

## Parish Annual Activity Report 2009

This past year was a good year for our parish. We had many celebrations and special events in our parish. You will see more of the details below. We are very blessed by the large number of parishioners who give of their time, talent and treasure to enable our parish to carry out Christ's mission.

- **Sacraments**

We had **39** baptisms during the past year: **27** infants, **14** adults. The RCIA program welcomed **13** people into the Catholic Church. **64** people were confirmed. About **105** people were anointed either individually or at a communal service. **12** couples were married at our parish. And **41** funerals were celebrated during the year.

- **Welcoming**

We welcomed **50** new families to our parish last year, for a total of **1536** registered households in our parish. Special events celebrated during the year included our annual Parish Mission, Family Masses, monthly Senior Luncheons, Ministry appreciation dinners, Musical Production and the Christmas program.

- **Religious Education**

There were **175** students enrolled in our parish religious education program, from **preschool** through **8 grade**. **76** students received First Reconciliation and First Eucharist and Vacation Bible School (BEARS) **120** . Additionally, several adult religious education sessions.

- **Youth Ministry**

**90** students were involved in our High School Youth Ministry program. This ministry included both religious education and creating community for our Youth. Highlights of the year included the Diocesan Youth Convention, summer and winter retreats, and **39** students celebrated confirmation.

### **Liturgy**

Many people were involved in all aspects of our liturgical ministries: Eucharistic ministers, lectors, servers, ushers, greeters, cantors, choir and accompanists. They help make our liturgies meaningful and spiritual.

- **Special Collections**

We donated to Hurricane Relief, Catholic Home Mission, Campaign for Human Development, Religious National Retirement Collection, Rice Bowl, World Mission, St. Vincent de Paul a total of **\$15,069.67** and to the Bishop's Annual Catholic Appeal a total of **\$119,710.00**. Other special collections that were taken throughout the year included Fr. Gaudy's Boys, Life Choices (Baby Bottles), and "Food for the Poor"