

Minutes
Stewardship/Development Commission
December 5, 2006

Carol Balabanow	X
Fred Bircher	X
Jose Cruz	X
John Culhane	X
Bob Hoffman	resigned
Tom Norton	X
John Pieranunzi	X
Toni Sinnott	X
John Stelmach	X
Patty Tester	X
Barb Tillman	X
Dan Tobin	X
Grace Turi-Shaw	X

Annual Report: The Commission reviewed the draft of the Annual Report and agreed that emphasis should be placed on Operation Hope (collection of household goods, teams who went down to rebuild homes damaged by Hurricane Katrina), the building of the garage, the Thanksgiving Drive, Adopt-A-Family, Pads, Crop Walk, Vegetable Garden, Trifesta, and the quilts that were made. There should be a statement that these are just a few of the highlights and that there many more.

Editorial changes include:

- Page 2:
 - ❖ Revise the figure \$1,657,570 to \$596,815 in the second column.
- Page 3:
 - ❖ Title the page with the graphs as “Analysis from Stewardship Commission.”
 - ❖ Change the phrase “the largest parish” to “the second largest parish” in the statement “Currently, St. Isidore is the largest parish in the Joliet Diocese.”
 - ❖ In the second chart, indicate that St. Isidore’s average annual collections increased at a 5.4 annual rate.
 - ❖ In the last paragraph, change “volunteers” to “efforts” or “leadership” in the statement “Fortunately, stewardship volunteers have helped to offset the financial attrition.”

The Commission members should make every effort to attend the next Joint Commission meeting that will be held January 9, 2007.

Adopt A Family – Commission Participation: Tom Norton was able to pick a family of four for the Stewardship Commission to adopt and everyone present agreed that a \$20.00 contribution from everyone would be an appropriate amount. Carol will be responsible for contacting the family and purchasing the gift certificates they would prefer.

Bishops' Pastoral: Stewardship: A Disciple's Response: Let Tom know if you need a copy. The February meeting will be dedicated to a Stewardship Reflection and we will view the video at that time.

Strategic Planning: The Commission clarified the Tactics/Milestones and assigned recommended owners and Interdependencies for the following objective:

Objective: Enhance responsive communication within and outside parish
(See revised chart.)

Next Meeting Date: February 6, 2006. The Commission will review and assign Recommended Owners, etc. to the objective to increase parishioner involvement in ministries to reach 40% by 2008, 50% by 2010.