



St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church

2008 Year-End Report

Saint Joan of Arc Pastoral Council is pleased to publish this year-end report on the status of our parish and the events that have taken place in 2008. It is an opportunity to both look back and remember the joys and challenges of the past year and also to look forward to God's plan for our faith family in 2009 and how each of us is called to be a part of that plan. We invite you to spend some time reading it and see for yourself what we can and have accomplished as we work together with the help of the Holy Spirit to bring the light of Christ to the world.

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Worship Council

Sacraments

Baptism	21 Infants 9 Children 10 Adults
Confirmation	46
First Communion	52
Marriages	3
Convalidations	5
Funerals	21

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

There were abundant opportunities in 2008 to attend Mass at St Joan of Arc:

- 416 Weekday Masses
- 260 Sunday Masses
- 16 Holy Day Masses
- 50 Nursing Home Masses
- 1 Barn Mass (Feast of St. Nicholas)

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

First Friday Nocturnal Adoration: 11 with an average of 50 adorers per night
 Thursday Adoration: 51 with an average of 25 adorers per day
 Forty Hours Adoration in November

Contacts:

Nocturnal Adoration: Joan Klemko
 Thursday Adoration: Linda Grady
 453-7419

Liturgical Ministers

Contemporary Choir: 15 members
 Directors Chris Rohaly & Joe Chladil
 Robed Choir: 15 members
 Directors Grace Betzner & Gary Wallyn
 Youth Choir: 6 members
 Director Christine Morgan
 Cantors: 10
 Organists: 7

Coordinators of Liturgical Music:
 Cindy Rohaly, Joe Chladil

Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHC): 70

Contact Terri Hellmann

Sacristans: 7 adults and 8 teenagers

Contact Ray Ackerman

Lectors: 35

Contact Henry Holkenbrink

Altar Servers: 30

Contact Ryan Hillman

Knights of the Holy Maiden: 13

Contact Sean Aaron

Other Highlights

Liturgy of the Word for Children was offered on Sundays during the 9:00 a.m. Mass. Children from three years old through reception of their First Holy Communion were invited to participate in LOWC from the Children's Lectionary and related activities. Weekly participation ranged from 50 to 70 children.

Contact Therese Bath, 868-9621

Parish families participated weekly in praying for vocations with the Elijah Cup.

The following were made possible thanks to the generosity and talent of parishioners:

- * Nineteen new priest and deacon vestments with the matching chalice veil and burse in the liturgical colors of green, red, violet, white and gold
- * A jeweled crown for the statue of Mary in the sanctuary
- * A new ambo for the sanctuary
- * A white altar cloth and matching tabernacle veil, first used at Easter
- * Energy efficient fluorescent light bulbs in the worship space
- * A safe for the Mass vessels



Corpus Christi

CARING MINISTRIES

Ministry of Care

Takes Holy Communion to the homebound and those in hospitals and nursing homes

Ministers of Care:	16
Homebound visited:	15 (weekly)
Nursing homes visited:	7
Nursing home residents visited:	typically 68 (weekly)

Other:

- * Howard Regional Hospital visited on Saturdays and Sundays
- * Mass celebrated monthly at four area nursing homes (the six ministers that assist alternate months with St. Patrick).
- * Anointing Mass celebrated on Saturday, October 4, with a reception following; an estimated 60 people participated
- * Vespers celebrated November 16 to pray for the deceased of our parish and families; about 35 people attended

Ministry of Care Bus

Provides handicap accessible transportation to those otherwise unable to attend Mass

Bus Drivers:	8
Helpers:	16
Riders:	19

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Approximately 12 women provided 157 blessed prayer shawls to those suffering from mental or physical difficulties. The ladies meet the first and third Wednesday of each month for prayer and to crochet or knit the prayer shawls.

Ministry of Praise

Not active in 2008

Bereavement

Not active in 2008

Funeral Dinners

Volunteers:	25
Dinners provided:	12

Cancer Support Group

Volunteers:	4
Meetings:	2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month
Participants:	8

Parish Nurses

Volunteers:	3
Blood Pressure Screenings:	once per month
CPR training:	offered to parish staff, 8 participants

Pro-Life Events

March for Life (January 19-23)

Attendees: 6 adults and 21 youth

Activities included visits to the John Paul II Center, Franciscan Monastery and Gardens and Arlington National Cemetery, as well as attendance at the Vigil Mass at the National Basilica, the Verizon Center Youth Rally and Mass and the March for Life itself.

Respect Life weekend (October 4-5)

Approximately 20 people attended a viewing of the movie "Bella"; snacks and popcorn were provided for a freewill offering. Respect life items such as bracelets and bumper stickers were available after all Masses and an estimated 75 people participated in the local Life Chain on Sunday afternoon.

Pro-life weekend (December 6-7)

Fr. Peter West from *Priests for Life* preached the weekend Masses and gave a talk Saturday evening on abortion issues to an estimated 40 people. On Sunday evening, he spoke to the High School Religious Education students. Volunteers sponsored a Chicken and Noodle free-will offering dinner on Saturday evening. Respect life items such as bracelets and bumper stickers were available after all Masses.

Birthright of Kokomo

Provides counseling and help to girls and women facing an unplanned pregnancy and offers alternatives to abortion.

24 Hour Hotline: 1-800-550-4900

Guidance Counselors:	20 volunteers
Fringeworkers:	40 volunteers
<i>Fringeworkers assist in the office, wash and prepare maternity and baby clothes, clean the office, and perform other miscellaneous tasks.</i>	
Hours Open:	Monday - Thursday, noon - 5:00 p.m. or by appointment
Clients:	954
Client Visits:	1709
Phone Calls:	1349
Pregnancy Tests:	921

Hispanic Ministry

St. Joan of Arc sponsored a food pantry for two days to distribute non-perishable items provided by the government.

Jail Ministry

Deacon Ron Morrow made approximately 30 visits to the jail in 2008 to spend time with those inmates that requested to have a Catholic priest or deacon visit them for spiritual direction and counseling.

Habitat for Humanity

Apostle's Build, planned for 2008, was delayed to early 2009.

St. Vincent de Paul Store

Both St. Joan of Arc and St. Patrick parishes participate in this ministry

Families helped:	788
Thanksgiving baskets:	41
Groceries provided:	\$15,973.50
Clothing provided:	\$ 9,842.30
Sharing Sunday donations:	\$10,761.05 (not including non-perishable food)
Total Store Income:	\$25,468.82
Total Store Expenses:	\$18,374.94

Christmas Giving Tree

St. Joan of Arc provided gifts and assistance to forty families whose names were provided by the Salvation Army as well as an additional seven families from our parish. During December, four families received \$50 each toward rent and two families received \$50 each toward electric bills.

Telecare

Not active in 2008.

Haiti Twinning Project

Provides monthly support to the parish and school of our sister parish, Our Lady of Mount Carmel, in Bas-Limbe; also funds special requests as the ministry is able

Monetary Assistance:	\$1,250/month
Medical Missions:	none in 2008
Total 2008 Expenses:	\$20,663.00
Second Collection (April):	\$ 3,487.00
Rummage Sale Income:	\$ 3,220.00 (youth ministry also received \$3,220.00 from the rummage sale)
Haiti Items Raffle:	\$ 530.00
Individual Donations:	\$ 3,988.00
Total 2008 Income:	\$11,225.00

Chapel Gift Shop

Staff:	26 volunteers
Hours:	4 days per week, 21 hours total
Sales:	\$22,913.67
Donated:	\$1,000.00 each to St. Vincent de Paul and Sts. Joan of Arc and Patrick Tuition Assistance

Kokomo Serra Club

Serra is an international organization with three main objectives: to foster and promote vocations to the ministerial priesthood in the Catholic Church as a particular vocation to service and to support priests in their sacred ministry; to encourage and affirm vocations to consecrated religious life in the Catholic Church; to assist its members to recognize and respond in their own lives to God's call to holiness in Jesus Christ and through the Holy Spirit

Membership: 26 (both Kokomo parishes)
Meetings: twice monthly (first Tuesday and third Sunday)

Activities:

- * Visit with the Sisters in Tipton
- * Visit with the Poor Clares
- * Clergy Recognition Banquet
- * Vocation Poster contest for the children of St. Joan of Arc and St. Patrick parishes
- * Developing a Vocation prayer card listing the seminarians of our diocese who are discerning for the priesthood.

FAMILY LIFE MINISTRIES

Holy Family Catholic

Conference

In May, St. Joan of Arc and St. Patrick parishes hosted the second annual Indiana Holy Family Catholic Conference at Kokomo High School. One hundred and ninety eight families registered for the conference. Three hundred and forty adults, 59 High School students, 52 Middle School students and 204 children attended presentations by Dr. Ray Guarendi, Patty Schneier, hiking4jesus and Father Antoine. Music was provided by Bernie Choiniere and the Houseband. Over 300 volunteers helped host the conference.

Financial Peace University

No classes were offered in 2008

Father's Day Dinner

On June 18, approximately 75 fathers from St. Joan of Arc and St. Patrick attended a cook-out on the terrace. Hamburgers and chicken were grilled by our priests and seminarians. Joe Lustig, St. Maria Goretti parishioner, Guerin Catholic math teacher and father of nine, gave the keynote address.

Moms Ministry

Coffee and Donuts/Panera Bread

Twenty-four dozen donuts served each Sunday
Volunteers: 43
Offered: 48 Sundays after the 7:30 and 9:00 am Masses.

Mother's Day Dinner

Two hundred women attended the annual Mother's Day dinner on May 15. Moms Ministry donated proceeds of \$967 to the Parish Festival. The keynote speaker was Veronica Gibbs.

New Baby Welcome Party

Fourteen moms and babies attended a dinner provided by women of the parish and held in June. The dinner provided the opportunity for the new moms to meet others through Moms Ministry.

Meals for new mothers

Volunteers: All 132 members of Moms Ministry assist with providing meals on a rotating basis
Recipients: 13 new moms, 3 meals each

Mom's Morning Out

Cooperative childcare held in the Holy Family Room Thursdays from 8:00 - 11:30 a.m.
This ministry was active in early 2008 but is currently inactive due to a lack of participation.

Mom's Night Out

Outings at local or out of town restaurants for dinner and fellowship
Mom's Night Out met monthly in 2008.

Elizabeth Ministry

An outreach to women facing miscarriage or other crises of motherhood

Volunteers: 14
Recipients: 10

Style Show

Moms Ministry sponsored the annual Style Show on April 23. It included dinner, a silent auction and fashions from several local stores and boutiques. Margi Moore chaired the event, which raised \$6,500 for the Sts. Joan of Arc and Patrick School reading program.

Moms Ministry also sponsored two families at Christmas this year, providing clothing, toys, needed household items and \$50 Kroger gift certificates.

Kindergarten-8th Grade Religious

Education

154 total children in Sunday Religious Education 2008-09

K	8	3 rd	16	6 th	13
1 st	19	4 th	8	7 th	16
2 nd	26	5 th	28	8 th	20

Catechists: 13 adults, 4 teen helpers

1st Eucharist May 2008: 38 children (2007-2008 class)

1st Reconciliation 2008-09: 40 children

Children receiving sacraments also include those from Sts. Joan of Arc and Patrick School and home school students.

Vacation Bible School at St. Patrick (including ten teen helpers)
73 St. Joan of Arc children, 72 St. Patrick children

F.I.R.E.

(Fan the Flame - Inspiration through Religious Enrichment)

Summer Classes Offered (Seminarians & Chad Grube): 9 weeks,
5 offerings per week

Summer Basic Classes Offered: 18 (each class offered once in the morning & once in the evening)

Summer Specialized Classes Offered: 18 (each class offered once in the morning & once in the evening)

Summer Advanced Classes Offered: 2 (each class was 2 sessions)

Average Number of Participants at AM Sessions: 6-8

Average Number of Participants at PM Sessions: 20-25

Fall Classes Offered (Chad Grube): September 15 - December 1,
22 total offerings (2 per week)

Fall Basic Classes Offered: 8 (classes generally repeated morning and evening)

Fall Specialized Classes Offered: 6 (classes generally repeated)

Fall Advanced Classes Offered: 4 (each class was 2 sessions)

Average Number of Participants at AM Sessions: 3-4

Average Number of Participants at PM Session: 8-12

Numbers for participants are mixed – classes at both parishes were open to everyone. Class were offered equally (half at SJA and half at SP)

Adult Faith Formation: Donuts & Doctrine

Classes repeat at St. Joan of Arc & St. Patrick

Offered at St. Patrick 1st & 3rd Sundays of each month

Offered at St. Joan of Arc 2nd & 4th Sundays of each month

Classes began September 7th

Classes Offered at SJA (10:30-11:45): 7

Average Number of Participants at SJA: 10-12

Classes Offered at SP (9:30-10:30): 8

Average Number of Participants at SP: 12-15

Themes: Sola Scriptura, Sensus Ecclesiae, Humanae Vitae, Catholic Voting, Defending the Church's Teaching on Purgatory & the Saints, Q & A, Living Advent, Church Current Events

Adult Faith Formation: Catechists

Morning of Reflection for Catechists

First offered for both parishes on Saturday, October 18th, from 8:00 a.m. to noon at St. Patrick. Approximately 10 people participated.

Catechetical Sunday (Sept 21)

Participation/Signing Oath of Fidelity (numbers reflect SJA only)

Sts. Joan of Arc & Patrick Teachers: 26

High School Religious Education catechists: 12

K - 8 Religious Education catechists: 9

RCIA Leadership: 9

Total Current SJA Catechists Registered in Diocesan Database: 66

This registration took place several months after the oath of fidelity and therefore does not indicate a lack of participation in signing the oath.

Catechist Certification

The number in parentheses is the subset for the school. For example, there are currently 48 total catechists who are working on the first level of certification; of those 48, 18 are part of the school (both campuses). Ten of the 29 individuals who work for the school are parishioners of St. Patrick.

Working on the first level of certification:	48 (18)
Have basic certification, working on specialized:	8 (1)
Have specialized certification, working on advanced:	9 (5)
Have advanced certification, working on master:	8 (3)
Have master certification, taking ongoing education classes:	2 (2)
TOTAL:	75 (29)

These numbers only reflect the level of certification for those currently in the diocesan database as catechists. Other parishioners have earned various levels of certification, but we only track those who are currently catechists.

Family Initiative

Classes: January 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, February 20, March 5 & 12

Kids 4 Jesus	37 children
Middle School	10 children
Faith Conversations with Fr. Hasser	18 young adults
Splendor of Love	25 couples
Achieving Peace of Heart	16 adults
Prayer and Spiritual Theology	50 individuals

Classes: September 17, 24, October 1, 8, 15, 29, November 5 & 12

Kids 4 Jesus	23 children
Middle School	5 children
Faith Conversations with Fr. Hasser	20 young adults
Seven Levels of Intimacy	16 couples
Bioethics	19 adults

Men's Faith Formation (Men's Groups)

Dad's Workshop Date: October 17 & 18
Workshop Participants: Approximately 20 (mix of SJA & SP)
Follow-up with Men's Groups Started: October 20, 2008
Group Leaders: Bret Daily, Lonnie Hazel, Tony Bitner, Ryan Pownall, Robert Creppy, Cary Mawbey, Greg Schultz, Jeff Marrah, Dave Bangs, Steve White
Group Times: Mondays at 7:00 PM (9 participants)
Tuesdays at 12:00 PM (5 participants)
Wednesdays at 6:00 AM (6 participants)
Fridays at 6:00 AM (5 participants)
Saturdays at 7:00 AM (6 participants)
Total Participants: 31 (plus 4 priests)

Marriage Preparation

Sponsor Couples

In 2008, three of the 18 trained sponsor couples were assigned to work with engaged couples by the priest responsible for the preparation of those couples for marriage.

Pre-Cana

The Pre-Cana ministry serves couples preparing for marriage in the diocese as well as those in the parish. Randy and Tami Maurer oversee this ministry. In 2008, two Pre-Cana weekends were held:

February 2 (15 couples), September 6 (14 couples)

Natural Family Planning

Available at the diocesan level

Baptism Preparation

Five classes were held in 2008

R.C.I.A.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults - R.C.I.A. is held on Thursday evenings. Additional catechesis (Breaking Open the Word) is offered following dismissal from Mass after the homily.

R.C.I.A. generally follows a school calendar.

2008 - 2009 Total Inquiries: 7

Probable Candidates: 5 adults, all to be received into the Church at the Easter Vigil

Probable Catechumens: 1 eighth grader, 3 adults

2007-2008 Total Inquiries: 3

Candidates received into the Church: 10

Catechumens initiated into the Church: 2 children, 3 adults

RCIA Team: Ten members, team meets once every 5 weeks

Articles in *Voices* published August to December

Morning RCIA: Offered jointly between St. Joan of Arc and St. Patrick parishes to anyone in Kokomo unable to attend evening sessions. All classes have been recorded for use in the future.

Participants: 4 (all from St. Patrick)

Women's Christ Renews His Parish

Meetings: Sunday afternoons for current formation team
Members: 10 participants at the 2008 fall weekend retreat
Activities: Formation of the current team, preparation to present the next weekend, currently scheduled for June 27-28
Contact: Patty Shutt, pjshutt@comcast.net

Legion of Mary

Active members: 9
Auxiliary members: approximately 30
President: Mark Jennings, 452-2343, mj72@sbcglobal.net
Spiritual Director and Counsel: Father David Hasser
Meetings: Mondays at 6:00 p.m.
Primary activities: Encourage prayer, especially the Rosary; take Holy Communion to the homebound and those in assisted living and nursing homes

Focolare

Meetings: First Sunday of each month at Leonard and Debi Miller's home.
Members: 10 active members
Activities: Main focus is to learn and live the Gospel and promote building unity through living the Gospel.
Contact: Debi & Leonard Miller, lendebmiller@aol.com

Secular Franciscan Order

Meetings: Third Friday of each month
Members: 18 active professed members, primarily from St. Joan of Arc and St. Patrick parishes
Activities: Support of the Poor Clares, celebration of the Stigmata (Sept. 17) and Transitus (Oct. 3) of St. Francis, blessing of animals, handling of St. Joan of Arc's recycling program
Contact: Linda Grady, 453-7419 or lgradysfo@gradybunch.org

Adult Faith Formation: Radio Show

People Interviewed: Father Ted, Father Dudzinski, Father Hasser, Chris Dixon
Started New Broadcast: October 19, 2008
New Programs Created: 12 (includes part 2 of Incarnation that aired January 4, 2009)
Radio Station: 99.7 (Shine 99)
Time of Broadcast: Sundays from 9:30 AM to 10:00 AM
Themes of Programs (available on CD upon request): Catholic Voting (2 parts), The Church Militant/Suffering/Triumphant, Primacy & Authority of Peter, Perseverance (2 Timothy 4), Meaning of Kingship in the Life of an American, Ways to Spiritually Prepare for Christmas, Mary & John - Our Advent Guides, The Twofold Coming of Christ, The Incarnation (2 parts), The Family - Ecclesiola

Adult Faith Formation: Voter Formation

Numbers Reflect Both Parishes

1800 "Voter's Guide for Serious Catholics" pamphlets passed out
Multiple homilies (July through November)
Election Novena prayed at parish and given to all parishioners
Links to all local, state and national candidates listed on webpage
1800 Presidential Catholic Issues inserts passed out
Two Limerick and Voices articles
Four related Donuts & Doctrine classes (two at SP and two at SJA)
Voter registration drive
6-8 Bulletin messages at each parish

Youth and Young Adult Council

High School Religious Education (2008-09)

9 th Grade	35 enrolled
10 th Grade	46 enrolled
11-12 th Grade	21 enrolled

Catechists: 5 confirmation preparation, 2 Junior/Senior class

Volunteers: 7 or more additional youth ministers and adults help with attendance, hall monitoring, Yak-n-Snak and Sunday Social

Yak-n-Snak (feeding the body prior to feeding the soul): weekly meals are provided by parents and served to about 90 youth, catechists and volunteers before class

Sunday Social: Over 25 students stay after class and go to the Catacombs for snacks, to play in the game room or to hang out
30 - 40 teens attended the High School Summer Program which met weekly and included a meal, class and social time. Instructors included our priests, seminarians, catechists and returning college students.

Confirmation

- * 43 freshmen and sophomores attended the Confirmation I Day of Reflection on December 14
- * 38 students attended the Confirmation II Retreat at Mother of Our Redeemer Farm in Bloomington on November 15-16
- * Turned in a total of 2,380.25 service hours (9th and 10th grade)
- * 30 students were confirmed on April 21 by Bishop Higi; families and guests enjoyed a reception afterwards
- * A record 13 sophomores attended the Confirmation II 40 Hours Adoration Challenge (Adoration from 5-6 a.m. followed by breakfast at a local restaurant courtesy of the catechists)

Youth Leadership

- 13 high school teens served on the Youth Council; two of these also served on Worship Council and Pastoral Council. Youth Council members are chosen by application and discernment and serve for at least one year. They met every other week and their responsibilities included planning Wednesday evening IMPACT meetings and The Call retreat. Members also attended the annual Youth Council retreat and spent time working on their own spirituality and leadership skills.
- Upperclassmen helped with the Confirmation I Day of Reflection
- One youth presented the Teen Witness for Women's CRHP

Knights of the Holy Maiden

13 young men (High School age) regularly serve the Mass and special liturgical events; 2 are trained for the Tridentine Mass

- * Attended both Summer and Fall Retreats with the Knights of the Holy Temple (the regional association)
- * Hosted a chicken and fish fry fundraiser July 11
- * Spent two weekends helping a parishioner with yard work
- * Helped with Thanksgiving baskets at St. Vincent de Paul
- * Fellowship activities included laser tag, paintball and bowling

IMPACT High School Youth Ministry

- * High School youth planned and led weekly activities on Wednesday evenings during the entire year. Normal participation is 20 - 30 youth and 2 - 4 adult chaperones
- * About 12 teens participated in "Going Deeper", a group for high school students interested in plunging into a deeper relationship with God through small group sharing and reading the writings of saints and theologians. The group, which is led by youth ministers and meets twice per month, was restarted in 2008
- * An average of 20 teens attended the Dead Theologian Society, a group that was started in 2008 and meets twice a month. The life of a saint is presented in the crypt, followed by discussion and prayer. "Through saints of yesterday DTS inspires youth of today to become saints of tomorrow."

"The Call" High School Retreat

- * The fifth annual retreat was held March 29-30. "The Call" is open to the entire diocese and beyond.
- * The theme was "Break the Mold: Be Holy!"
- * Deacon Ralph Poyo was the main speaker
- * 109 high school teens and 17 chaperones from 10 parishes (including one from Ohio) registered for the retreat
- * The retreat included daily Mass, Reconciliation, Adoration, live music, games and icebreakers, skits, a guy/girl breakout, small groups and a number of talks
- * More than 35 adults and 10 college students participated in the weekend as chaperones, kitchen help, security, etc. Many more helped with planning, set-up, tear-down and prayer support

Other Retreats

- 40 teens and 15 chaperones attended the annual Destination Jesus High School Retreat at Guerin Catholic in Noblesville. DJ is hosted by Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish
- About 25 teens attended the annual J-Fest Retreat August 22-24
- Five volunteer youth ministers participated in a 2-day Youth Minister Retreat in Steubenville, Ohio, in January
- 9 youth, 6 adults and 1 seminarian went to a Youth Conference at Franciscan University in Steubenville, Ohio, July 11-13

Other Events, Activities and Service

- * 40 youth and 15 adults enjoyed the New Year's Eve Safe Alternative Dinner and Dance
- * 21 teens and 6 adults participated in the March for Life pilgrimage to Washington, D.C. in January
- * In February, 40 youth and chaperones went on the annual Blizzard Blast, a trip to a Michigan ski lodge for skiing, snow boarding and tubing
- * 20 high school seniors and their families participated in the Baccalaureate Mass and reception on Monday, May 12
- * 15 youth and 5 adults attended the Pro-Life Music Festival, held June 19-20 in Warsaw, Indiana
- * A charter bus of high school teens (25) and chaperones traveled to King's Island Theme Park for a day of fun in July

- * Youth helped with both set-up and clean-up, and worked during the sale days at the parish Rummage Sale in August. Proceeds are split between Haiti Ministry and Youth Ministry
- * Youth participated in parish and community events including the Holy Family Conference, Parish Picnic, Life Chain, Parish Festival and Christmas/Easter church decorating
- * One youth volunteered with the Parish "Sweat Equity" Team
- * Two youth and two adults wrote articles and submitted photos to Voices
- * Three youth assisted in organizing and volunteering at the Miles for Christmas Smiles motorcycle ride, which benefited our parish Giving Tree at Christmas

Young Adults Ministry and Activities

- * Summer Book Study with Seminarians
- * Information Get-togethers at Jackson Morrow Park or Starbucks

Frassati Society

Young adults (ages 19 - 35) from St. Joan of Arc participated in a variety of events including:

- * Local Wednesday meetings at Mike's Pizza with St. Patrick
- * Monthly events featuring a speaker and dinner in Carmel
- * Deanery and Diocesan sponsored seminars
- * Faith to Chew On at Martino's restaurant with St. Patrick
- * Frassati Society Annual Conference in Lafayette in July

Junior High Youth Ministry

- * 20-30 sixth through eighth graders participated in Youth Group, held two Sunday evenings a month all year
- * Ten youth and their parents went on the Blizzard Blast
- * Ten youth and their parents joined the King's Island youth trip
- * Junior High youth participated in several events with St. Patrick including Theotokos (6 girls), St. Meinrad/Holiday World Overnight (3 youth) and the Christ the King Retreat (7 youth)
- * Nine adults and two young adults serve as the Junior High CORE Team

Catholic Scouting

Parishioner Eagle Scout Project

Aaron Latus installed benches along the walking path.

Girl Scouts

October 2007 through September 2008

- Active Girl Scouts: 32
- Adult Leaders: 5
- Adult Volunteers: 9 registered
- Ranks: 23 Brownies, 5 Juniors, 2 Cadettes, 1 Senior, 1 Ambassador
- Awards Earned: 1 Silver, 5 Bronze, 14 "I Live My Faith" emblems, 7 "Growing With Mary" emblems
- Service Projects benefited: St. Joan of Arc Church, Giving Tree, Elizabeth Ministry, Meals on Wheels, Birthright, Jefferson Manor and the Kokomo Humane Society
- Other Troop activities included: Religious Emblem Retreat, camping, various field trips

Cub Scouts - Pack 3508

September 2007 through September 2008

- Active Scouts: 41
- Adult Leaders: 5
- Adult Volunteers: 3 new registered Den Leaders
numerous parent volunteers
- Rank Advancement: 7 new Tiger Cubs, 7 to Wolf, 12 to Bear, 6 to Webelos I, 9 to Webelos II
- Bridged to Boy Scouts: 6 Webelos II (February, 2008)
- Arrow of Light: 6 Webelos II
- Religious Emblems Earned: 5 Light of Christ (Cub Scouts)
6 Parvuli Dei (Webelos I)
- International Catholic Awareness Emblem: 22 Cub Scouts
- Rosary Patches: 10 Cub Scouts
- Service Projects: St. Joan of Arc Parish Festival, Heartwalk
- Pack Activities: Webelos Resident Camp, Fishing Derby, Cub Fun Day, Scout Sunday, Blue & Gold Banquet, Pinewood Derby
- Campouts: 2 (in-coming Webelos- Mississinewa, Tigers- backyard)
- Day Camp: 17 Cub Scouts participated
- Resident (overnight) Summer Camp: 7 Webelos participated

Boy Scouts - Troop 508

- Active Scouts: Between 31 to 39 throughout the year
 - Adult Volunteers: 12 to 13 routinely involved
numerous others assist as needed
 - Webelos Bridging: 6 (February, 2008)
 - Merit Badges Earned: 172
 - Rank Advancements: 4 to Scout rank, 1 to Tenderfoot, 1 to Second Class, 6 to Star, 4 to Life
 - New Eagle Scouts: 1 (Billy White)
 - Eagle Palms: 2 Bronze (Anthony Rentz and RJ Wilson)
1 Gold (RJ Wilson)
 - Order of the Arrow: 6 Scouts inducted into Scouting's National Honor Society
 - Religious Medals: 7 Ad Altare Dei
- Recipients were Eliot Banaszak, Louis Banaszak, Ian Blessinger, Ryan Brinkworth, Billy Jones, Jeremy Kincaid and Thomas Rohaly.*
- Adult Religious Awards: 2 Father James McKeown
- Recipients were Jerry Brinkworth and Diane Kincaid*
- Service Projects: 6

Projects included grounds clean-up at the Sisters of St. Joseph in Tipton, landscaping work on the St. Joan of Arc outdoor stations, support for St. Joan of Arc and St. Patrick parish festivals, fall leaf clean-up at St. Joan of Arc

- Community Events: Heart Walk, local Triathlon
- Campouts: 14
- Campouts included Wright Patterson Air Force Base Museum in Ohio, United States Military Academy in West Point, New York, two week-long summer camps, leafhut and wild caving in Buckner's cave in southern Indiana*
- Campout Participation: typically 10 to 12 Scouts
- Summer Camp Participation: 20 Scouts
- Retreats: 0

No troop retreats were available in 2008; many Scouts routinely participate in other events such as The Call and Destination Jesus. Troop activities are planned to insure fidelity to Sunday Mass as well as to allow maximum participation in parish-sponsored events.

Sts. Joan of Arc & Patrick School

2007 - 2008 School Year Highlights



Sts. Joan of Arc & Patrick School is a fully accredited school serving students from preschool through 8th grade. Catholic education at STSJP includes outstanding academics, Mass on Mondays and Fridays, religious education, our Virtues program, sacramental opportunities and the integration of our faith in daily life. Sts. Joan of Arc & Patrick School is a joint ministry of St. Joan of Arc and St. Patrick parishes.

- * Established the John Paul II Chapter of the National Junior Honor Society and initiated the first 12 members
- * Participated in academic competitions including a Spelling Bee, Geography Bee and Academic Super Bowl (out team placed second in the regional competition)
- * Celebrated Catholic Schools Week in January
- * Hosted a Spaghetti Dinner and Lenten Fish Fry
- * Held a Gas Card Raffle and a Tuition Raffle
- * Presented a Middle School Lenten Retreat
- * Performed Fall and Spring music programs
- * Recorded 4,733.75 volunteer hours from school families; parishioners also helped in a variety of capacities (tutors, school governance, etc.)
- * The eighth grade class took a trip to St. Louis in April, which included serving at the Mass at the St. Louis Basilica
- * Competed against local public and private schools in a variety of sports including:
 - 4th & 5th grade boys basketball
 - Middle school boys basketball
 - 5th grade girls volleyball
 - Middle school girls volleyball
 - 4th & 5th grade girls basketball
 - Middle school girls basketball
 - Co-ed middle school track
 - Co-ed 5th - 8th grade golf
- * Offered cheerleading for both 4th & 5th grade and Middle School

Fall 2007 ISTEP Scores

Grade	% Passing English /Language Arts	% Passing Math
3	81%	78%
4	81%	77%
5	89%	86%
6	77%	88%
7	96%	96%
8	96%	95%

2007-2008 Enrollment

Preschool	23	Fourth Grade	31
Pre-kindergarten	26	Fifth Grade	28
Kindergarten	41	Sixth Grade	23
First Grade	32	Seventh Grade	24
Second Grade	24	Eighth Grade	22
Third Grade	28		

Total Students: 302
 Full-time teachers: 15
 Part-time teachers: 7
 Teacher aides: 2



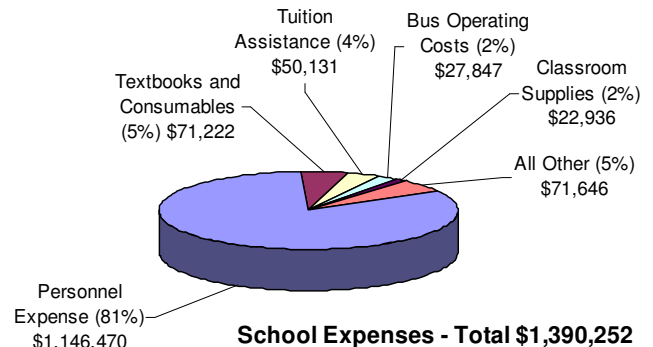
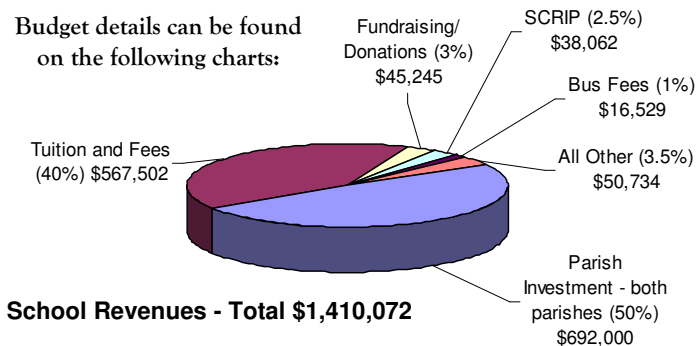
School Finances

Highlights of the school finances for 2007-2008 include:

- * Tuition cost for one child (Parishioner): \$ 2,250
- * Amount of tuition assistance provided: \$50,131
- * Implementation of ACH (monthly checking account deductions) has virtually eliminated uncollectible accounts
- * The purchase of Reading textbooks in 2007-08 eliminated the 50% cost penalty associated renting textbooks; this program is continuing with other subjects as rental contracts expire

- * Success of SCRIP sales has enabled the school to realize an additional revenue source while giving families the opportunity for assistance with tuition costs through a profit sharing program. Families and others purchase SCRIP gift cards at face value, spending no additional money. The school retains a percentage of the sales as profit. For 2007-2008, the SCRIP profit was \$38,061.52 on sales of \$738,347.53. Kroger "reloads" accounted for nearly 40% of both sales and profit.

Budget details can be found on the following charts:



Social Council

Sunshine Club

- * Met every Thursday from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- * The Executive Committee met monthly.
- * Held Thanksgiving and Christmas Dinners
- * Contacts: Temporary Chairman Marvin Nickolson (459-3404) and New Chairman Don Voiles (452-9686)

Parish Picnic

Over 200 people attended our annual picnic on Sunday, August 10. The weather was perfect for the children's water slide and games, dunk tank, cookout and concert featuring adults and youth of the parish.

2008 Chair: Amy Pitzer

Parish Festival

The 2008 parish festival was held the weekend of November 14-15. It started with a Friday fish fry by Dan's. Saturday's activities included children's games, a display of parishioners' crafts, an array of internationally themed food, a silent auction and raffle drawing.

Along with the opportunity for fun and fellowship, the parish realized a profit of \$20,771.16 on income of \$26,832.09. A chicken and noodle dinner with talent exposition in September, Easter candy sales and Mom's Ministry contributed a total of \$4,120.53 to the profit.

2008 Chairs: Fred and Jane Tragesser

Senior Citizens

- * Met one Sunday a month from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. except during the summer (June, July, and August).
- * Meetings provided an opportunity for fellowship. Meeting activities included Bingo, White Elephant and cards.
- * Contact: Jane Anderson 459-5547

Welcoming Committee

The Social Council worked to restart the Welcoming Committee under the leadership of Kismet Morrison. He will form a group in early 2009 to provide this ministry to new parishioners.

Contact: Kismet Morrison 203-8391

Planning Council

The Planning Council was involved in two major activities for 2008: childcare for Sts. Joan of Arc & Patrick school children and Listening Sessions.

On January 14, 2008, Planning Council presented before and after school care recommendations to the school principals.

In the spring, 65 parishioners participated in several Listening Sessions that were scheduled for the parish. Many likes and improvement ideas were identified. The following were the Top Five improvement areas noted along with a brief status of each.

Communications

- * Many enhancements were made or are in process for our website
- * Bulletins are available on-line through our website
- * E-mail addresses were set up and published for Council Leadership
- * A parish financial update was presented during weekend Masses
- * The new Pastoral Council and ministry organization was introduced and published with contact information
- * Planning Council contributed to this year-end report

Stewardship / Financial Burden

(assigned to the Finance Council)

- * Clearly communicated our financial status to the parish
- * Organized the "dovetail" campaign for Fruitful Harvest
- * Compiled the year-end financial statement included in this report
- * Working on Stewardship education

Publication of our Ministries and Opportunities

- * A "Newcomers Guide" providing a brief explanation of each council/ministry along with contact information is in process, to be published in 2009
- * Articles on our councils and ministries will be published on a regular basis in the Voices newsletter

Religious Education

- * Many new adult religious education opportunities were provided in 2008 under the direction of Chad Grube (Coordinator of Faith Formation), as shown under the Christian Formation section of this report
- * Currently working on ways to improve the effectiveness of children's religious education

Evangelization

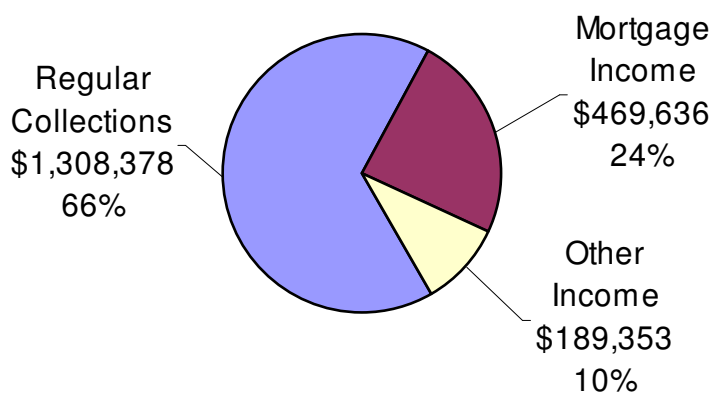
- * Planning Council formed an Evangelization sub-committee that will lead to an Evangelization Council in early 2009
- * The Evangelization sub-committee generated a Case for Action that summarized the needs and provided supporting data



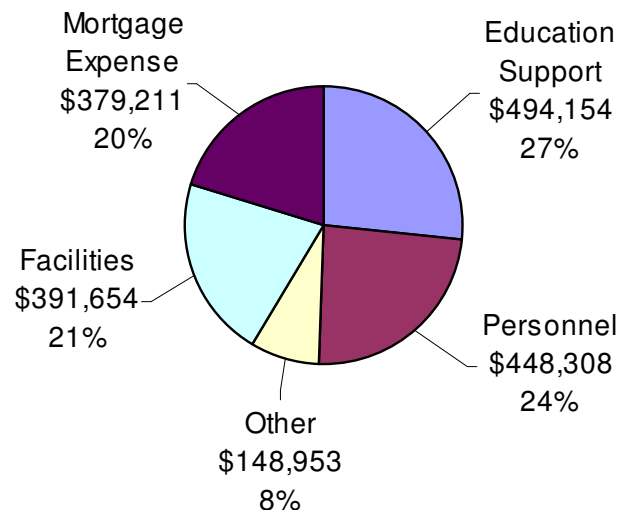
5 - Year Performance Overview

	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Operating Income					
Regular Collections	\$1,195,267	\$1,246,551	\$1,346,026	\$1,365,679	\$1,308,378
Holy Days	\$ 33,387	\$ 29,199	\$ 44,798	\$ 40,160	\$ 37,086
Other Income (Including Designated Gifts/Sponsorships)	<u>\$ 100,847</u>	<u>\$ 100,623</u>	<u>\$ 107,880</u>	<u>\$ 106,704</u>	<u>\$ 152,267</u>
Total Operating Income	\$1,329,501	\$1,376,373	\$1,498,704	\$1,512,543	\$1,497,731
Operating Costs					
Personnel (Salaries and Benefits)	\$ 627,726	\$ 673,809	\$ 578,458	\$ 466,421	\$ 448,308
Facilities (Utilities, Insurance, Maintenance, Supplies)	\$ 278,330	\$ 238,795	\$ 227,522	\$ 232,835	\$ 250,699
Educational Support (Sts Joan of Arc & Patrick School, Adult Formation)	\$ 487,866	\$ 491,020	\$ 483,745	\$ 483,707	\$ 494,154
General Expenses (Ministries, Activities, Holy Family Conference)	<u>\$ 161,649</u>	<u>\$ 150,319</u>	<u>\$ 129,894</u>	<u>\$ 94,081</u>	<u>\$ 148,953</u>
Total Operating Costs	\$1,555,571	\$1,553,943	\$1,419,619	\$1,277,044	\$1,342,114
Total Operating Difference	(\$226,070)	(\$177,570)	\$ 79,085	\$235,499	\$155,617
Mortgage Activity					
Mortgage Income (Fruitful Harvest/Building Fund/Sale of Property)	\$1,209,721	\$1,867,534	\$265,974	\$434,090	\$469,636
Mortgage Expense (Principle & Interest = \$379,211 Per Year)	\$ 834,810	\$1,611,310	\$380,838	\$379,211	\$379,211
Extraordinary Building. Repair	none	none	none	\$ 61,380	\$140,955
Mortgage Difference	\$374,911	\$256,224	(\$114,864)	(\$6,501)	(\$50,530)
Year End Totals	\$148,841	\$78,654	(\$35,779)	\$228,998	\$105,087

2008 Total Receipts: \$2.0 Million

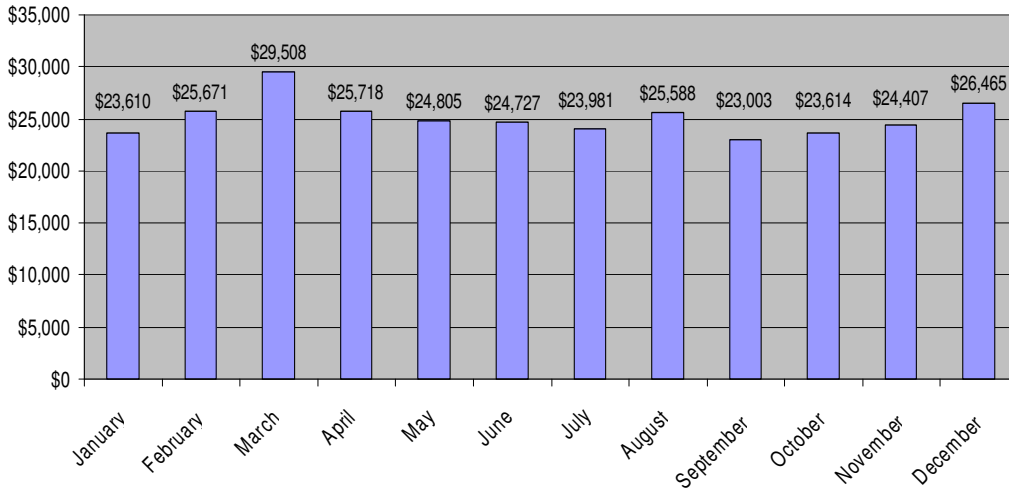


2008 Total Outlays: \$1.9 Million



Note: "Other Income" includes Holy Day collections. The Facilities total includes both the operating costs and extraordinary building repair.

2008 Average Weekly Giving by Month



Numbers shown are the average weekly collection by month. March, June, August and November each had five Sundays; the remaining months had four Sundays. Easter Sunday was March 23. The average weekly collection for the entire year was \$25,166.

2008 Second Collections

Collections Required by the Diocese

Retirement for Religious	\$7,730.61
Propagation of the Faith	\$2,465.00
Catholic Moment	\$8,976.00
The Church in Central & Eastern Europe	\$3,608.69
Overseas Catholic Relief Services	\$4,634.00
Seminary appeal	\$1,507.00
The Church in Africa	\$3,218.17
Mission Sunday	\$3,423.65
Campaign for Human Development and Gift of Water	\$2,307.95

Collections for Parish and Local Needs

Easter Flower Memorials	\$1,047.00
Ministry of Care Bus	\$4,075.29
Haiti	\$3,487.00
Right to Life and Birthright	\$3,577.22
Monastery of the Poor Clares	\$6,283.64
Habitat for Humanity and Food for the Poor	\$4,906.36
Altar Needs	\$2,139.00
Sts. Joan of Arc & Patrick School Tuition Assistance	\$5,402.23
St. Vincent de Paul Store	\$2,895.00
Ladies of Charity (funeral dinners) and March for Life Youth	\$5,468.28
Christmas Flower Memorials	\$1,432.00

Fruitful Harvest

2006 Campaign

Started in the fall of 2006 ended in 2008

Goal:	\$2,800,000.00
Pledged:	\$1,058,565.74 (38% of goal)
Paid:	\$ 916,860.82 (87% of pledge, 33% of goal)

2008 Campaign (as of December 31, 2008)

Started in the fall of 2008, ends in 2010

Goal:	\$1,503,099.00
Pledged:	\$ 751,131.20 (50% of goal)
Paid	\$ 148,121.44 (20% of pledge, 10% of goal)

Debt Reduction (sometimes called Vision to Reality)

Donations directly to the mortgage from individuals, as memorials, etc.

Income for 2008: \$88,298.24

Mortgage

Outstanding Debt December 31, 2007:	\$2,645,707
Outstanding Debt December 31, 2008:	\$2,389,134

Mortgage Payments for 2008

Principle:	\$256,573
Interest:	\$122,638
Total Mortgage Expense in 2008:	\$379,211

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*God our Father, You alone are holy;
without You nothing is good.*

*Trusting in the prayers
of St. Joan of Arc,*

*we ask You to help us to become
the holy people You call us to be.
Never let us be found undeserving
of the glory You have prepared for us.
We ask this through our Lord Jesus
Christ, Your Son, who lives and
reigns with You and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. Amen.*

Common of Holy Men and Women, opening prayer

**He who serves me, follows me,
says the Lord, and where I am,
my servant will also be. John 12:26**

In Closing . . .

Please accept the efforts of the council and many others to publish this report and our sincere apology if anything was unintentionally left out. Most importantly, though, we ask you to consider and pray about what St. Joan of Arc parish can be through you and for you. The success of our ministries is merely the reflection of the love we bear for one another in Christ and it is our prayer and the goal of our work that each person receive and radiate that love in our homes, parish and community.



St. Joan of Arc Staff: Shelly Reida, Father Andrew Dudzinski, Kevin Sanders (hired in 2009), Brian Campbell, Doris Thomas, Father Thom Obiatuegwu, Suzanne Kearney, Diana Voiles, Pam Kuczera, Jan Marrah, Chad Grube, Deacon Ron Morrow, Father Ted Dudzinski, Nick Kanable (Sts. Joan of Arc & Patrick School co-principal), Father David Hasser
Not pictured: Tony Bitner, Janet Peterson, Pam Yohn

Staff

Total paid staff: 11
Full-time office: 3
Full-time maintenance: 3
Part time office: 3
Shared with St. Patrick: 2

Seminarians

We have two seminarians from St. Joan of Arc currently preparing for the priesthood. Matt Arbuckle attends Mount St. Mary Seminary in Maryland, while David Huemmer is in Massachusetts studying at Blessed John XXIII National Seminary. Both returned to the parish throughout the year when on break from their studies.

Dominic Petan, Our Lady of Mount Carmel parishioner and seminarian at St. Meinrad Archabbey in southern Indiana, worked at the parish during the summer, assisting at daily and weekend Masses, teaching and participating in various ministries and activities. Seminarians Kevin Hurley (Pontifical College Josephinum in Ohio) and Joshua Bennett (Mount St. Mary) also had summer assignments in Kokomo and spent some time at St. Joan of Arc.

Volunteers

Numerous parishioners volunteered their time in the office and with other needs around the parish. In 2008, these areas included:

Office Assistance: 5	Landscaping (planting, weeding, watering): 23
Collection counters: 17	Grounds maintenance (mowing, fertilizing, sprinkler system): 6
Snow removal: 5	"Sweat Equity" (miscellaneous projects and repairs): 4

Parish Missions

We had three parish missions during 2008: a four-day Lenten Mission with Fr. Michel Corriveau in February, a two-evening mission with Frank Runyeon in November and a weekend mission in December with Fr. Peter West from Priests for Life.

Parish Directory

A combined parish directory with St. Patrick was distributed in early December. This was the first time that the directory has been published in conjunction with St. Patrick. It reflects the Catholic community of Kokomo by parish. Over 600 families from St. Joan of Arc had their pictures taken.

Parish Newsletter

Voices, an 8-page booklet consisting of articles reflecting activities, achievements and upcoming parish events, was published monthly (except January and July). Karen Sward and Diane Poisson collected and edited articles written by staff and parishioners and designed the publication.

Yours in the Peace and Love of Christ,
The St. Joan of Arc Pastoral Council