

ST. JOSEPH UNIVERSITY PARISH PASTORAL REPORT

JULY 1, 2008 – JUNE 30, 2009

Dear Parishioners:

In the July edition of the newsletter *Faith Journey* Greg Carter, a member of the Stewardship Committee, wrote an excellent article about the Parish Pastoral Report that you are receiving in this mailing. If you ever want to know what goes on in the parish outside of Sunday Mass this is the way to find out. It speaks well of the involvement of so many people, of the variety of ministries that are available here, and of the hours spent serving the members of the parish and the broader community. In reading the report it might be helpful to refer back to Greg's article to understand more of the background of the parish and its organization. I encourage you and hope that you do read the enclosed report. I also urge you to read the "Treasure" or the yearly financial report in our August *Faith Journey*. This report gives an accounting of the income and the expenses for the parish and, in doing so, necessarily highlights not only the generosity of our members but also how their gifts are used in the operation of the parish. As I read both these reports, I find it edifying to see how the work of Christ is being carried out in our parish. In giving an accounting of all that takes place we are being good stewards of all that is given in time, talent and money. Furthermore, I hope it is a bit of motivation for any members who do not take an active role in the life of the parish. By becoming part of the ministry through the volunteer hours you spend you help us to accomplish more than the sum of the whole. What this report does not adequately tell is the way lives are touched and changed by ministry that is offered, nor does it tell how the lives of the ministers (your fellow parishioners) are changed. More goes on than meets the eye when we put our lives at the service of God's grace. I would like to hear any feedback you have about the report or suggestions for future reports. I hope you enjoy reading about who we are in action.

Peace and all good,

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Parish Population

Households 783

Individual Catholics 1911

New Registrants 59

Celebrated

Burials 11

Confirmations 10

First Communion 31

Baptisms 28 total

 Infant 21

 Minor 4

 Adult 3

Marriages 8 total

 Catholic 2

 Interfaith 6

Professions of Faith 6

(baptized in another Christian faith and converted to Catholicism)

Publications

Bulletin Weekly

Good News Monthly

Faith Journey Monthly

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PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Accomplishments for the past year include:

- Coordinated an orientation and training program for Council members
- Hosted joint meeting with the Parish Council and the Campus Ministry Commission
- Kept parishioners updated on Council activities through the monthly newsletter
- Developed a Strategic Plan for the parish
- Supported plans for the renovation of the parish center
- Sponsored an anniversary reception for Sr. Carmen
- Supported the Ministerial Celebration on January 22
- Supported the Deanery Planning Team
- Approved the parish budget for the 2009-2010 fiscal year
- Approved the summertime Mass time change from 11:30 am to 11:00 am

COMMISSION FOR FAITH FORMATION

Adult Faith Formation

There are 8 participants in Catechumenate. This is an average number. People enter and exit all during the year. Eight parishioners participate in an Adult Discussion Group, and there is one Small Church Community.

Three sessions were held for St. Paul Spirituality with 22 parishioners each week. Four sessions of Baptism Classes for parents were held. 14 families attended. Approximately 50 parishioners attended the Parish Mission each night, 100 people attended the Military Prayer Service, 75 attended Transitus, and 25 were at the Bereavement Memorial Prayer Service. Five couples attended the 10 Great Dates, while approximately 100 were at the 800th Anniversary of Franciscan Rule and the Liturgical Ministers Night of Reflection. Twenty participated regularly in the Stations of the Cross and 60 in the Enhanced Stations.

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)

Three adults were baptized this year and six adults made the Profession of Faith.

Elementary Religious Education

Mission of Religious Education: to help the youth of the parish understand the Catholic faith, grow stronger in their faith and deepen their sense of belonging to the church.

This past year 20 catechists helped with the Religious Education program. There were 17 catechists helping with the Children's Liturgy of the Word on Sunday morning at the 9:00 a.m. liturgy.

240 children were enrolled in the Preschool – 8th grade Religious Education program.

The parishes of St. Benedict, St. Joseph University, and Sacred Heart of Jesus combined their Junior High program and met at St. Benedict's. There were 90 students enrolled from all three parishes.

Activities offered:

- Once a month the children participated in the liturgy at the 9:00 a.m. mass by reading, greeting and other liturgical ministries.
- On Sunday mornings at the 9:00 a.m. liturgy the children participated in the Children's Liturgy of the Word.
- On Christmas Eve the children participated in the Liturgy by acting out the gospel and a children's choir was formed. The children also served as lectors and greeters.
- Two sacramental retreats were held for parents and students who were preparing for First Reconciliation and Communion. There were 24 First Communicants.

St. Joseph University Parish combined its Vacation Bible School with the other Catholic city churches and it was held at St. Patrick's Church. 80 children attended for the week of June 15-19.

The children collected money in their homes during Lent for Operation Rice Bowl. They also brought in canned goods on "Souper Bowl" Sunday that was donated to the Samaritan Food Pantry.

Order of Christian Initiation of Children (OCIC)

Three children came into the church on Holy Saturday.

Youth Ministry

The primary purpose/mission of JUMMP Youth Ministry (St. Joseph University, St. Margaret Mary & St. Patrick) is to minister to the high school youth of our Terre Haute parishes through: Evangelization, Catechesis, Prayer and Worship, Community Life, Justice and Service, Advocacy, Pastoral Care, and Leadership Development.

This past year:

- 120 students registered for religious education
- Retreats, conferences, service opportunities, etc. were offered to students on both local and Archdiocesan levels
- 17 adults from the three parishes volunteered their time to lead small group discussions amongst the high school students on Sunday evenings
- 15 adults from the three parishes led high school catechesis on Sunday evenings
- 9 adults (3 from each parish) were/are on the Youth Commission (SJUP members were: Tom Kuhl, Karen Ridgway, and Mary Plank/Cookie Dooley)
- RCIA for Youth program has begun with one student currently entered into the process

COMMISSION FOR SPIRITUAL LIFE

A. Altar Society

The Altar Society's main purpose is to care for and maintain the sanctuary of the church by providing hosts, wine, some flowers, and linens; caring for the attire of servers and priest and linens required at Mass; and cleaning the sanctuary and sacristy.

1. Church Cleaning

The weekly church cleaning committee is composed of eight ladies, on rotation, three hours per week.

2. Church Laundry

The weekly church laundry committee has three ladies who on rotation, launder the purificators, corporals, and hand towels (five to six hours weekly.) The altar cloths, cassocks and albs are done as required.

3. Funeral Luncheons

The Altar Society offers a luncheon on the day of the funeral to bereaved families of persons who are buried from the church. During the year July 2008 to June 2009 there was one family who accepted our offer. There were 50 people at the luncheon.

On the day before the luncheon, two ladies spend three hours each shopping for supplies. On the day of the funeral, six ladies spend six hours each preparing food, serving, and cleaning afterwards. Other ladies provide salads, vegetables and desserts when called upon. Our strengths come from ladies of the Altar Society and parishioners in general who are willing to work at these luncheons and/or contribute food. We believe that by providing these luncheons we allow families time to relax and visit with each other and friends whom they may not have seen for a long time.

4. Luncheon for the Good Cheer Club

An annual luncheon is held for the Good Cheer Club (for the blind) with eight individuals donating six hours each.

5. Luncheon for Clergy and Pastoral Staff of the Terre Haute Deanery

An annual luncheon is held for clergy and pastoral staff of the Terre Haute Deanery with six ladies volunteering their services for six hours each.

6. Eucharistic Adoration and First Friday Rosary

First Friday Rosary is attended by 14 – 16 ladies of the Altar Society followed by a brown bag luncheon. Eucharistic Adoration is not strictly an Altar Society activity but is a parish-wide activity. There are twenty-two individuals currently devoting one hour for adoration.

B. Environment

The Environment Committee has 28 active members.

They prepare the church for weekend masses and special occasions. They are responsible for decorating for special celebrations such as Mass of the Holy Spirit, First Communion, Confirmation, Lent, Palm Sunday, Pentecost, Easter, Christmas, and the Feast of St. Francis.

The committee is involved with the setup of All Soul's candles, which includes 400 candles a week during the month of November, as well as the banners which have the names of the deceased written on them. Banners are also made for other groups such as Pro-Life, special children's liturgies, Secular Franciscan Order, first communion, etc. The committee has made a special Military Banner, and members of the parish or family members of parishioners who serve in the military are

encouraged to call Marylla Millard (299-1639) to include their names.

C. Eucharistic Ministers

There are 83 active Eucharistic Ministers. Each weekend there are 22 various Eucharistic Ministers needed for weekend Masses: 4 @ 5:00 p.m., 6 @ 9:15 a.m., 6 @ 11:30 a.m., and 6 @ 7:00 p.m.

Eucharistic Ministers are scheduled on a month to month rotation, within availability. During the months of mid-August through mid-May, our parish collegians are included in the scheduling at the 7:00 p.m. Mass.

More than 150 various Eucharist Ministers are necessary for Christmas, Holy Week, Feast Days, Thanksgiving, Ash Wednesday and other special events. For example,
 41 - Holy Week and Easter
 16 - Special Masses in December
 28 - Christmas
 16 - Ash Wednesday
 36+ - Holy Days
 36+ - Feast Days/ Special Events

D. Hospitality

Eighty-seven Ministers have been serving four Masses each weekend, holydays and funerals. This would total the minimum of 350 hours of service. Ministers welcome parishioners and visitors. They are available to register new members and to provide information to parishioners. They prepare the church for services and clean up so all is ready for the next Mass. Leadership is developed in this ministry. This service often serves as a catalyst to getting involved in the parish in other ways. Some members serve as a family. This year's goals were reached by responsible and accountable leadership of people who willingly welcome and serve the parishioners.

Sunday Nursery Service

Ten volunteers provide a babysitting service for children of parishioners attending masses at 9:00 a.m. and 11:00/11:30 a.m. every Sunday. This allows parents of these children to participate in the mass more freely. The children have games, books, and toys to enjoy and are carefully supervised. Five to seven children are in attendance every Sunday. Parents of the children take turns in providing services.

Welcome Committee

The Welcome Committee consists of 12 members. Meetings are held on the 3rd Thursday of each month at noon at Clabber Girl. The Committee welcomes new parishioners by sending a card and following up with phone calls. The Committee also invites the new parishioners to various parish events. During the past year we welcomed approximately 57 new families.

E. Lectors

The lectors deliver the Word of the Lord at mass. During the academic year, Sr. Carmen arranges for college students to lector at 7:00 p.m. mass. Other mass times are covered by year-round parishioners. We have 39 lectors, with 13 people serving in rotation at each mass at 5:00 p.m., 9:00 a.m., and 11:00/11:30 a.m. All ages are welcome to volunteer for lector duties.

F. Liturgy Committee

Members of the Liturgy Committee represent all the Liturgical Ministers of our liturgical celebrations. With our ministers and staff we planned, decorated, serviced and celebrated liturgically at our parish picnic; all weekend Masses; Advent and Christmas; Lent; Triduum; and Easter.

We also commissioned all liturgical ministers on the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ; held a Liturgical Ministers' night of Reflection in February; planned and gave parishioners a Lenten key chain, a Mother's Day prayer card, and a Father's Day prayer card; planned Pentecostal intercessions in various languages as spoken by parishioners; and supported Wes Lambert's taping of Father Richard's homilies and Chad Davis placing some of them on the website.

The committee initiated a survey to poll parishioner preference on moving the 11:30 am Mass to 11:00 am during the summer.

G. Music

The music ministry is an integral part of each liturgy. This ministry includes 20 choir members, 9 of whom cantor, and five instrumentalists. In the fall we have two or three students who join us. We have choir practice Wednesday evenings and meet at 8:30 a.m. Sunday mornings. Wes Lambert and Jerre Cline help with the sound system. Steve Prescott is our choir director and Becky Doti plans the music for the liturgies. Becky schedules cantors, trains and works with them. Rosemary Shavloske is our piano accompanist and Andy Gearhart plays the organ. We also have eight or nine people who serve as a funeral choir.

H. Sacristans

The primary purpose of the sacristans is to set up the items required for Mass and other liturgies to assure that the services will proceed with dignity and reverence. Sacristans arrive at least 45 minutes prior to Mass or service. They assure that all items necessary for the service are available and in place; that lights are turned on; and that the microphones are in place and turned on. If for some reason servers are not present, the sacristan will light the candles.

Only one person is required to set up for Mass or other services. Currently we have twelve sacristans, eleven regularly scheduled and one in training. Our goal is to

have all liturgies covered with dedicated and dependable individuals.

Sacristans, by their services, serve the entire church community. Our strengths are reflected by the dedication and dependability of our group.

I. Altar Servers

We have ten people consisting of adults, children, and adolescents, that assist the priest presider at the 5:00 p.m. Saturday masses; 25 at the 9:00 a.m. masses; and 10 at the 11:00/11:30 a.m. masses. Collegiate students serve the 7:00 p.m. masses. Eighth grade students were recognized for their faithfulness to serving with a certificate from St. Joseph's.

COMMISSION FOR STEWARDSHIP

A. Buildings and Grounds

Electrical Renovation of the Parish Center has been completed. The project also included renovating the Gregorian Room and the women's bathroom, new lighting in the main hallway and other areas of the building and replacing the electrical panel and outlets in the garage.

The total cost of the electrical renovation and other items is approximately \$130,000.00. The "other" work includes the renovation of the Gregorian Room, renovation of the women's restroom, replacing the furnace in the Gregorian Room, some renovation to the classrooms on the top floor, electrical renovation of the garage and replacing many of the light fixtures in the hallways and stairwells.

The next phase of the renovation of the Parish Center will be building a handicap ramp into the Gregorian Room, installing a lift that will go from the Gregorian Room to the main floor, building a handicap bathroom on the main floor, building a handicap bathroom area in the men's bathroom in the lower level (the women's restroom in the basement is already handicap accessible), renovating the stage area on the top floor making two classrooms for Religious Education classes, and renovation of the kitchen.

Our plan is to have all the renovation work completed by September 1, 2009. The cost of the remaining renovation work is approximately \$400,000.00. We are now getting quotes and/or proposals for this phase.

After the Parish Center renovation is completed we will turn our attention to upgrading the electrical system in the Parish Office Building and the Church. We do not have a time frame for starting these two projects but it will likely be determined when we know how much money we have left after the renovation of the Parish Center. We have asked the Archdiocese for permission to delay installation of the handicap lift from the basement to the main floor because of the need for the upgrade of the electrical system, and the Archdiocese Office has approved our request.

B. Bulletin Stuffing and Office Help

i. Bulletin Stuffing

There is a bulletin for every weekend of the year and there is always one insert but not more than three inserts to be stuffed for any one weekend. Currently a rotating schedule is set in December or January for the entire year. During a year, most volunteers stuff bulletins for two weekends, occasionally a third. All materials are ready by Thursday afternoon and stuffers have the option of taking the materials home or using space in the church offices. There are approximately 500 bulletins per weekend. Some volunteers choose to work in pairs. We currently have 24 volunteers for this ministry.

ii. Office Help

When the secretary is absent from the office (one or two staff meetings/month, two weeks of vacation, doctor appointments, illness), an individual is needed to answer the phone and the door and to provide confidential secretarial assistance to keep the office running smoothly. One individual doing this devotes approximately 150 hours per year.

On Samaritan Ministry days (Mondays & Wednesdays, 1:30 pm- 4:00 pm), it takes two volunteers to assist with answering the door and phone and on Mondays distributing food baskets to those with referral numbers. Due to the sheer volume of people that come to the door on Samaritan days, many times it takes the two volunteers and the secretary to keep it all moving smoothly. Over the past year four ladies have been consistently working with the secretary.

Starting last November when we were trying to use all the small stacks of 11 X 17 colored paper that we owned, several ladies were asked to help fold and label the newsletter to prepare for the bulk mailing. These six volunteers loved being able to spend some time visiting with one another while helping the church. They have continued as a nucleus for processing the newsletter on a continuing basis. We are now looking for additional persons who would enjoy being part of this endeavor. It takes about two hours on the Tuesday following the fourth Friday of the month. The date changes slightly when we have holidays and feast days.

C. Collection Money Counters

Currently we have 13 volunteer money counters. Three, sometimes four, counters meet to count for about 2-1/2 to 3 hours. The counters are very dedicated people who enjoy seeing the numbers balance on the count sheet.

D. Finance Committee

The committee consists of five parishioners plus Father Richard. The members are Chad Keith, Chairperson; David Doti, Angela Clark, Dale Findley and Kevin Padget. Jerry Dooley, Business Manager, serves as the

staff representative to the committee. The committee meets the third Tuesday of each month, except June. The committee reviews the Financial Report, approves business policies, reviews bids for projects, allocates money for project, prepares and recommends an annual budget to the Parish Council. The major project the committee is concentrating on is the renovation of the Parish Center.

E. Fundraising

i. Fish Fry

Our annual parish fish fry was held on April 3, 2009. The purpose of the fish fry is to bring the parish family together as well as members of the community. The Jonah Fish Fry is a very popular event. We sold approximately 600 tickets, had over 50 volunteers, and made about \$2,300.00. 25 tickets were donated to needy individuals. The money raised goes to the general operation of the parish.

ii. Spring Social Sweepstakes

The purpose of the Spring Social Sweepstakes is to encourage fellowship in the parish. At the same time we are able to raise the funds needed to pay the salary for the physician in Honduras and to fund areas of need in the parish budget. This year the Spring Social was held at Idle Creek Banquet Center on Friday, May 8, 2009. We were able to once again offer a silent and oral auction along with the sweepstakes drawing and delicious dinner.

We had around 24 people total helping at different times. Bev Findley was in charge of the ticket sales and Pat Mozley was in charge of the silent auction.

We sold 243 dinners and 283 Sweepstakes tickets. We deposited a total of \$37,353.00 from the Social.

We paid out as follows:

- \$ 4,800.00 to the Honduras Mission
- \$ 5,090.85 to Idle Creek for dinners
- \$10,000.00 to the Grand Prize winners
- \$17,462.15 was given to the parish

We feel the Spring Fling was a success not only financially but socially too.

F. Stewardship Committee

This ten member Committee meets on the first Thursday of every month. Many hours are spent between meetings to educate, communicate and become disciples of the Lord. Our vision is that all parishioners will become engaged in living stewardship as a way of life with proportionate sharing of time, talent and treasure for the mission of the Gospels of Jesus Christ.

Accomplishments for the past year included:

- Four Stewardship Awareness Weekends - October 3-4 thru October 25-26, 2008. Ten

witnesses shared their faith/stewardship testimonies at two weekend Masses.

- United Catholic Appeal Requests, a letter from Father Richard, and intention cards asking parishioners to commit prayer, time for ministry, gifts and talents, and treasure were sent to all parishioners. Follow up telephone calls were made, and ninety-two follow up letters were sent. 312 families returned their intention cards with commitments for prayer, service and treasure. United Catholic Appeal had \$27,925 pledged. Archdiocese had set our goal at \$56,000.
- Ministerial Celebration - January 22, 2009
294 invitations were sent out. 155 responded to attend. 40 sent donations but could not attend. Special Volunteer Awards were presented to Marylla Millard, Cookie Dooley and Joe Tenerelli.
- Education and Communication: Donna McLeish contributes weekly information to the Stewardship Column in the bulletin. Greg Carter writes monthly articles for Faith Journey.
- Continuing Education
Two members attended the International Stewardship Catholic Conference in Chicago, October 12-15, 2008. Four members attended Archdiocese Fiscal Management and Disciples Conference in Indy, June 11.
- Members are exploring the "Living Your Strengths" program. Two members attended a two day conference in Indianapolis in spring 2008. During this spring, members have taken the inventory, identified their innate strengths/gifts, explored strengths with coach Ron Greulich from the Archdiocesan Stewardship Office, and continue pursuing their understanding of gifts.
- St. Joseph University Parish Pastoral Report for July 1, 2008 - June 30, 2009 is being prepared and will appear on our parish website and be mailed to all parishioners. Emails were sent to all members of the staff, parish council and leaders/chairs of all parish programs, committees, ministries, and organizations of the parish for their report.
- The Committee agreed to support Women's Group - Terre Haute Habitat for Humanity - a project to build a home for a single mother and her two children.

COMMISSION FOR PARISH LIFE AND SOCIAL CONCERNS

A. Annulments

An annulment is a declaration by the Catholic Church that after careful investigation, flaws were discovered in the relationship that prevented it from becoming a Christian marriage. An annulment is concerned mainly with the personal and spiritual aspects of marriage. It does not "erase" the civil contract, and it does not render the children illegitimate. It merely states that after thorough investigation, the Church has decided that a marriage, as the Church understands marriage, was not valid. Ten annulments for St. Joseph University Parish have been granted by the Metropolitan Tribunal this year. One case was suspended or renounced. Eleven more cases are in progress.

B. Community Builders

There are currently nine members with several others who volunteer for our events. In October we held the annual Bonfire and Hayride at Pumpkinworks with over 125 in attendance. Another event, which we have been doing since 2001, was the Easter Vigil reception following the Vigil Mass. We served close to 100 people. We hosted one evening reception following the Parish Mission presentations to groups of 50 to 100. The most recent activity was the seventh annual Summer Party attended by over 90 people. It was catered by Fazoli's restaurant, a silent auction was held, and games were provided for the children.

C. Marriage Sponsor Couples

The Sponsor Couples help to prepare engaged couples for marriage each year. They meet with the engaged couples usually three or four times. At the first meeting they ask the engaged couples to answer a questionnaire and then use the following meetings to facilitate discussion between the couple addressing topics that arise from the results of the questionnaire. The sponsor couples helped to prepare 10 engaged couples for marriage this year.

D. Ministry of Care

Ministry of Care is a coordinated and evolving ministry in the parish. This ministry proclaims the gospel of Jesus Christ by living the gospel through service and prayer for parishioners whose health has been compromised, those who are grieving, and the caregivers who support them.

i. Cards, Casseroles and Communion

This ministry, which has 25 members, serves those parishioners who are unable to participate in the liturgy due to serious illness, recuperation after surgery/accident, or who are homebound for a short time. The mission is to keep these people connected to

our parish by sending cards, preparing and delivering meals and taking Eucharist. This year we delivered 27 meals to three people.

ii. Health Promotion

The blood pressure screening by nurses and EMT's continues monthly after the 5:00 p.m. Saturday and 9:00 a.m. Sunday Mass on the third weekend of each month. We have had more volunteers helping with the Sunday morning screenings, but now only have one volunteer for the Saturday screenings. Some months we get more parishioners than other months, but all of us who do the BP's really enjoy doing so! There is also continued maintenance of AED machines in church and school.

iii. Homebound Ministry

This ministry of four persons serves those who are homebound or who are in long term care facilities who are unable to participate in the life of the parish or attend liturgy. Each person is seen weekly or bi-weekly for a long visit and is brought Communion. Currently six parishioners are being served.

iv. Hospital Visitations

Each week a person from St. Joseph University Parish goes to Union Hospital to give Communion to patients who have made a request to the Chaplain's office. We also go to Regional Hospital when a patient notifies the church office that they wish to receive Communion. This is not a weekly event as it is at Union.

E. Mission Honduras

Although the trip to our sister parish was canceled for this year due to a lack of physicians able to participate, plans are underway for the trip in 2010. St. Joseph underwrites the salary (\$4,800.00 funded through proceeds of the Spring Fling) of Dr. Yury Sanchez to help provide low cost medical care to the people of the local community throughout the year. Additionally, St. Joseph parish continues to send 2% of its ordinary income for general support of San Maximiliano Kolbe parish as well as to support the educational outreach programs of San Maximiliano Kolbe parish.

F. Parish Family Picnic

This committee organizes the annual parish picnic which is held in Deming Park on the second Sunday in August. The sub-committees for the picnic include pre-picnic set-up, food and drink service, grilling, parking, bingo, games for kids, and clean up. Forty-four people volunteered for the 2009 picnic and approximately 350 people attended.

G. Prayer Chain Ministry

The primary purpose of this ministry is to extend to our group of now forty-four members the request of

prayers for people whose names are called in to either Sue Tenerelli or Jim Holmes. In turn they contact five sub leaders who then contact the people in their group. This ministry just began its second year and we have been averaging eight prayer requests per month.

H. Samaritan Ministry

The Food Assistance Division of the Samaritan Ministry distributed a total of 592 bags of food. This growing season we have asked parishioners to donate their excess garden produce to supplement our food bags with fresh produce. We will evaluate the effectiveness and feasibility at the end of the summer. Bread for our food baskets is being supplemented by Spring Mill Bread Company.

The Financial Assistance Division assisted 590 families for a total of \$64,394.83:

- Rent Assistance \$17,738.22
- Utility Assistance \$44,525.56
- Prescription and Stranded Traveler Assistance \$2,539.37

There was a special collection for Flood Victims which from inception raised \$7,371.78. Almost all funds have been dispersed at this time.

The St. Rose Viterbo fraternity of the Secular Franciscan Order is supporting the Samaritan Ministry with a supply of disposable diapers for emergency cases.

I. Men's Group

Last September, several men of the parish attended the state convention for Catholic Men held in Indianapolis. The group agreed to meet for mass and dinner the first Wednesday of every month. They are reading and discussing the book From Wild Men to Wise Men by Father Richard Rohr, a Franciscan who has written extensively on male spirituality. Anyone interested in becoming part of the group can attend mass on the first Wednesday of the month or contact Greg Carter at 765-832-3196 or gregocart@aol.com.

COMMISSION FOR CAMPUS MINISTRY

Campus Ministry

The primary purpose of Campus Ministry is defined by the Bishops' Pastoral on Campus Ministry: "Empowered by the Spirit." The aspects of Campus Ministry are:

- forming the faith community
- appropriating the faith
- forming the Christian conscience
- educating for justice
- facilitating personal development
- developing leaders for the future

Campus ministry emphasizes liturgy (7 p.m. each Sunday & once per month at Rose – numbers range from 5-90). Some of the other events and number of participants are Bible Study (8-10), Mass of the Holy

Spirit, Rose Frosh Welcome Mass (120), Discussion Group (8), Articles of Faith (40), Challenge Program of Spiritual Exercises (6), Habitat for Humanity (14), Ryves Hall Pre-school Christmas Gifts (7), Nursing Home Caroling and Door Decorating (10), Fun Nights, Canoe Trip (20), Hayride (20), Thanksgiving Dinner (80+), liturgical ministries at the 7 p.m. and Rose Mass plus working with the parish on major liturgies (40), Mix-n-Match Parishioner-Collegiate Program (17 pairs), Summer connections (25), Summer Mass, Food, & Fun (12), 9/11 Service at ISU (600), weekly lunch at Rose & ISU and occasionally at SMWC, 24 Hour Retreat, mini retreat at SMWC (50+), pastoral counseling, spiritual direction, and more.

There are over 400 students registered with Campus Ministry from ISU, SMWC, RHIT, and Ivy Tech.

The Campus Ministry Commission, which meets seven or so times a year, has six faculty staff members, four or five collegians plus Fr. Richard and Sr. Carmen.

The Student Campus Council which meets monthly has between eight and ten students from all three schools plus Sister Carmen.

There is one student from ISU and one from Rose who also serve on Parish Council. Campus Ministry usually has two to four student workers to assist Sr. Carmen.

The Campus Ministry events bring collegians to connect with other Catholic college students and with the parish primarily through the liturgies and then through the liturgy to other activities.

There is collaboration with year-round parishioners in the Mix-n-Match program, Thanksgiving dinner, Challenge Program, and through the Christmas and Holy Week Liturgies.

The events most popular with the collegians frequently involve food: Pizza after Mass and the Thanksgiving Dinner. Events which have especially helped to meet the Bishop's objectives are: 24 Hour Retreat, Bible Study, Challenge, Articles of Faith, and service opportunities.

Challenges for Campus Ministry are to continuously develop leadership and vision among collegians to build the program each year; to continue to develop awareness with both collegians and the year around parish of the gift it is to be a University Parish; to deal with new policies which the schools at times develop that limit access to students; to create unity in the midst of the diverse perspectives of what it means to be Catholic; and to find new sites for the Spring Break Service Trips.



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