

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Discussion included:

- Financial Updates--The Annual Catholic Appeal went well with only \$5,000 more in pledges needed (we have since met the goal). The Santa Sophia 2010/2011 budget is ending on a positive note. Next fiscal year will be watched closely but is expected to end on a positive note as well. Santa Sophia is in good shape fiscally.
- Parish Events--The Volunteer Appreciation event that was held in April was well received. The Parish Events Committee is brainstorming fund-raising ideas for parish organizations, events to be held before/after week-end Masses with consideration to the new Mass schedule. We may have another International Food Faire night in the Fall.
- Social Ministries--The Safe Place Team is expanding. Most calls to the Team come from mothers who are concerned that a daughter is a victim of domestic violence. The Saint Vincent de Paul Society has been making physical plant repairs which are funded through donations. The food distribution program is self-sustaining through donations, grants, and freebies. Common Ground has helped schools provide education to parents to help them understand the school system and how to assist their children to succeed. This group also provided 9000 snacks at three schools during standardized testing sessions and gave away 1400 books to children. Santa Sophia will participate in the Interfaith Shelter program again with tentative dates being 2/25/12-3/10/12.
- Pastoral Council Minutes Executive Summary--Each executive summary will be available on the Santa Sophia website, Pastoral Council page for one year.
- Development Council-- The Preserving Our Legacy (POL) groundbreaking event which was held at the Catechetical Ministries building on June 18th was well received. It gave those who made pledges to see where the initial POL project would be conducted. We hope to begin putting our first newsletter together in the Fall. We are projecting two a year, perhaps increasing to three in the future.
- Pastor's Report--Fr. Peter distributed numbers representing attendance at each Mass since the schedule changed June 1st. With First Communion the first two week-ends and summer vacations, the numbers may be a little skewed, but attendance seems to be equaling out at the three Masses. The 2012 Lenten retreat will be guided by Father Dan Sweeny, a Jesuit teacher at the University of Scranton. Pledges to the POL campaign are now at \$1,050,00. Fr. Peter will meet his Air Force Reserve commitment at the Air Force Academy from June 22nd to August 1st. Priests who will fill in have been identified.