challenging year for food banks. Both Vista Del Camino and Paradise Valley Emergency Food Bank recently have experienced a surge of donations. However those in need have increased and both food banks continue to give out food boxes to those that come through their doors.

One Friday, right before Christmas, at Paradise Emergency Food Bank, Grant was able to provide a family with a two and five year old some donated toys and the mother was so appreciative. In October, St. Anthony awarded \$1,800 to fund Vista Del Camino's Healthy Packs Program, which benefits several south Scottsdale elementary schools. This grant money came from St. Anthony's Charity Outreach Golf Tournament and will go to supplement weekend food needs for at-risk students in 2014. Last October Betty Mitchell, Janet Allen and Cathy Anderson helped pack weekend packs for Tonelea Elementary School and Arcadia Learning Center.

It is my hope that more donors and volunteers will come forward to help at both food banks in the coming year. If you can volunteer on a week day, Vista Del Camino Career Center and Paradise Valley Emergency Food Bank would be most interested in your assistance. If interested please contact Grant Gilfeather at g2feather@cox.net.

Council Against Domestic Violence – submitted by Susan Mitchler

The Council Against Domestic Violence sponsored a Baby Shower in February at which Tammi Linkletter of Save the Family told about "The Bridge," a new transitional housing complex for victims of domestic violence. While Save the Family has supported domestic violence victims in the past, this complex provides transitional housing for victims who are exiting shelters. The congregation donated many wonderful gifts for the youngest victims.

In March, the Council Against Domestic Violence made the decision to go into a semi-dormant state and sponsor only one major event, Santa's Sleigh, each year. The group decided to make a gift to The Bridge of five sets of mattresses, springs and bed frames to help furnish the new units. This leaves a small amount of "seed money" in the CADV account for future use.

Santa's Sleigh was held three Sundays in late November – early December. The congregation was very generous in donating gifts for children, teens and parents living in Autumn House and Faith House, two domestic violence shelters operated by A New Leaf. The items were much appreciated by the residents of the shelters, not only for the material gifts, but for the assurance that they are supported by others as they struggle to escape bad situations.

While the CADV no longer holds "Clear Your Clutter Drives," members will see that donations of gently used (or new) items are delivered to A New Leaf, Save the Family or the Sojourner Center. Please speak to Eloise Crosman, Susie Mitchler, Jaye Presta or Rosemary Viets for further information.

Needlecrafts for Need – submitted by Claudia Johnson

Members: Janet Allen, Jean Sullens, Gina Baker, Jeanette Luke, Gene Tarry, Inge Bolan, Lillian Roodvelt, Maxine Walker, Linda Laws, Marcia Nichols, Shirley Hacnik, Sue McConnell and Claudia Johnson.

Other contributors Pat Roach, Pat Peterson and Cathy Anderson.

2014 was a year of different accomplishments as this ministry continues to evolve and grow and is driven to help. As in the past, the group supplied hats to the East Valley Men's Center, 50 this year. But like last year, the New Leaf organization requested more hats to other areas of need. We provided 25 hats each to a male and female teen youth shelters.

We continue our relationship with Arizona Bridges to Independent Living (ABIL) by providing 25 sets of hats, scarves and lap robes. ABIL assists in transitioning wheelchair bound individuals from assisted living situations to independent living. The hats, scarves and lap robes were distributed to ABIL clients and may be the only gift they received for the holidays.

We continue to help those at Fountain View Villages Skilled Nursing facility in Fountain Hills. People from all over the valley receive post hospital and extended care at FVV. Forty-two lap robes/prayer shawls were delivered to those in need and were gratefully received.

Two baptismal towels were counter-crossed stitched and given to newly baptized and their families. The towels are memorialized with the individuals name and date of baptism.

Fifteen prayer shawls were distributed to our St. Anthony members or others related to members. This aspect of the ministry is very appreciated by recipients. If you know of someone who is facing an illness or is grieving, please let a member of the ministry know so we can provide a prayer shawl during their time of need.

The ministry sponsored two sewing bees for a new project. The members realized a need in the Philippines following the devastating November 2013 tsunami and decided to host all church sewing bees. With the help of many, 153 new girls dresses with two new panties were sent to the Philippine Diocese representative and were distributed to the children in need. What a great collaboration.

Lastly, we collaborated with a new St. Anthony ministry of Clothing for School Kids. This new ministry helped cloth 38 children with matching funds from the Baptist Legacy Foundation and the AZ Diamondbacks. These children are in Title 1 schools in Scottsdale and were identified as the most needy. Besides all that was done for these children through the grant, the NFN group provided in December, 38 knitted or crocheted hats for the same kids.

Thank you to all in this ministry. If you are interested in joining, please join us in the Parish Hall on the second Wednesday of each month at 10am. If you would like to learn to knit or crochet, there are those to teach you.

Global Outreach – submitted by Becky Pearson

Core Committee Members: Jill Kyler, Jeanne Paige, Becky Pearson

Our mission is to provide ways for the St. Anthony community to reach out to our neighbors on a global scale. Specifically our focus is on what we can do to end extreme poverty in support of the Millennium Development goals. We welcome all members of the congregation to participate in this ministry.

RWANDA ~ MUHABURA INTEGRATED POLYTECHNIC COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS

In 2010, we formed a relationship with the Shyira Anglican diocese in Rwanda. The Vestry provided \$3,000 in funding in 2014 to provide scholarships for ten women to study at the Muhabura Integrated Polytechnic College, which was founded in January, 2014 by The Rt. Rev. Laurent Mbanda, Anglican Bishop of Shyira Diocese in Rwanda. Its mission is to educate Christian entrepreneurial technicians and leaders in Rwanda and beyond. Our scholarship allowed ten women who had no financial means to enroll in one of the programs they offer: civil engineering, computer engineering, electrical and electronic engineering, business studies or the hospitality program. They began their programs in September and are progressing on schedule.

We hope to continue to partner with the Diocese of Shyira as they identify ongoing needs for their parishioners. This support will likely take the form of rural development projects that primarily empower and support women and children.

HAITI ~ EPISCOPAL NURSING COLLEGE

In 2011, the Vestry approved sponsorship of a full scholarship, for four years at \$3,000 per year, for a student at the Episcopal Diocese of Haiti's School of Nursing in Leogane, Haiti. The Episcopal Nursing College is located in the Belval neighborhood of Leogane, about two miles from Hopital Sainte Croix ("HSC"), also operated by the Episcopal Diocese of Haiti. The nursing school, known as FSIL in Haiti, is the only four-year nursing college in Haiti operating at full enrollment level. The college recently added Masters level nursing-related degrees.

Our sponsored student is now in her fourth year of study and provided this update:

What part of your school or clinical work did you like best in your third year?

What I liked best in the third year is the training environment, to work with adults and the pathology during surgery.

How do you think you can make an impact on healthcare in Haiti?

I can make an impact on health care in Haiti by administering (to patients), keeping them comfortable and providing the best qualified health care available in the standards of the profession.

The Haiti Mission Trip in July 2014—Submitted by David Paige

In early July 2014, the ten members of the St. Anthony Haiti Mission Team completed several construction related projects at Sainte Croix Episcopal School in Leogane, Haiti. An open air classroom was fully enclosed to create a secure administrative office for faculty and staff. More than one hundred ten student desks were refurbished, many with new varnished desk tops and seats. Many of these desks had not been in use before July 2014. Permanent steel goal posts were erected on the school's soccer field, which also serves as a community athletic field on weekends. A permanent steel pole basketball standard also was erected. Ten lap top computers and two printers were donated to the school. After the July 6 Sunday service at Sainte Croix Episcopal Church – which is next to the school – the St Anthony team served hot meals to more than two hundred Ste. Croix parishioners. Through her employer's fundraising efforts, spearheaded by Cyndi Sax, one hundred thirty backpacks were donated to orphans who attend the Sainte Croix school, and funds were donated from the employees' Haiti fund to provide tuition scholarship support for the orphans.

The Haiti Mission Team has continued to plan additional projects and fund raising for the Sainte Croix Episcopal School and Church, and currently is preparing a grant request for outreach funds from the September 2014 St Anthony Golf Tournament. Future projects planning and fund raising for our brothers and sisters at Sainte Croix in Leogane will be done by the Haiti Mission Team.

Pere Kerwin Delicat's visit to Saint Anthony in November 2014

On Friday, November 9th, the Rector of Sainte Croix Episcopal Church and School, Pere Kerwin Delicat, arrived in Scottsdale for a four day visit at St Anthony. On Saturday, Pere Kerwin attended a dinner with members of the Vestry and the GO Ministry. On Sunday, he co-celebrated the Sunday services with Rev. Dorian Mulvey, and gave the sermon at each service. Sunday evening Pere Kerwin had dinner with members of the Haiti Mission Team to review the July 2014 Mission trip and to discuss future relationship building between our parishes. On Monday, Pere Kerwin accompanied three members of the Mission Trip Team for a sight-seeing "road trip" in Central Arizona.

At the Sunday service, it was announced that additional funds were being provided to Sainte Croix school to construct partitions in the newly enclosed administration building. In December 2014, additional funds were wired to Sainte Croix for the purchase of furniture for the school's administrative office.

Kids Clinic Partners – submitted by Mark Close

TEAM MEMBERS: Mark Close, Grant Gilfeather, Rachel and Deb Misra, Jaye Presta, Becky Evans and Ruena Close

Our mission is to serve as a support ministry to St. Andrew's Children's Clinic in Nogales, Arizona providing education and publicity about the clinic to members of St. Anthony on the Desert and to the greater community of faith by encouraging service to the clinic. St. Andrews Children's Clinic is a non-profit, non-denominational clinic that reaches across the border to provide free, specialized medical care to children living in Mexico who cannot get the care they need in their home country. The clinic is celebrating its 41st anniversary in 2015.

Ministry team members participating in this year's charity golf tournament helped St. Anthony raise nearly \$27,000.00 that will be used in supporting the churches outreach programs in 2015. The amount raised was almost \$8,000.00 more than the amount raised in 2013. Our ministry again plans to help this event grow in 2015.

The 2014 Kid's Clinic ministry grant request was approved \$3,600.00 – a \$1,200.00 increase over the previous year. 2014 sponsorships included the following:

- Ivon Sesteaga Vuitimea, aged 7 months received a second cleft lip repair
- LuisbJavier Urbalejo, aged 1 year old received a cleft palate repair surgery
- Moises Marin, aged 16, received his IPAD COMMUNICATION DEVICE that was programmed with a special Spanish speech communications program allowing him to select icons to make sentences that speaks for him through a special voice feature. Moises has Down Syndrome and is speech impaired. He is a patient in the Speech and language department. He lives with his family in Santa Ana, Sonora and was a Special Olympics Champion this past year.

On March 2, 2014 a representative of the clinics executive staff presented an overview of the ministry at a Sunday Cafe at St Anthony. A ministry video, power point presentation and question & answer session was effectively presented. We also promoted and received a large amount of wish list supplies from the congregation over two different Sundays which were taken to St. Andrews on one of numerous clinic visits conducted by the ministry in 2014. In April 2014 team members met with the Nogales Clinic Staff in another annual productive round-table meeting.

In 2015 our ministry hopes to sponsor a third cleft lip or palate life changing repair. In addition, we want to dramatically expand our sponsorship of 4 IPAD SPEECH AUGMENTATION PROGRAMS in our growing "Giving Children A Voice" outreach program.

Spiritual Nourishment

Acolytes – submitted by Janelle Liffiton

Coordinator: Janelle Liffiton

Assisting: Deacon Susan Cihak, Verger Sue McConnell

Ministry Members:

8 AM: Sue Vold, Rosemary Viets

10AM: Spencer Cihak, Faith Taylor, Alexa Twibell, Caroline Tetlow, David Woods, Harrison Woods, Emily Mitchell, Sarah Cihak, Ashleigh Bolton

The Acolyte Ministry is a ministry of service that takes place during our worship. The Acolyte serves God and the Church through this service. Youth and adults participate in this ministry, performing tasks that support the worship service, and assisting the priest in celebrating the Eucharist. Some of these tasks include carrying a processional cross, lighting candles, holding torches, handing the offering plates to ushers, assisting the deacon with set up and clean up at the altar, washing the priests hands during Holy Eucharist, and many other tasks as directed by the priest. Participation in the service in this way can deepen connections to worship. These connections create a feeling of belonging and can last a lifetime.

This year we were able to recruit 1 new Torch Bearer during the Christian Education registration process. This new torch bearer was trained and started into service. In addition, one of our torchbearers was cross-trained this year as crucifer and has started to serve in this role. Older Acolyte Ministry members, who serve as Crucifers, are in charge of the Acolyte team during the worship service. They mentor any new members during the service each Sunday.

In May of 2014, we lost 2 high school members who left to start college in the fall. We also lost a family of 3 Acolytes who moved out of state.

In the coming year, the Acolyte Ministry hopes to recruit some new members to revitalize our program.

The current members of the Acolyte Ministry are a dedicated group. A special thanks goes to Sue Vold for her dedication to the 8 AM service.

Altar Guild – submitted by Sue Vold

Team Members:

Janet Allen, Sally Allexan, Cathy Anderson, Gina Baker, Joan Carlson, Ruena Close, Kate Fauster, Debbie Fox, Pat Schmid, Sharon Schulenberg, Debbie Van Hoven, Mary Vanselow, Rosemary Viets, Sue Vold

The Altar Guild is a connecting ministry bringing the Christian community together through celebration by preparing the Lord's Table and Sanctuary or Chapel for Eucharistic services, baptisms, weddings, funerals and memorial services. The Altar Guild works behind the scenes, but their results are a very visible part of the worship of the church.

Although there is a separate group for the Flower Guild, preparing and decorating the sanctuary and chapel for Christmas and Easter is a collaborative effort between the two groups.

There is always a need for additional members on the Altar Guild. More hands make light work for all. Members have developed close friendships over the years working together in teams on the Altar Guild.

Flower Guild – submitted by Cindy Cordes

The flower guild is alive with fresh flowers. Our group creates a beautiful arrangement for Sunday worship. We also oversee the decorating of the physical space for Christmas and Easter. We have been blessed this year with much financial support from our parish in thanksgiving and remembrance donations.

Eucharistic Ministers – submitted by Leanne Murrillo

Ministry Co- Leads: Leanne Murrillo and Cyndi Sax

The Eucharistic Ministry is comprised of over 24 individuals, 6 new individuals joined the ministry this year; who are dedicated to serving as lectors and/or chalice bearers during worship. This is a ministry that members feel called to by God. That calling can come when one recognizes that they have the desire to serve God in this capacity and the gifts to do so...or sometimes when a clergy member, friend, or ministry member recognizes those gifts in another person. Regardless of how one becomes a lector or chalice bearer, individuals who serve God and God's people in this capacity share a sense of honor, awe, and respect for the privilege to read God's Word and administer the chalice.

Ministry members serve at virtually every service held at St. Anthony – regular Sunday worship, Holy Days like Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, Christmas Eve and day, memorial services, and other events. This ministry is one that requires constancy, commitment, and dedication to serving God and others. Many describe their experiences as lector or chalice bearer as being integral to their spiritual practices, deepening their own faith as they serve others. We always have room for more. If you feel a stirring in your heart or hear a whisper questioning "What would it be like to do that?" feel free to bring that question to a member of the clergy, or to one of us.

Choirs – submitted by Joe Hacnik

Members of the music ministry include an Adult choir presently consisting of 16 members (vocal), in addition we have one trumpet player, and Joe Hacnik directing and accompanying the choir on both organ and piano. Henry Male is the cantor for both the 8:00 and 10:00 a.m. liturgies. The St. Anthony Singers presently has three members. The Bell Choir, consisting of 8 members, will begin rehearsing in February for Easter.

Music Ministry is a vital part of our worship as a faith community, providing quality music for parish liturgies on a weekly basis, as well as special parish liturgies and events throughout the year. In addition to the Sunday liturgy, music ministry volunteers participate in a weekly rehearsal. We are always recruiting new members both vocally and instrumentally.

Ushers – submitted by Sam & Suzi Edmondson

Our connection to the church mission statement revolves around a warm and friendly welcome to all coming through the parish doors. This welcome will allow the worshipers to feel the spiritual communion of the congregation – the outreach will follow as they enjoy the warm feeling from the ushers initially and the congregation as they decide to participate in the church. We are also responsible to help those members that maybe in physical need before, during, and after the service.

Our ministry is focused mainly on the various worship services on Sundays and Holidays, as well as special events such as funerals. Growth entails adding interested people to our usher team. Our own feelings of connection have grown through our interaction with other ushers as well as meeting people as they come through the doors of the parish. Most of the usher team shares the same feeling of connection.

Our plan for 2015 is to encourage more of the congregation to be a part of our usher team. We are fortunate to have an awesome group of ushers who continue to participate on a regular basis. We will continue to pursue other members to be a part of our great ministry.

Operations/Facilities

Landscape Team – submitted by James Bruzzi

2014 was an exciting year for landscaping at St. Anthony. Our annual grounds cleanup allowed us to make great progress on the grounds and we are very grateful to all who participated. We have implemented a new weed spraying program with the help of Bob Clarke which will help us to simplify maintenance by drastically reducing the number of weeds on the property. We have installed new desert plantings outside the church doors and office window and have kept to our tradition of installing Geraniums in front of the parish hall. Through these efforts, our grounds are looking much more beautiful and welcoming.

Heading into 2015, we hope to trim the trees throughout the property. As this will be a very time consuming task, anyone and everyone is invited to join in at their convenience. We have the equipment on hand to trim most of the trees and I am happy to teach the art of tree trimming to anyone who might like to learn. Here's to another great year of working together to keep our campus beautiful!

Office Angels – submitted by Kelle Hohl

The Office Angels support the office responsibilities of the Treasurer, Accountant, Walking the Mourner's Path and the Parish Administrator.

Thank You to the following dedicated volunteers!

Janet Allen	Weekly front desk support & special projects
Cathy Anderson	Weekly front desk support & special projects
Sharon Bailey	Weekly front desk support & special projects
Olivia McFadden	Weekly front desk support & special projects, weekly bulletin assembly
Gina Baker	Weekly counting the offering
Carrie Forkner	Weekly counting the offering
Hosea Harkness	Weekly counting the offering
David Ells	Verify all bank deposits prior to making the deposits
Kate Fauster	Verify all bank deposits prior to making the deposits
Susan Gilfeather	Posting contributions & giving statement preparation
Eloise Crosman	Help with the Church Registry

We continue to welcome new volunteers into the office for special projects or regular weekly support.

Investment Management team – submitted by Jackie Ernst

Team Members: Jackie Ernst, Chairperson; Mike Galloway, Secretary; and George Mulvey

Ex-officio: Barbara Ells, Dorian Mulvey and Cyndi Sax

The Investment Management Team oversees and invests the funds of the St Anthony Legacy Fund. In May 2011, the fund was initiated with an investment of \$105,641.64 at Fidelity Investments. It was invested according to the Legacy Fund directive.

The Value at year-end 2014 was \$168,596.19 an increase of \$24,868.52 over 2013 and an increase of \$62,954.55 since inception in 2011 (total includes additional contributions of \$7,500 in 2013 and \$10,000 in 2014). The YTD dividends and interest received in 2014 were \$2,114.98.

Spirit Auction team – submitted by Becky Pearson and Janelle Liffiton

On November 22, 2014, St. Anthony held our annual fund-raiser. Our theme this year – Christmas Fantasies – was fun for all. We had a record number of reservations – 109! Everyone enjoyed wonderful hearty appetizers and wine, while bidding on silent and live auction items.

We again held a raffle, this year for a diamond tennis bracelet. Raffle tickets were sold for several weeks before the event, giving those who were not attending a chance to win.

Due to the generous support from merchants, parishioners, and ministries, our auction tables were full with 150 items. We also had mystery travel bags filled with items parishioners had brought from travels around the world. Chuck Bolte was our auctioneer extraordinaire. Altogether, we raised \$12,543 to support St. Anthony's mission and ministries.

The "Kids Only" party was again a success with 12 children attending. Our Youth helped with the kid's party and also helped carry auction items to bidder's cars after the auction.

We had a wonderful committee this year with lots of energy and good ideas. A big thanks to all who helped with the planning, procured or donated items, attended the auction and/or helped the night of the auction. You truly made it a success!

Stewardship – Harry Boysen, Kathy Phillips, Cyndi Sax, Dorian Mulvey

Our stewardship theme "Journey to Generosity" invited all households within the parish to consider the part they play in supporting the overall ministry of the church. The budget for 2015 presented challenges as we sought to absorb more of the costs of our full time youth minister. Additional challenges emerged as the pledges for a handful of established households declined for a wide variety of personal reasons. This created a sizable gap to fill. The chart below provides statistics on 2015 pledges. We are thankful for the 132 households who made pledge commitments. This includes 44 households who increased their pledge by at least 10% and also includes 20 households making a pledge commitment for the first time. In addition, a number of households responded with extraordinary generosity when the budget gap became known. In addition to regular operating pledges we are pleased to report over \$35,000 supporting three 2015 dreams.

<u>Pledges Received</u>	<u>Dollar Amount</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Avg. Pledge</u>
Celebration Pledges	\$154,402	44	\$3,509
Non-Celebration Pledges	\$149,001	68	\$2,191
New Pledges	\$24,420	20	\$1,221
Totals	\$327,823	132	\$2,484

<u>Dream Gifts</u>	<u>Dollar Amount</u>	<u>Number</u>
Youth Ministry	\$25,525	28
Make It Yours	\$4,700	13
Mortgage Elimination	\$4,990	11
Total	\$35,215	

2014 Financial Highlights - Treasurer's Report – submitted by Barbara Ells

Shown below are the highlights (and lowlights) of 2014 as well as the budget for 2015.

- 1. Pledge Income and Other Giving:** We are blessed with income from several sources, but we are a primarily dependent on the gifts that we receive from those who worship with us to pay our operating costs – staff, utilities, mortgage, etc. In 2014, 70% of our income was from giving, and of those donations, 88% came from pledges. Pledge income fell short of budget by over \$1,800. The remaining gifts came from our plate income, non-pledge givers, holiday giving – which together fell short of our budget by over \$11,500. *In total we were under budget in giving by over \$13,300.*
- 2. Dream Gifts:** in addition to our pledges, we received over \$36,000 in Dream Gifts from 28 households. Your gifts supported the Haiti Mission Trip, our Youth Ministry Program, Equipment replacement, Landscape beautification, Paying down our mortgage, and Social Media.
- 3. Successful Fundraisers:** We hold two major fundraisers each year. Our Spirit Auction brought in over \$12,500 to support St. Anthony's Mission and Ministries. The Golf Tournament, in its fourth year, brought in over \$26,900 to support outreach – a 38% increase from the previous year. This tournament draws many from outside our parish to support our outreach program. \$20,000 of those net proceeds will go to Outreach Grants to support the Outreach ministries of St. Anthony. The remaining \$6,900 of the Golf Tournament funds supported our Youth Ministry Outreach here at St. Anthony.
- 4. Montessori School:** We are fortunate to have a Montessori School on our campus. They contribute over \$66,000 to our budget and are a wonderful addition to our campus life.
- 5. Walking the Mourner's Path** had a successful year netting over \$26,000 of which \$15,000 was used to support St. Anthony's operating expenses. Additionally, \$5,000 was set aside to support St. Anthony's 2015 budget. The balance of funds will be used for further development of WMP.
- 6. Youth Ministry Apprentice Program:** Will Strong is in his third year as our Youth Minister and we continue to see the program grow. St. Anthony is in the fourth year of a five year grant administered by the Diocese to support Youth Ministry in parishes. This program is a community outreach program to reach "un-churched" youth in our communities. The grant covers a portion of the salary and the program expense and the parish pays the balance. In 2014 we received \$17,500 in grant funds covering 35% of the program expenses. Additionally, we received \$11,950 in Dream Gifts for youth ministry. Approximately \$19,000 was covered by our operating budget.
- 7. Make-It-Yours Campaign:** We have a large campus of 3 buildings (with 16 air-conditioners), parking lot, and landscape, all of which require maintenance and repair. Having identified many areas that needed some attention and knowing that "things will happen" we launched our "**Make-It-Yours**" campaign in the spring to not only raise money to help with repairs now and in the future, but identify skills within the parish to help us with many of our tasks. Our landscape is now being maintained by many who adopted a plot and others have volunteered to help with repairs. We received a generous \$25,000 challenge match to raise funds for the campaign, and successfully raised over \$48,000. Some of those funds were used this year for major maintenance for our air conditioners and fire safety. We are proud of our campus and thank all who supported and continue to support our efforts to make this a campus we are proud of.
- 8. Legacy and Endowment Gifts:** in 2014 we received a \$10,000 gift to our Endowment Fund. The Endowment Fund has grown to over \$168,000. Prior Legacy gifts were used to repair and paint our Sanctuary building.
- 9. Mortgage:** Our mortgage balance is now \$707,345 with 17 years remaining. Our monthly mortgage payment is \$5,329 for a total of nearly \$64,000 a year – the second largest item in our budget.

10. **Expenses:** With income from giving falling short during the year, we carefully monitored expenses. With turnover in staff, lower Mission share (due to lower giving), identifying new vendors, and many small savings, expenses were under budget by over \$13,700.

Net Cash Receipts: With the support of the Golf Tournament for Youth Ministry, and December income being up, our net cash receipts for the year exceeded our disbursements by \$1,054

2015 Budget

The Vestry is annually charged with putting together the budget, and the starting point is the amount pledged by parishioners. For 2015, we received 132 pledges for \$327,823, about \$1,800 more than 2014. In addition, your Dream gifts will help support Youth Ministry (\$15,525), the Make-It-Yours fund, (\$4,600), and Pay Down the Mortgage (\$4,790). We also received a pledge for \$10,000 **IF** we were able to keep a full time Youth Minister. *And the answer is yes we can!*

1. Based on our current pledges, total giving (plate offerings, pledges, non-pledge income, and holiday donations) are budgeted to be \$344,630 – *a decrease of almost \$6,000 from 2014.*
2. In 2014, Walking the Mourner's Path contributed \$15,000 to St. Anthony's operations. For 2015, we have budgeted \$20,000, an increase of \$5,000.
3. Rent from the Montessori school is over \$68,000.
4. We are nearing our final year of the Youth Apprentice Program administered by the Diocese. Support from the grant in 2015 is \$7,000 - \$10,500 less than 2014. Together with your Dream gifts, our generous \$10,000 contingent gift and pledge income, we are able to fully fund the Youth Ministry program for 2015. In 2016, the last year of the grant, St. Anthony will only be receiving \$2,000.
5. Personnel Expense: We have 3 full-time staff and 4 part-time staff. With total giving expected to be under what we received in 2014, we were not able to budget a salary increase for our amazing staff. They received no increase in 2013 and only a 2% increase in 2014. They work very hard to support us in many ways, and we need to develop a plan where we can reward them for their work. Please be sure to let them know how much you appreciate them.
6. Staffing: Many are not aware that almost 40% of our "staff" are volunteers. These include Deacon Susan Cihak, Deacon Grant Gilfeather, Assisting Priest John Millar, (paid when he preaches), and Minister of Evangelism Jill Kyler. These people are so important to our worship and we thank them for their dedication to St. Anthony.
7. All expenses were reviewed in detail by the Vestry. Some expenses, including Altar Guild, Music, and Equipment repairs will be paid out of available deferred funds. With holding expenses, including no salary increase, we were able to balance the 2015 budget.
8. Outreach: Our Golf Tournament Committee is already working on the Golf Tournament for 2015. We anticipate another successful tournament which will hopefully enable us to again dedicate a substantial portion of the proceeds from the tournament to Outreach. The budget has \$20,000 allocated to outreach from the Golf Tournament Funds.

The attached Cash Receipts and Disbursement statement for 2014 and the 2015 Budget along with the 12/31/14 Balance Sheet and List of Designated Funds are an integral part of this report.

St. Anthony on the Desert Cash Receipts Statement
2014 Budget vs. Actual - Operations
2015 Budget

	2014			2015
	Budget	Over (Under)	Actual	Budget
Cash receipts and disbursement				
Cash receipts				
Plate Offerings	\$12,000	(5,386)	\$6,614	\$7,000
Pledge Income	312,533	(1,849)	310,684	311,430
Non-pledged Member Income	28,000	(8,265)	19,735	14,700
Holiday Offerings	11,300	2,108	13,408	11,500
Interest Income	300	91	391	400
Montessori Building Use Income	66,295	0	66,295	68,283
Building Use Income	1,800	1,022	2,822	2,815
Fundraising Account	36,000	4,397	40,397	40,000
Youth Ministry Income	28,650	(790)	27,860	29,700
Walking the Mourner's Path Inc	15,000	0	15,000	20,000
Total Cash Receipts	\$511,878	(\$8,671)	\$503,207	\$505,828
Cash Disbursements				
Expense				
Personnel	\$313,137	(\$5,703)	\$307,434	\$302,738
Administration Expense	16,380	(\$1,147)	15,233	16,795
Facilities Expense	23,848	\$1,015	24,863	22,921
Insurance	16,931	(\$446)	16,485	17,176
Diocese Mission Share	55,802	(\$4,856)	50,946	51,050
Christian Education Expenses	2,577	(\$433)	2,144	3,025
Youth Apprentice Program Expense	2,800	(\$1,091)	1,709	1,900
Worship Expense	175	(\$105)	70	125
Committees - Services Expense	4,870	(\$960)	3,910	6,140
Outreach	16,000	\$4,000	20,000	20,000
Total Cash Disbursements before				
Mortgage Payment	\$452,520	(\$9,726)	\$442,794	\$441,870
Net Cash before Mortgage interest payment	\$59,358	\$4,600	\$63,958	\$63,958
Mortgage interest payment	63,958	(0)	63,958	63,958
Net Cash receipts	(\$4,600)	\$1,055	(\$3,545)	\$0
Funds from 2013 Excess Funds			4,600	
Net Cash Receipts			\$1,055	

St. Anthony on the Desert Episcopal Church
Balance Sheet
December 31, 2014

ASSETS

Current Assets

Checking/Savings

CCCU Ministry Checking A/C 91	\$44,068
CCCU Desig/Restricted Ckg 92	36,033
CCCU Desig/ Rest Money Mkt - 60	105,307
Desig WMP Development Cash Acct	23,404

Total Checking/Savings \$208,812

Other Current Assets

Fidelity Investments Account \$168,596

Total Other Current Assets \$168,596

Total Current Assets \$377,408

Fixed Assets

Land	\$700,000
Parish Hall (Net)	234,224
Sanctuary and Ed. Bldg (Net)	1,490,995
Furn & Fix-Parish Hall (Net)	4,995
Furn, Fix-Sanc & Ed Bldg (Net)	2,340
Courtyard Columbarium (Net)	16,610

Total Fixed Assets \$2,449,163

Other Assets

Walking the Mourner's Path -Net \$1,994

Columbarium Account 1,318

Advance Event Deposit 450

Total Other Assets \$3,763

TOTAL ASSETS \$2,830,334

LIABILITIES & EQUITY

Liabilities

Current Liabilities

Accounts Payable

Accounts Payable \$1,905

Diocesan Assess 2007 Payable 21,095

Diocesan Assess 2008 Payable 44,667

Diocesan Assess 2009 Payable 71,437

Total Accounts Payable \$139,105

Other Current Liabilities

Prepaid Pledges \$27,255

Retirement Withholding 918

Desig/Restrict Fund Obligation 141,340

WMP Development Fund 24,504

Endowment Designated 168,596

Total Other Current Liabilities \$362,614

Total Current Liabilities \$501,719

Long Term Liabilities

Loan CCCU Principal Payable 21 \$707,345

Total Long Term Liabilities \$707,345

Total Liabilities \$1,209,064

Equity

Retained Earnings \$1,676,512

Net income \$4,599

Total Equity \$1,681,111

Total Liabilities & Equity \$2,890,175

**St. Anthony on the Desert
Designated Funds
December 31, 2014**

DESIGNATED OPERATION FUNDS

Acolyte Fund	\$113	
Altar Guild	1,651	
Building Maintenance	44,760	
Celebrations and Gatherings	90	
Children's Education	125	
Evangelism & Newcomers	749	
Financial Audit	4,000	
Flowers	1,118	
Hearts and Hands	320	
Holiday Flowers & Music	576	
Landscape Improvement & Maintenance	252	
Legacy Operations	879	
Parish Retreat	179	
Pastoral Musician Fund	1,700	
Rector Sabbatical	8,740	
Special Projects	972	
Vestment donations	3,410	
Youth Ministry Apprentice	16,299	
Youth Ministry Donations	<u>750</u>	
TOTAL OPERATIONAL FUNDS		\$86,684

DESIGNATED OUTREACH

Camp Scholarships	\$239	
Children's Outreach	270	
Deacon's Discretionary Fund	141	
Domestic Violence Council	70	
EFM Fund	199	
Global Outreach	425	
Habitat for Humanity	201	
Habitat Housewarming	66	
Needlecraft for Need Ministry	1,981	
Mission Work/Outreach	18,308	
MOSA	1,036	
Outreach Grant Funds	20,048	
Parish Retreat Scholarships	199	
Rector Discretionary	700	
Youth Mission Trip	4,866	
V Evans EFM Scholar	521	
Vista Del Camino	<u>50</u>	
TOTAL OUTREACH FUNDS		\$49,322

DESIGNATED DREAM GFITS

\$2,556

DESIGNATED MEMORIAL FUNDS

Music Memorials	808	
Other Memorials	<u>400</u>	
TOTAL MEMORIALS FUNDS		\$1,208

LEGACY FUND

\$1,570

TOTAL DESIGNATED FUNDS

\$141,340