

ST. JOSEPH UNIVERSITY PARISH PASTORAL REPORT

JULY 1, 2010-JUNE 30, 2011

Dear Parishioners:

I can't believe how the summer has gone by. I feel like it should now be the first week of July. This summer has been so busy. It's been a great summer and a lot of fun. I wouldn't want to change it. True, it has been hot, really hot, but even that seems to be passing and we are looking at cooler weather. Now, school is just around the corner, and we are already getting ready for the Parish Picnic. That means summer is just about done. It's about time to take stock and remember everything and everybody.

Our Parish Pastoral Report is also about taking stock of where we have been as a parish and remembering everything and everybody. As I look back over the past year I am so grateful to God and to all of you who have put your heart into our Christian life and into our parish community.

The Pastoral Report talks of everything from the Parish Council to Hospital Visitation, from Campus Ministry to the Parish Picnic, from the Samaritan Ministry to the yearly financial report. You would probably like to find more in the Pastoral Report about the A.C.T.S. retreats that some parishioners have been making and which we will be making available to the whole parish next year. You would probably like to find more in the report about the Buzz Group which has been brainstorming this past year about how to keep us better communicated with the media we have available. By this time next year there will be much to share from both of these.

I know you will enjoy reading the Pastoral Report. (I was fascinated when I read my first Pastoral Report; I had no idea that the parish was so alive and active.) The present Report will remind you of so many brothers and sisters, fellow parishioners, and of lives poured out in faith and in love. As you read the following Pastoral Report, you will see how St. Joseph University Parish is alive and how each of us shares in that life when we share in the different ministries of the parish. Thank you. If you feel the Lord nudging you to share in a new ministry, we will be happy to help you.

Friar Mark

PARISH INFORMATION

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Website www.stjoeup.org

Parish Population

Households 677

Individual Catholics 1,585

Total Individuals 1,780

New Registrants 39

Celebrated

Baptisms 13 total

 Infant 12

 Minor 1

 Adult 0

Burials 18

Confirmations 5

First Communions 26

Marriages 16 total

 Catholic 7

 Interfaith 9

Professions of Faith 4

(baptized in another Christian tradition and entered the Catholic Church)

Publications

Bulletin - published weekly

 Deadline: noon on Monday

Faith Journey - published in even months

 Deadline: 3rd Friday of odd months

E-mail publication information to:

parishoffice@stjoeup.org

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Accomplishments for the past year include:

- Coordinated an orientation and training program for Council members.
- Hosted joint meeting with the Campus Ministry Commission.
- Kept parishioners updated on Council activities through the bi-monthly newsletter.
- Worked on a Strategic Plan for the Parish.

- Developed an *ad hoc* committee to research tuition subsidy for St. Patrick students from St. Joseph.
- Supported parish Fish Fry and Spring Fling.
- Supported the Deanery Planning Team.
- Approved the parish budget for the 2010-2011 fiscal year.
- Welcomed Friar Mark Weaver as our new pastor.
- Added a new council position for a faculty/administrative representative from Rose Hulman.

COMMISSION FOR FAITH FORMATION

Adult Faith Formation

Adult Faith Formation consists of programs for specific events, general Catholic teaching and retreat experiences. Some of the opportunities presented in the parish were:

- Baptismal preparation classes for parents of children receiving the sacrament of Baptism.
 - 13 families had children baptized this year
 - One team person
- Small Church Community
 - One ongoing community for over seven years
 - Three for Lent and one is currently ongoing
 - These are self-led except for initial leading by Pastoral Associate
- Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)
 - Two teams: Precatechumenate, four members; Catechumenate, five members
 - Four Professions of Faith, Sacraments of Confirmation and First Eucharist
- Adult Confirmation Program
 - Two college age women went through the program in August and were Confirmed.

On the Deanery level, at various city parishes, along with other pastoral leaders, the Pastoral Associate for Adult Faith Formation plans and helps with periodic presentations on the faith and the living out of that faith today. Programs included:

- Transitus of St. Francis – approximately 60 people attended
- Military Prayer Service – approximately 20 people attended
- Valentine Dinner and Reflection for married couples – approximately 20 couples attended
- Catholics Returning Home – five people attended

Elementary Religious Education

The mission of Religious Education is 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 188 children were enrolled in the Preschool-8th grade Religious Education Program.

To help us accomplish our mission, 20 Catechists helped teach this past year. There were 23 catechists helping with the Sunday morning Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW) at the 9:00 and 11:30 am liturgies.

The parishes of St. Benedict, St. Joseph University and Sacred Heart of Jesus combined their Junior High programs again this year and met at St. Ben's. There were 68 students enrolled from all three parishes.

Activities offered:

- Once a month the children participated in the liturgy at the 9:00 am Mass by reading, greeting, and other liturgical ministries.
- On Sunday mornings at the 9:00 and 11:30 am liturgies around 35 children participated in the Children's Liturgy of the Word.
- On Christmas Eve the children participated in liturgy by: acting out the gospel; serving as lectors and greeters; and singing in a choir.
- Two sacramental retreats were held for parents and students who were preparing for First Reconciliation and Communion. There were 24 First Communicants this year.
- 100 children attended Vacation Bible School (VBS) this year at St. Patrick's the week of June 20-24. VBS was a combined effort among the Catholic churches in the city.
- The children collected money during Lent for Operation Rice Bowl. They also brought in canned goods on "Souper Bowl" Sunday which were donated to the Samaritan Food Pantry.
- RCIA for Children
 - One child was brought into the church at the Easter Vigil.
 - Two children also made their First Communion and were confirmed at the Easter Vigil.

Youth Ministry

The JUMMP Youth Ministry program includes the parishes of St. Joseph University, St. Margaret Mary, and St. Patrick, and meets at St. Patrick's.

The mission of JUMMP Youth Ministry is to minister to the high school youth of our three parishes through: Evangelization, Catechesis, Prayer and Worship, Community Life, Justice and Service, Advocacy, Pastoral Care, and Leadership Development.

Accomplishments for the past year:

- 90+ students registered for JUMMP religious education (39 from SJUP).
- Retreats, conferences, service opportunities, and social gatherings were offered to students on both local and Archdiocesan levels.
- 13 adults from the three parishes (eight from SJUP) volunteered their time to lead small group discussions amongst the high school students on Sunday evenings.
- 14 adults from the three parishes (six from SJUP) led high school catechesis on Sunday evenings.
- Nine adults served on the Youth Commission, three from SJUP.
- One high school student, a SJUP parishioner, was prepared through the JUMMP RCIA for Youth process and was fully received into the Roman Catholic Church.

The JUMMP Quarterly newsletter was sent out to over 220 families from our three parishes.

COMMISSION FOR SPIRITUAL LIFE

Altar Servers

We have approximately 56 altar servers. They consist of adults, adolescents and children that assist the priest at all of the weekend liturgies. There are four adult servers who assist at funerals and five servers that assist with weddings if requested. In order to become an altar server, an individual must be in Fifth Grade or older, and must have made their First Communion.

Altar Society

The Altar Society's main purpose is to care for and maintain the sanctuary and sacristy of the church. We provide hosts and wine for liturgies, flowers for the altar, small altar linens such as purificators, corporals, and ablution towels. We do weekly cleaning of the sanctuary and sacristy. We launder small altar linens, cassocks and albs.

- Church Cleaning. Weekly cleaning of the sanctuary and sacristy is done by eight individuals on rotation, three hours per week.

- Church Laundry. This committee is composed of three ladies who launder on rotation, the small altar linens. This can take from three to five hours weekly. One lady launders the cassocks and the albs. These are done when required.
- Funeral Luncheons. We offer a luncheon to the bereaved family of persons who have funerals in the church. For the year July, 2010, to June, 2011, we provided six luncheons. A luncheon can require two hours of shopping and getting supplies on the day prior to the funeral. The day of the luncheon requires at least six ladies. It takes at least six hours to set-up, serve, and clean-up.
- Annual Luncheon for the Good Cheer Club. The Good Cheer Club is a ministry for those with impaired vision. The annual luncheon was held on October 13, 2010. We served 15 to 20 individuals. Two ladies shop for supplies the day before for two hours. The day of the luncheon there were eight ladies that came early to set-up, serve and clean-up.
- Deanery Pastoral Personnel Luncheon. The annual luncheon for clergy and pastoral staff was held September 2, 2010. This was not catered this year since we had our new kitchen to work with. We served 15 individuals. We called ladies to bring a salad, vegetable, or dessert. We provided the main course. This required two ladies to shop the day before and to spend at least two hours on the day of the luncheon. Six ladies were there from 4 to 6 hours to set-up, serve, and clean-up.
- Eucharistic Adoration and First Friday Rosary. The rosary is usually attended by 14 to 16 ladies and this is followed by a brown bag luncheon. Eucharistic Adoration is not strictly for the Altar Society but is a parish-wide activity. There are 20 individuals currently devoting one hour for adoration regularly. Other parishioners drop in at their convenience to spend time in adoration.

Environment

The Environment Committee has nine active and nine part-time members. They prepare the church for all weekend masses and special occasions. They are responsible for decorating for special celebrations such as First Communion, Confirmation, Lent, Palm Sunday, Pentecost,

Easter, Advent, Christmas, and the Feast of St. Francis. The committee is involved with the setup of All Soul's candles, which includes approximately 400 candles a week during the month of November as well as the banners which have the names of the deceased written on them. The committee is also responsible for the weekly watering and maintenance of all indoor plants and flowers in the church during the year. Volunteers are always needed and encouraged to call Christy Higgins (230-2414). Questions, comments, and concerns about the church environment are always welcome.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

There are currently 66 active Eucharistic Ministers and 13 substitutes. Each weekend, 22 ministers are scheduled for the four Masses: four for the 5:00 pm Mass, six each for the 9:00 am and 11:30 am Masses, and six for the 7:00 pm Mass. This number increases to more than 150 ministers needed for Masses during Thanksgiving, Christmas, Holy Week, Easter, Feast Days and Holy Days. We are fortunate to be able to include collegiate ministers during the school year (mid-August to mid-May) at the 7:00 pm Mass.

Dorothy Chambers is responsible for collecting time availabilities from the active ministers and creating and disseminating a two-month schedule. Dorothy works with Donna McKenzie to recruit new ministers and to ensure that they are trained. New Eucharistic Ministers are always welcomed and appreciated.

Hospitality Ministry

- **Gregorian Café**

Four to eight Cafe Helpers provide a gathering for parishioners in the Gregorian Room after the 9:00 am Mass. They serve approximately 35-50 people. This service is provided on Sundays, September through May, when the children meet for Religious Education. Volunteers pick up food, set up for coffee, tea, etc. and clean up.

- **Hospitality**

Approximately 110 Hospitality Ministers prepare the church for prayer and worship each Sunday and Holy Day. They welcome our people as they distribute hymnals, missalettes or worship aids. They help with seating, offertory collections, bulletin distribution, and provide any other assistance that is needed. Those

volunteering for this ministry are given 'on the job' training. Leaders participate in appropriate training sessions.

Lectors

Lectors proclaim the Word of the Lord at each Mass. Fifty-one lectors in total have served in this ministry over the past year. If you would like to be a lector, training is available.

Liturgy Committee

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

Liturgical ministers were commissioned at Masses on Corpus Christi. Representatives attended the Chrism Mass during Holy Week in Indianapolis. We hosted Sing Praise, an interfaith celebration with music. Parishioners were presented with Lenten reflection medallions. Pentecost intercessions were presented in various languages by parishioners.

The committee has planned for and initiated the transitions required with the upcoming changes to the Roman Missal. The changes will be implemented gradually. New song books and missals will be required. Various communications will inform parishioners and ease the transition to the updated Roman Missal.

Music

Music is an important part of each liturgy. The ministry includes 20 choir members. Ten of the members cantor at the Saturday and Sunday Masses. Choir practice is held on every Wednesday at 7:00 pm except for the month of June. Steve Prescott is the choir director at the 9:00 am mass and the Wednesday choir rehearsals. Becky Doti is the Coordinator of Music and Liturgy, which includes cantor scheduling and training, organizing and planning all materials/music, and worship aides. Rosemary Shavloske is the piano accompanist and Andrew Gearhart is the organist. There are various instrumentalists that will play for any Mass.

During Easter the choir sings at all of the Masses during Holy Week, the Easter Vigil, and the

Easter day Masses. Practices will be added or will go longer to learn various music.

During Christmas the choir will sing at the Midnight Mass. This includes 30 minutes of music before the Mass begins. During Easter and Christmas a brass quartet is hired from Indiana State University to add to the music.

Sacristans

Currently we have 11 individuals who regularly act as sacristans. Their duties are to arrive at least 45 minutes prior to Mass, turn on the lights, and set-up the vessels needed for Mass. Before Mass begins, they verify that the microphones are in place and turned on. If servers are not present the sacristan lights the candles.

They serve the entire church community by assuring that everything needed to make the liturgies run smoothly is provided allowing the priest to have more time to prepare for Mass without having to be concerned with set-up.

The four Masses on weekends require about 208 hours of time over the course of the year and daily responsibilities (Monday thru Friday) requires about 260 hours.

Sunday Nursery Service

The Sunday Nursery Service was discontinued in 2011 due to lack of participation. However, we anticipate its return and interested volunteers would be welcomed to provide this service to parents and parishioners attending Mass.

COMMISSION FOR STEWARDSHIP

Buildings and Grounds

This past year, parishioners:

- Painted the main hallway of the Parish Center.
- Prepped and painted an upstairs bathroom in the Parish Office building.
- Repaired two dry erase boards in the Parish Center.
- Installed an on-demand hot water system for the sacristy.
- Painted church plaster repairs.
- Patched walls in the Parish Office building after the electrical upgrade.
- See Garden Caretakers

Future projects:

- Fall perennial planting in front of the Parish Office building.
- Painting the Parish Office building rear porch.
- Painting Parish Center rooms.

To date the committee has been underutilized because of the time and attention necessary for the facility projects that are on-going.

Garden Caretakers

Caretakers cleaned the pedestals for St. Joseph and St. Mother Theodore, fixed the loose bricks and leveled them, and trimmed the tree limbs over the statues. They also fixed the pedestal that St. Joseph stands upon and painted the base. Two parishioners have helped with this project. However, they would like to have another person help them maintain the two statues.

Bulletin Stuffing

We have 35 individuals/teams that stuff the weekend bulletins. Each individual/team are assigned one or two weekends a year. We always have one insert but sometimes have as many as three. There are approximately 450 bulletins to stuff each week.

Collection Money Counters

About 13 counters rotate weekly to count the parish collection. Counting the collection takes two to three hours each time. These are dedicated people who like seeing numbers balance on the count sheet.

Finance Committee

The Finance Committee meets the third Tuesday of the month except in June. The committee reviews financial reports, approves business policies, reviews bids for projects and makes recommendations to Parish Council. They also prepare and recommend an annual budget to the Parish Council. Anyone interested in becoming a member of Finance Council should call the office to express their interest.

Fundraising

- Fish Fry. Our annual parish Fish Fry was held on Friday, April 15, 2011. 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. The profit this

year was about \$1,800. Next year's event will be on the first Friday of Lent, February 24, 2012. We have a wonderful group of volunteers but more are always welcome for this busy event.

- Spring Sweepstakes 2010. The Spring Sweepstakes dinner and silent auction was held on May 20, 2011 at the Idle Creek Banquet Center. We had 24 people active on the committee. The event is open to and supported by the Terre Haute community. This year we sold 291 out of 300 sweepstakes tickets. We sold 242 dinners for the night of the Sweepstakes. The Silent Auction proceeds were up from the previous year. The profit after expenses from the sweepstakes and silent auction was \$19,115.44.

Office Help

There are a few individuals who help answer phones in the office on the occasion when no staff is available to do so. The number of times this is required is minimal but greatly appreciated when needed.

Newsletter Mailing

The *Faith Journey* newsletter is mailed every other month. In total about 15 people participate; usually about eight to ten people come on a given month. We fold, tab and label newsletters for each parish family (about 680).

Stewardship Committee

This committee seeks to promote, make aware, and serve as an example of what we as Christians are called to do, Live The Gospel. Our goal is to assist the parish in creating and becoming a culture of stewardship. Our focus is on each individual's gifts and their interests within the Church, the community and the world. We strive to assist parishioners in the sharing of their talent and time. This committee also coordinates the Parish Stewardship and Archdiocesan *Christ Our Hope* appeal each fall, the parish Ministry Fair, the parish Pastoral Report and the Ministerial Celebration Dinner. This year our Ministerial Celebration was held at Excalibur Catering in West Terre Haute. This dinner recognized and celebrated the many volunteers in parish ministries and gave special recognition to three parishioners whose long and

significant contribution to the parish is worthy of special mention.

The committee meets the first Thursday of each month and consists of 10 members. New members are always welcome.

COMMISSION FOR PARISH LIFE AND SOCIAL CONCERNS

Community Builders

Approximately 130 people attended the fall event at PumpkinWorks in Paris, IL. An Easter Vigil Reception was held Holy Saturday evening for those newly received into the Church. The Summer Party was held June 25th in the Gregorian Room. The silent auction was a big success this year. Community Builders also hosts a reception following one or more nights of any Parish Mission. The committee organized in 2001 currently has nine active members who coordinate and host these events.

Funeral Luncheon Ministry

The funeral luncheon ministry provides a lunch and welcoming atmosphere for a parish family during its time of mourning. Seven to eight ladies help in preparation, serving and clean-up on the day of the luncheon. There is a phone chain of 20 who are called on a rotating basis to donate salad or dessert. Six luncheons were provided during the past year. The lowest number served was 20 and the highest number served was 84. The year's total served was about 325 people. The Altar Society funds the luncheons - donations are greatly appreciated. All the volunteers are dedicated, hard working ladies who show up at a moment's notice. New volunteers are always needed.

Honduras Mission

The committee has held extensive conversations with Padre Isidoro from Parroquia San Maxamiliano Kolbe Parish before, during and after his visit to St. Joe's this year. A mission trip to Comayaguela is being planned for October, 2011 with both medical and construction teams.

Pro-Life

The Pro-Life Committee meets at 6:00 pm on the 3rd Thursday of each month in the Parish Office immediately following the Pro-Life Mass at 5:15 pm. Our committee's directive is to spread

Catholic teachings on Pro-Life in a non-threatening, peaceful way to our parish and the public. Our mission is to uphold all life “from the cradle to the grave.” We support and share a presence at various Pro-Life events including the March for Life in Indianapolis, Sanctity for Life at the Riverwalk Conference Center, Wabash Valley Right to Life Banquet and many more. You may see us in the back of church on Respect Life Sunday or manning the Tribune-Star Pro-Life ad campaign tables. We have a Holy Hour at 1st Friday Adoration from 9:30 am – 10:30 am in the church. We also observe an hour of prayer on the 3rd Saturday of each month along the sidewalk in front of Planned Parenthood. We would welcome any new members who would like to share in this ministry.

Marriage Sponsor Couples

There are currently 17 married couples that assist in preparing engaged couples for marriage. Of the group we have three inactive couples. They have assisted in the marriage preparation of 17 couples, and three couples who decided not to get married. Sponsor Couples facilitate communication between engaged persons regarding their attitudes on various topics which are important to understand as spouses.

Men’s Group

The St. Joseph’s Men’s Group is in its third year of existence. Several men from the parish continue to share their faith and friendship by meeting the first Wednesday of every month. They meet for Mass at 5:15 and then go to the Grand Traverse Pie Company for dinner and discussion. Friar John Bamman regularly joins the group.

The group has begun the study of the four Gospels. They are currently studying the Gospel of Mark and plan to proceed to the Gospels of Matthew, Luke and John. Each meeting is devoted to discussion of a chapter of the particular Gospel.

New members are always welcome. Anyone interested in participating is welcome to join the group at Mass on the first Wednesday of every month. For additional information please call Greg Carter at (765) 832-3196 or email him at gregocart@aol.com.

Ministry of Care

Ministry of Care is the overall title for several ministries of the parish has that involves

more than spiritual care of parishioners. There are three at the moment:

- Homebound Ministry provides Eucharist and connection with the parish for those who are unable to attend Mass on either a long-term or permanent basis. There are currently three parishioners who have visited and taken Eucharist to four parishioners during the past year.
- Hospital Visitation is ministry to hospital patients. Currently St. Joseph’s takes Eucharist to Union Hospital on Monday and Wednesday and Saturday, and to Regional Hospital on Wednesday. Ministers see all patients in the hospital who have requested Eucharist and prayer. One minister also visits Terre Haute Nursing and Rehabilitation Center one day a week for Eucharistic and prayer.
- Cards, Casseroles and Communion is the final area under the Ministry of Care. There are 18 members on this committee. The ministry 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 them connected to their parish by sending cards, preparing and delivering meals, and taking Eucharist. Twenty-four meals were provided for four individuals this year. No tally is kept for the total number of cards, but many are sent to cheer and comfort. Persons needing meal delivery or who would like to receive cards or Communion may call the Parish Office 232-7011.

Parish Picnic

The annual Parish Picnic, catered by Sodexo ISU, was held in August 2010 at Deming Park. Special games captured the children’s attention, and many adults enjoyed playing Bingo. Approximately 200 parishioners attended. The event came in under budget. A pair of Colts tickets were raffled as a small fundraiser. The Parish Picnic is always one of the best attended events sponsored by the parish each year.

Prayer Chain Ministry

The Prayer Chain Ministry (PCM) began to function as an active group in April of 2008. Its purpose is to receive requests for immediate and

emergency prayer. The PCM group then prays for those intentions. One hundred forty-nine persons were prayed for by 61 PCM members. Of the 61 PCM members, two are co-chairs and six are group leaders. The group's members are in contact with each other by telephone/e-mail. Other parishioners are invited to join this ministry or those wishing to request prayer may do so by calling the phone numbers printed in the weekly church bulletin. Parishioners may also sign up for this ministry during the annual Stewardship drive.

Samaritan Ministry

For the past year the Samaritan Ministry has, at times, been almost overwhelmed by the difficulties of having an ever increasing number of people requesting assistance for unbelievable amounts of money. This is also coupled with a very high rate of recidivism. We had a policy of only helping once every twelve months. Still we spent a portion of every day we were in the office checking our records to see if the client's time was up, and if they could come in for yet another round of assistance. It got to the point where we started running out of money by the middle of the month.

After prayerful discernment, we have decided to institute a new policy based on the fact that we are according to our mission statement an emergency assistance program. We are, at present, able to assist FIRST TIME requests only. The reason we went to the once every twelve-month policy was for exactly the same reason we are changing to first time clients. We must teach and strengthen our client base and not make them continue to depend upon us in a fiscally unhealthy manner. We are hoping to reach out to a broader base of families and individuals keeping our focus on the new poor, working poor and emergency one time requests from the neediest county citizens.

We are also going to start dialoguing with our clients about their discretionary spending habits to see if cable bills, cigarette purchases and extra cell phone bills are paid before essential bills are paid. Then and only then, will assistance requested for rent, utilities and prescriptions be considered. Priorities need to be adjusted for many of the people requesting assistance. The poverty is great, the numbers of people is ever increasing. Resources are finite. Education must become our first line of help.

Our food bank policies remain unchanged with no need for any adjustment at this time.

- Cash received (all donations) \$75,580.09
 - Cash out \$69,503.88
 - Utilities \$45,838.44
 - Rent \$22,524.48
 - Prescriptions \$1,140.96
- Total families receiving assistance 521
- Food bags distributed 516

Miscellaneous activity:

- A refrigerator was purchased with grant funds to hold fresh produce and dairy.
- 155 pounds of produce was received from out "Gardeners for God" in 2010.

Annulments

Please contact Friar Mark if you wish to:

- Seek an annulment for a first marriage
- Convalidate your present marriage
- Once again become a part of the sacramental life of the Church

Welcome New Parishioners Committee

Revived this past year after a hiatus, the purpose of the Welcome Committee is simply to welcome new parishioners. Welcome cards are sent to new members and follow-up phone calls are made two weeks later. New parishioners are invited by telephone to various church functions such as: the St. Joseph Soup Supper, Fish Fry, and Parish Picnic. We are official welcomers at the St. Joseph Soup Supper and picnic. We have welcomed 16 new members/families this year. Our committee meets on an as-needed basis in the Parish Center DJV room.

Our goal is to make personal contact with each newcomer and invite them to participate in the picnic and meet and greet parishioners. The pastor gives a special blessing to all newcomers at the Parish Picnic.

Our committee feels that if our newcomers feel welcome, appreciated and loved, they will develop a sense of belonging and identity with St. Joseph University Parish.

COMMISSION FOR CAMPUS MINISTRY

The Pastoral Letter on Campus Ministry, *Empowered by the Spirit*, says that:

"The eye of faith discerns campus ministry where commitment to Christ and care for the academic world meet in purposeful activity to serve and realize the kingdom of God."

This is the mission that has animated Campus Ministry at St. Joseph University Parish during the 2010-2011 academic year!

One of the more significant events for Campus Ministry has been the arrival of our new campus ministers Jeff & Carol Schaffer. For them, the year has been one of getting to know the parish and university communities as well as the particulars of Campus Ministry at St. Joe's. They will continue their ministry next year.

Campus Ministry has continued to provide many of the activities seen during previous years: welcome events, Masses at St. Joe's and the RHIT White Chapel, pizza socials, music ministry, canoe trip, Christmas House Giving Tree, Ryves Hall Preschool Christmas party, Thanksgiving Dinner and Power Lunches to name but a few. New programs included the Cardinal Newman Beatification Mass, the RHIT *Faith Alive!* discussion group, and the RHIT Catholic Fellowship Luncheons. In the year ahead, Campus Ministry will be working to establish a Campus Ministry Internship and reestablish the Mix-n-Match "adopt-a-student" program.

Over the past year, campus ministry has also made an effort to strengthen relationships with various academic and ecumenical partners. In particular, relationships with the new campus minister at St. Mary-of-the-Woods, administrators at RHIT and the ISU University Religious Leaders have been fruitful.

Finally, Campus Ministry has improved its use of technology to connect with students. The Campus Ministry website has been redesigned. (www.campusmin.stjoeup.org). E-mails to students have been spruced up considerably. We have begun utilizing ISU's TreeHouse, linking organizations with students (Think *Facebook* on steroids!).

Goals for the year ahead include:

- 1) Continue to develop student leadership
- 2) Cultivate the parish's mission to higher education
- 3) Improve student outreach and recruitment
- 4) Provide a quality winter/spring break service trip
- 5) Increase opportunities for personal encounters between campus ministers and students
- 6) Establish a student choir for the 7:00 pm Mass.

FISCAL YEAR FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Thanks to generosity of the parishioners of St. Joseph we were able to cover the expenses of the 2010/2011 budget year. We have a surplus of

\$35,698.91 for fiscal year 2010/2011. The Capital Improvement Savings part of the surplus (\$11,500) was moved to a savings account that we use to accrue funds to pay for future major expenses (like a roof). The roof of the Parish Office building is at the end of its life so the funds that we have been accruing yearly, when possible, will be used for this upcoming expense.

The surplus resulted in part from Legacy for Our Mission pledge donations and capital improvement expenses accrued at the end of the fiscal year which were not billed until after the close of the fiscal year. So the net income (surplus) is inflated.

Categories in the Financial Summary on the next page are combined for this report. Only a few explanations are necessary. The "Other Income" category consists of donations for flowers, religious articles, bulletin rebates from the printer, bank interest, and bequests. "Charity and Other Expenses" consists of \$11,228.81 given to the Honduras Mission, \$1,841.80 in miscellaneous expenses, and some Search Committee and Evangelization expenses.

Note that all donations to Archdiocesan national collections are not included anywhere in our report. These funds are only funneled through us to the Archdiocese Mission Office. This year a total of \$19,171.00 was forwarded to the Archdiocese for these charitable collections.

If you total the Samaritan Ministry donations, the Archdiocesan national collections, and the Honduras mission charity, this parish donated \$108,181.64 outside of the parish. In a typical year we might also have included \$4,800 to that amount for Honduras medical supplies.

Notice that the Sunday and Holyday offerings did not meet the expected budgeted amounts set for the year. As a result the entire budget for the new fiscal year has been reduced both in income and expenses. All line items have been adjusted to balance the new budget.

St Joseph University Parish
 Financial Summary for Fiscal Year 2010/2011

	Actual Income	Budget
Sunday Offering	560,304.36	590,000.00
Holyday Offering	20,840.68	25,000.00
Maintenance	15,841.20	14,500.00
Pamphlet & Candle Income	8,566.68	3,300.00
Donations	45,523.58	40,000.00
Fundraising (Fish Fry & Spring Social)	36,502.58	40,500.00
Rel Ed/YM/CM	6,755.00	8,390.00
Endowment Income - 3 accounts	1,822.80	1,625.00
Rents and Fees	9,065.00	6,150.00
Legacy For Our Mission	54,160.49	0.00
Investment Income	15,987.25	15,000.00
Samaritan Income	77,781.83	48,000.00
Altar Society Income	6,191.53	3,000.00
Other Income	6,545.70	4,700.00
Total	865,888.68	800,165.00

	Actual Expense	Budget
Salaries, Combined	280,170.91	305,663.00
Continuing Ed & Benefits	76,509.75	83,520.00
Stipends (Priest subs & annulments)	2,396.25	4,600.00
Office/Computer/Copier	16,269.41	23,000.00
Maintenance	20,774.38	12,900.00
Utilities	27,571.26	34,000.00
Liturgy, All Music, & Sacristy Supplies	43,909.25	39,785.00
Parish Committees & Adult Formation	6,689.48	12,800.00
Archdiocesan Assessments	138,763.63	141,617.00
Charity & Other Expenses	14,074.47	19,850.00
RelEd/YM/CM	12,199.91	19,810.00
Fundraising (Fish Fry & Spring Social)	15,575.56	23,000.00
Capital Improvements (Electrical & Other)	91,459.29	16,500.00
Samaritan Expense	77,969.17	48,000.00
Altar Society Expense	5,857.05	3,620.00
Capital Improvement Savings	0.00	11,500.00
Total	830,189.77	800,165.00

Net Income **\$35,698.91**