INCOME FACTS:
Our weekly Offertory goal over a 51-week period is $11,040/week. Through the three months ending September 30, 2019, our Offertory is averaging $9,400/week. If we continue to receive this amount each week, we will end the fiscal year with a significant shortfall in the Offertory, and a forecasted overall deficit of over $78,000. Please remember that the Offertory is our main source of funds for paying our daily operating expenses, and your generous and consistent financial support throughout the year is needed and greatly appreciated.

EXPENSE FACTS:
Compensation and benefits are below budget due mostly to temporary vacancies in 2 part-time staff positions and savings in benefits such as 401k employer contributions, health insurance and other related benefits. We work very hard to keep expenses down, and the forecast projects that our expenses will be slightly below budget. However, unlike many businesses, we do not budget for an expense contingency to provide a cushion for expenses. We will continue to review, analyze and implement more efficient systems and processes in our buildings and grounds and find better ways to use the financial resources entrusted to us by the parishioners. Thank you for your continued prayers and support to our parish.

Respectfully submitted,
Fr. Brian Mahoney, Pastor and Paul Firicano, Collaborative Business Manager
Parish Finance Council Members: Jeff Brown, John Baggi, Celeste Dunn, Paul Brzezenski, Grace Ann Steed

Your financial support by way of the Offertory in the budget is crucial in helping us maintain and build our programs and ministries here at St. John’s. WeShare is a great option to donate to the parish. It has been extremely helpful to us in our budget planning. WeShare is a web-based online giving program in which parishioners can control their donations/payments on their own using a secure link from our website. It meets the highest banking-level security standards set forth by the Payment Card Industry (PCI) to help ensure safe and confidential transactions. This option has become a great way for many of our parishioners to donate, especially those who cannot make it to Mass or may go away during the winter or summer months. To date, participation in WeShare guarantees over $8,500 per month in Offertory to the parish budget. To sign up for online giving, refer to the steps below...

1. Please visit our collaborative website www.chelmsfordcatholic.org.
2. Click on the WeShare Giving link (logo shown above) in the right-hand side bar of the home page.
3. Choose your giving opportunity and set up your payment options, withdrawal date, etc. for recurring donations. There is also an option to make a one-time donation/payment.

  If you have any questions or need assistance, please contact Paul Firicano or Tina Sousa at the parish office (978) 256-2374.