Dear Friends in Christ,

Every May and October, the Archdiocese asks us to do "Mass Counts". During those months our wonderful hospitality teams faithfully count the number of parishioners participating in every weekend Mass throughout the month. I want to share with you some very good news. Over the past 18 months, the average number of parishioners attending Mass has increased from 1,228 in October 2021 to 1,929 this past May 2023. This shows that on average, we have 700 more people attending weekend Masses than we did 18 months ago. The addition of the 10:30 a.m. Mass has certainly increased attendance, but we see increase in attendance at all Masses across the board. It is certainly my hope that this trend continues throughout 2023 and beyond. Thank you all for being such a welcoming and faith filled community. Please continue to invite back to regular Mass attendance your family members and your friends, as we continue to grow in love and service of the Lord.

Peace+

Fr. Tom *Pastor*

PS Fr. Bazil arrived safely back in India. He had a little time to spend with his family before beginning his new pastoral assignment. Please continue to keep him in your best thoughts and prayers. Thank you for extending a warm greeting to the guest presiders who will be with us this summer. I am so grateful for their generosity and service to the community.