

PARISH COUNCIL 2010-2011 REPORT FOR ANNUAL MEETING

- 1) Worked with Father and staff on the new software
- 2) Put a timetable together for the demolition of the old school at St. Mary's site
- 3) Worked through a change in our Business Manager Position. Welcome to Tim Woodworth.
- 4) Major discussion on the Fundraising for SKD. The people who have been in charge of the Spring Fever Frenzy and the Summer Picnic decided that they would retire. They had all been involved for a long time and just decided it was time for some new people to take over. Our choice here is to continue the Summer Picnic with new people or if no one steps forward, to make a change in fundraising. A committee has been formed and a survey has been put together to get the input from our people.
- 5) April came and so did the wrath of Mother Nature. I would like to thank everyone for their efforts in the cleanup, organization, attendance at meetings, and getting the work done when the tornado damaged the St. Mary's site. It was gratifying to see so many people pull together and do what they could to get things back to normal. And help also came from outside of our Parish Family. Tim will be giving a summary on the financial part of this later. Of course, this totally changed the timetable on the demolition of the old school talked about earlier.
- 6) Loaves and Fishes
- 7) A few things to ponder in regards to the operation of three sites.
 - a) Before we merged, we had the same set of buildings and they were taken care of. What is the difference now? The same

people supporting the same buildings, the same grounds, the same school, the same Parish, and the same Diocese.

- b) Unless we actually sell the buildings, we would still have to maintain them.
- c) KCSS still needs the space
- d) If we do close a site or two, the big question would be, “how many people will we upset and how many will leave SKD, and then what is the financial ramification of the loss of income from those people?” Would we gain anything?
- e) The bishop would really prefer not to close any sites unless there is absolutely no other choice financially or the vast majority of the Parishioners requests that the site be closed.

We have asked Tim to put together numbers for normal expenses and building repair on a per site basis just so we know for sure where we stand. The bottom line is if we support St. Katharine Drexel, there should be no need to have this discussion. There is the argument that we will not be one Parish until we have one site. This is true in a way but what will the cost of this be in both the financial area and the personal feelings of our Parishioners.