

# **Holy Family Parish – ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2008-09**

## **Pastoral Council Report:** by Mark Powers, Chair

The past fiscal year (July through June) was an active one for the Pastoral Council, reflecting the changing world both inside and outside the Holy Family Church community. The Council serves as an advisory group to the pastor and one of the major discussion items at many meetings this past year involved the Capital Campaign. The council recommended that Holy Family initiate the campaign following significant research and outreach by Father Ibach, staff and fellow parishioners. The council continues to provide advice to Father Vega as this significant commitment by parishioners enters a new stage.

This was the first year of the 2008-2013 Pastoral Plan and staff should be congratulated on the progress made toward implementation. Concrete steps were taken to increase the outreach to young adults, expand the participation of children, youth and family in liturgy and music, and expand the welcoming ministry.

The end of the year marked the departure of Father Ibach and the arrival of Father Vega as our new pastor. This is an exciting transition and the council is there to assist Father Vega as he shapes and directs Holy Family into the future.

**Members of the Pastoral Council** Fr. Mike Ibach – Priest Administrator  
Mark Powers – Chair, Margaret Keily, Nancy Gross, Colleen Kinney, Dennis Michael, Eric Patrick, Rich Sinclair, Lori Sybouts, Vickie Urlacher, John Wells, Youth Council-  
Audrey Urlacher

## **Parish Financial Report:** by Karen Dietzen, Chair

During the past fiscal year (July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009) we experienced a decrease in Sunday collections due to the economic downturn that began this year. Because of this, Holy Family parish experienced a budget deficit of \$22,400. However, due to several bequests and additions to the reserve fund, we were able to increase our Reserve Fund to slightly over \$180,000.

After a year and a half of preparation, the capital campaign began in February 2009. As of June 30, 2009, the campaign was nearing the \$2,000,000 mark in amounts pledged with a final amount of \$2,039,614 pledged by September 30, 2009. The operating budget that has been adopted for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010 is a zero balanced budget and reflects a 5% decrease in Sunday collections. Because there could be continued decreases to collections and campaign pledges over the next year, the council will review the operating budget for any modifications that will need to be made to keep the budget in balance. The campaign pledges that have been collected have allowed us to put a new roof on the church and, as campaign pledges are received, Father Vega will make decisions with respect to prioritizing the needs of the parish in the utilization of those funds.

**Members of the Finance Council**

Fr. Mike Ibach - Presider

Karen Dietzen – Chair, Randy Grava , Dave Ross, Marilyn Vorenkamp, Tom Schaub