

Welcome to Saint Richard Parish

...If you are new to the area, please call Fr. Burgoon at 432-6224 ext. 223 to register in the parish. Please notify us if you are moving from the parish or if you have a change of address or phone number.

...If you have not been active in the practice of the Catholic faith, we encourage you to return. If you would like to speak with any of the parish staff members, please do not hesitate to contact us.

...If a previous marriage has kept you from receiving the Sacraments, we invite you to contact Fr. Burgoon. In many cases, we can work with you toward a favorable solution so that you can again receive the Sacraments in the Catholic Church.

...If you cannot come to Church because of illness, please be sure that we are notified so that we might minister to you either at home, hospital or nursing care facility.

MASSES

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Sundays 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Weekdays 6:30 a.m. & 8:15 a.m.

Holydays 6:30 a.m. 8:15 a.m. & 7:30 p.m.

PARISH LIFE

Pastor:	Rev. Charles Burgoon	Ext. 223
In Residence:	Rev. John Kennehan	Ext. 226
Deacon:	Deacon Ron Reuther	
Deacon:	Deacon John Bischof	
Deacon:	Deacon Jerry McGuire Retired	
Admin. Assistant:	Mrs. Renee Lauterwasser	Ext. 222
Business Manger:	Mrs. Christine Schuetz	Ext. 221
Parish Council:	Terry Slade	
Finance Committee:	Rob Binek	995-5307
Board of Education:	Keith Kriegshauser	872-3911
Athletics:	Kevin Landmann	569-3635
Ladies Club	Sandy Kardis	567-4908
	Sherry Martin	872-7497
Leisure Club	Judy Dunn	567-9632
Men's Club	Tim Flanagan	994-1328

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

St. Richard School 11221 Schuetz Road 63146

(314) 872-3152 Fax (314) 872-0931

E-mail: strichardschool@yahoo.com

Principal:	Miss. Julie Smith
Secretary:	Mrs. Judy Ade
Home & School	Mr. Eric Vehige
Maintenance Supervisor:	Mr. Ken Ungerman
Maintenance Assistant:	Mr. Tim Burgoon

LITURGY

ADULT CHOIR:	Mrs. Colleen Talbert	569-5865
	Meets Thursday at 7:30 p.m.	
CHILDREN'S CHOIR	Mrs. Mary Blum	872-7130
HIGH SCHOOL CHOIR	Mrs. Mary Blum	872-7130
EMMAUS CHOIR	Ruth Ferris	991-6854
	Meets Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.	
LECTORS	Gigi McKinzie	991-3942
EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	Rev. Mr. John Bischof	569-3855

BAPTISM

Registration as a parishioner required for all Baptisms. Parents must come to the baptism preparation instruction class for the first child. Call Fr. Burgoon at 432-6224, ext. 223. Baptisms are to be scheduled after 11:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:45 p.m.-4:30 p.m., or any time by appointment.

MARRIAGE

Couples planning marriage should contact Father Burgoon for proper procedures at least six months in advance.

HOMEBOUND COMMUNION

Contact Father Burgoon to arrange. He will come, or in some cases send an Extraordinary Minister.

INTERESTED IN BEING A CATHOLIC

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, or RCIA program prepares all who wish to join the Catholic Church. Please contact Father Burgoon, 432-6224, Ext. 223

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Submit all items no later than 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday for publication the following weekend.

For GCP Certificates: Access the order forms and vendor catalog on-line

<http://www.strichardstl.org/parishOrganizations/gcp.htm>



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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK:



A lonely place

Jesus often went off to a lonely place to pray.
Yet the same Jesus who prayed in the lonely places said,
'When you pray, go into your room,
And pray to your Father in secret.'
This means that the lonely place
Is not necessarily a place far away,
Or that by 'room' he means four walls
That separate us physically from others.
We should make it a place to which we can go
To find rest and spiritual recovery
When the world is too much with us.
Then we will discover that the inner room
Is not empty after all, but is occupied
By the God of love who dwells in us all.

THANK YOU: to our students, parents, faculty and staff who make our celebration of CATHOLIC SCHOOL WEEK so special.

WOMEN OF THE PARISH: are invited to participate in the ACTS RETREAT in conjunction with Women from St. Monica Parish. It will take place from March 8-11 at the Pallotine Renewal Center in Florissant

This parish –based retreat offers the opportunity to renew your spirituality, to strengthen your Faith and its application in your daily life to build lasting friendships. It is presented by parishioners with spiritual direction from the parish priests. You will have SPIRITUAL SISTERS.

THIS A WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY FOR LENT THAT YOU WILL ALWAYS TREASURE.

The retreat begins THURSDAY EVENING with check-in at 6:30 p.m. at St. Monica Church. Transportation will be provided to and from the retreat center. The retreat concludes at 11:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday with a reception in the church hall. Approximately 7-10 days prior to the retreat, you will receive a letter describing what to bring with you (clothing, reading materials, etc.) for the weekend.



WORLD DAY OF THE SICK: will be observed on Feb. 11th, the feast of Our Lady of Lourdes. We will celebrate the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick at a special Mass that will be celebrated at 11 a.m. on that day. Anyone under a Doctor's care is welcome to receive this wonderful sacrament of healing.



Remember to Pray for the Sick of our Parish Community

John Cannon (11yr.)
 Mike Concannon
 Mary Barge
 Marilyn Burgoon
 Stan Beiermann
 Geraldine Balducci
 Lynn Burrus Audery Burrus
 Lois Casaleggi
 Mary Deuvers
 Neville D'Rosario
 Bob Ens Colleen Ens
 Josephine Flanagan
 Jeanette Fitzsimmons
 John Foley
 Lester Folz Mary Regina Folz
 Patricia Filko
 Tim Gleich
 Susan Engelbrecht Goris
 Mary Ann Hackman
 Bunny Huelsman
 Casey Juza
 Meg Kupferer
 Bill & Laurel Mahon
 Neal McCormack Enid McCormack
 Kim McKenzie
 Heath McClung
 Donald Mertens
 Jane Morris
 Jack Nimock
 Sr. Mary Jeanette Noonan
 Jean O'Keefe
 Mark Pfothenauer
 Elizabeth Pittaluga Matthew Peters
 Brenda Peters Vernon Plattner
 Pete Ramey Eunice Reed
 Bridget Reigel Sharon Reigel
 Walter Ries
 Nancy Roberts
 Ann Rose
 Pat Sale
 Fran Scott
 John Schlempe
 John Slimp Sr.
 Shannon Slaughter
 Earl Smith
 Barb Trautman
 Pete Willenborg
 Ed & Rosemary Witte
 Dorothy Wood
 Alison Wuellner Lois Wieprecht



We pray for those serving our country in the
 Armed Forces. We hold them in our hearts
 and await their safe return.

MAJ Dennis Arroyo, COP Hererra, Afghanistan
 Father of Ryan, Collin, Aiden, & Kristen Arroyo
LCpl Aaron Colston, Afghanistan
 Nephew-in-law of Robert & Jean LaFollette
Capt Justin Eise, Manas Transit Ctr, Kyrgyzstan
 Grandson of Al & Betty Eise
Capt Kimberley Ferris, FOB Afghanistan
 Daughter of Tom & Ruth Ferris
LT John Andrew Floro, Joint Base Balad, Iraq
 Nephew of Marcella & Deacon Del Leonardo
CW3 Robert C Green, Fort Riley, KS
 Nephew of Mimi & David Minner
PFC Kyle Hamilton, Camp Stone, Herat, Afghanistan
 Nephew of Karla & Tom Kutz
Capt Christopher Higgins, Mountain Home AFB, ID
 Nephew of Robert & Paula Brose
CAPT Carl Kisely, Fort McCoy, WI
 Son-in-law of Oren & Donna Walton
1st Lt Danny Love, Camp Dwyer, Helmund, Afghanistan
 Friend of Kimberley Ferris
A1C Matthew Mansfield, Travis AFB, CA
 Son of John, step-son of Jane Mansfield
CDR Michael McAbee, Naval Amphibious Base, CA
 Brother-in-law of Peggy & Pat Terrio
SPC Heath McClung, Fort Gordon, GA
Recovering from injuries sustained in Afghanistan
 Fiancé of Alexandra Lillie
SPC Joe Meadows, Eglin AFB, FL
SGT Sam Meadows, Fort Knox, KY
 Sons of Doug & Karen Meadows
SGT Joshua Mertens, Iraq
 Grandson of Ray & Florence Mertens
PFC Stephen Mounce, Camp Red Cloud, S Korea
 Nephew of Meg & Rich Kupferer
Sgt Jonathan A Murr, Fort Leonard Wood, MO
 Brother of Gabe & Amy Murr
2nd Lt Sarah Nickens, Egland AFB, FL
 Granddaughter of Marie Everhardt
SPC Joseph Schaffer, FOB northern Afghanistan
 Grandson-in-law of Tom & Fran Waelterman
Lt Col Mark Scherrer, Al Udeid AFB, Qatar
 Son of Marilyn Scherrer
LT Stephen Szachta, Navy Graduate School, CA
 Grandson of Frank & Nedra Szachta
PFC Karl Watkins, Ft. Benning, GA
 Nephew of Robert & Paula Brose
A1C Tyler White, Shaw AFB, SC
 Nephew of Mark & Lynn Pfothenauer
CPL Matthew Witte, Fort Sill, OK
 Grandson of Ed & Rosemary Witte

If you would like to have a family member, relative, or friend currently serving in the military included in the prayers of our parish, or if you have information to add, please call Ruth Ferris at 991-6854.



February 6, 2012
February 12, 2012
Mass Intentions

Monday February 6, 2012

6:30 am Cecile Theriault†
 8:15 am Audrain Family†

Tuesday February 7, 2012

6:30 am Kathleen Reedert†
 8:15 am Kerry DeGregorio

Wednesday February 8, 2012

6:30 am Granata & Vigma Families†
 8:15 pm Barge Family†

Thursday February 9, 2012

6:30 am Rick Miller†
 8:15 am Edwin W. Witte Sr.†

Friday February 10, 2012

6:30 am John Gumersell†
 8:15 am Peter Furo & Family†

Saturday February 11, 2012

5:00 pm Haertel Family

Sunday February 12, 2012

7:30 am Tom Sheridan†
 9:00 am Priest Intention
 11:00 am People of the Parish

†Indicates the Mass is being said in memory of an individual

Rosewood Extraordinary Minister of Communion

February 5—Gigi McKinzie
 February 7—Rev. Charles Burgoon
 Rosary 12:30—Tom & Shirley Van Acker

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, February 4, 2012—5:00PM

Communion: Dale Johnson Oren Walton Judy Ruffus
 Carolyn Siemer Doris Smith Joyce Todd

Greeters: Ray & Flo Mertens

Lector: Gigi McKinzie

Server: Adam McTigue Alexis Thomeczek Lukas Landmann

Ushers: Herbert Todd Sylvan Lappe

Sunday February 5, 2012—7:30AM

Communion: Kathy Birke John Rigby

Greeters: Rosie Vigna Sue Pozzo

Lectors: Gerald Chmielewski

Servers: Alison Cayabyab Michelle Lewis

Ushers: Larry Sokol Al Eise

Sunday February 5, 2012—9:00 AM

Communion: Patrick & Peggy Terrio Tom & Shirley VanAcker
 Gregory & Karen Andrus

Greeters: Ali Dyn Anjali Fernandes

Lector: Liz Carthen Ryan Arroyo

Servers: Tom Nold Harry Godwin David Meyerhoff

Ushers: Mike Broniec Flo Pankiewiz

Sunday February 5, 2012—11:00 AM

Communion: Linda Shead Dean Talley Diane Leek
 Ted & Pam McCaskill Rosemary Willenborg

Greeters: Catherine Schwartz Lynn Trieschmann

Lector: Jennifer Vehige

Servers: Brendan Gainer Alec Sword Jack Faron

Ushers: Doug Meadows Frank Gremmler

Readings for the Week
February 6—February 12



Monday: 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13; Mk 6:53-56

Tuesday: 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30; Mk 7:1-13

Wednesday: 1 Kgs 10:1-10; Mk 7:14-23

Thursday: 1 Kgs 11:4-13; Mk 7:24-30

Friday: 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19; Mk 7:31-37

Saturday: 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34;
 Mk 8:1-10

Sunday: Lv 13:1-2, 44-46; Ps 32;
 1 Cor 10:31 -- 11:1; Mk 1:40-45

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading --

Job spoke, saying: I have been assigned months of misery, and troubled nights have been allotted to me (Job 7:1-4, 6-7).

Psalm -- Praise the Lord, who heals the brokenhearted (Psalm 147).

Second Reading -- I

have become all things to all, to save at least some (1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23).

Gospel -- Jesus cured many who were sick with various diseases (Mark 1:29-39).



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PARISH HAPPENINGS**February 6—Monday**

8:15 AM—Mass—Rosary After Mass
7:00 PM—Scriptural Rosary Group—Church

February 7—Tuesday

VOTING—O'Brien Hall
8:15 AM—Mass—Rosary After Mass
7:00 PM—Liturgy Meeting—Chichester RM
7:30 PM—Scripture Study—7th Grade RM

February 8—Wednesday

8:15 AM—Mass—Rosary After Mass
7:00 PM—Parish Council—Chichester RM

February 9—Thursday

8:15 AM—Mass—Rosary After
6:30 PM—Cub Scouts—School
7:15 PM—9:00 PM—Adult Choir—Church

February 10—Friday

8:15 AM—Mass—Rosary After
Eucharistic Adoration—Church

February 11—Saturday

Trivia Night—O'Brien Hall

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 12, 2012

Whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do,
do everything for the glory of God.
-- 1 Corinthians 10:31

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

February 5, 2012, Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Keep your family safe, O Lord, with unflinching care, that, relying solely on the hope of heavenly grace, they may be defended always by your protection. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Reflection question:

How can I come to rely more on heavenly grace?

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Protecting
God's Children
Workshops

Safe Environment Program

To keep our children safe our parish complies with the Safe Environment program. Any adult who works or volunteers with young people on a regular basis must attend a Protecting God's Children workshop, agree to undergo a background check that is updated in even numbered years and sign the Code of Conduct. If you have any questions about your compliance please contact

ALTAR FLOWERS may be donated in memory of a loved one, in honor of a birthday, anniversary, any special occasion, or "Just Because". Suggested donation is \$60. Please contact Karen Meadows at 314.993.2916.

**JUST A REMINDER**

Please notify the Rectory if you become hospitalized. Due to HIPAA regulations, the hospitals no longer provide this service for patients. Also, please notify the Rectory if the person you put on the prayer list for healing has improved or no longer needs prayers for healing so that we can remove their name from the list.

***From Death to New Life***

In your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of, **Larry Birke**

brother of Kathleen Birke

of our parish. May he rest in the peace of Christ.

Upcoming School Events

- February 4th: Speech Meet, St. Paul (Fenton)
8th Graders Receive their High School Letters
- February 6th: K – 4th Grade Mass, Planned by the 3rd Grade
- February 7th: US Central Earthquake Drill
7th/8th Grade Confirmation Prayer Service,
7:00 pm, Church
Student Council
- February 8th: Parish Council, 7:00 pm, Chichester
Prayer Service for the Cross,
Grades K, 3, and 7
Abra-Kid-Abra
- February 9th: Speech,
Open House - New Student Information Night,
6:30 pm, O'Brien Hall
Camp Ondosonk Summer Camp,
Presentation, 2:00 pm, O'Brien Hall,
- February 10th: 5th – 8th Grade Mass, Planned by 7th Grade

Principal's Notes~

Wow!! What a terrific and exciting Catholic Schools Week we held. We began the celebration with an Open House. It was fantastic to see all of the parishioners, parents, and some new faces who came through to see the great work that is happening daily here in the school. The weather was so beautiful, one of the second graders asked if we could wear shorts on our dress out days. Of course I said yes, how can you say no when it is 65 degrees and a child asks. We are so blessed and thankful for the gift of Catholic education!! Our family is truly special!!!

We will hold our annual *New Student Information Night* on Thursday, February 9th, beginning at 6:30 pm in O'Brien Hall. Be sure to let your neighbors, friends, and family members know about this informational evening and spread the good news for St. Richard.

Just a reminder to all Second Graders in our parish and school: First Communion is on Sunday, May 2nd at 2:00 pm. Banner Day is the day when 2nd Graders and their parents come to create their banner and share a short prayer service together. The date for Banner Day will be announced at a later date.

We wish all of our 8th Grade the very best this weekend. The 8th Graders have applied to various high schools and they will receive their letters this weekend. Please keep each of them and their families in your prayers.

*Alive in Christ,
Julie Smith*

A BOOK TO READ

There is a great difference between the eager person who wants to read a book and the tired person who wants a book to read.

--G. K. Chesterton

St. Richard Open House

Are you interested in providing your child
with a gift that will last a lifetime?

Look no further,

St. Richard School is the Gift of a Lifetime!!

We offer many gifts that will provide opportunities for life!!!

Feel free to call for a tour (314) 872 – 3152.

We will also hold our New Student Night

On Thursday, February 9th, at 6:30 pm in O'Brien Hall.

Come meet the faculty and staff, meet other parents,
and meet other students.

All are welcome, grades K – 8th.

See you soon!!!



We invite you to the **Third Annual Catholic Women for Christ Conference**

— **To Love and Serve the Lord** —

Mary, Mother of Mercy, Mother of Peace

Saturday, March 31, 2012 at America's Center
Doors open at 7:00 a.m.

Eucharistic Adoration chapel opens and early check-in encouraged. Early vendor shopping also available. Conference begins with morning praise and prayer at 7:30 a.m. and concludes with the celebration of the Holy Eucharist at 4:00 p.m. To register for the conference, please visit our website:

catholicwomenforchrist.org or send a check payable to Catholic Women for Christ with the completed form below. Registration fee is \$40/ attendee on or before St. Patrick's Day March 17, 2012; after March 17, cost is \$45/ attendee..

For more information, please call 314-291-2566

Please Mail To: Catholic Women for Christ
MS 331001 P. O Box 798307 St Louis MO
63179-8000

Please note: Babies are welcome! Please bring your own supplies as there are no special provisions/accommodations available on site.

The family, based on the marriage...

...the family, based on the marriage of a man and a woman, is not a simple social convention, but rather the fundamental cell of every society. Consequently, policies which undermine the family threaten human dignity and the future of humanity itself...More generally, and with particular reference to the West, I am convinced that legislative measures which not only permit but at times even promote abortion for reasons of convenience or for questionable medical motives compromise the education of young people and, as a result, the future of humanity." ~ Pope Benedict XVI,

Address of His Holiness Pope Benedict XVI to the Members of the Diplomatic Corps Accredited to the Holy See, January 9, 2012



HINDSIGHT

God's presence is not discerned at the time when it is upon us, but afterwards, when we look back.

--John Henry Newman

Trivia Night

Last Chance

February 11, 2012

Doors open at 7:00 p.m.,
play begins at 7:45 p.m.

Trivia Night is almost sold out. If you have not made your reservation, or sent in your payment, please do so as soon as possible. If you would like to play, but do not have a whole table, let me know and I may be able to assist. I have one table who is looking for players. If you have any questions, please contact Carol Thomeczek at 314-567-4033, or cthomeczek@aol.com.

Tuesday, February 21, 2012
7:00 P.M.

Laissez Les Bon Temps Rouler!

It's Mardi Gras Time! The Ladies Club is hosting its annual Fat Tuesday Dessert Party. Please join us on Tuesday, February 21 in the St. Richard Chichester Room. Easy access through the rectory garage will be provided. The festivities begin at 7:00 P.M.

For reservations, call Sue LaFever at 432-4517. The cost for the evening is \$10.00 payable to St. Richard's Ladies Club. Please send your payment to Sue. Reservations need to be made by Tuesday, February 14.

An **Easter Fair planning meeting** will take place on Thursday, February 23 at 7:00 pm. We will meet at Laura Cibulka's house (1175 Crickett Hill Dr.) Please call 995-6949 or email lauraandmarty@sbcglobal.net if you have any questions. All are welcome to join us!



BREAKFAST WITH VALENTINE

(a little late this year)

Sponsored by St. Richard Men's Club

At: O'Brien Hall

Sunday, February 19—8-11 AM

Omelets, Pancakes, Sausage, Eggs, Potatoes,
Fruits, All Types of Drinks

Cost: Adult--\$6.00—Child-\$4.00

Family \$22.00 (5+)

Omelets \$1.00 Extra

All Money Collected Goes to Parish

COME WITH YOUR VALENTINE!



SEAFOOD DINNERS



Mark your calendars for a St. Richard tradition: our annual Lenten Seafood Dinners. Spread the word to family and friends to join us for great food and fellowship every Friday during Lent in O'Brien Hall. Dinners will be served from 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., starting February 24 and running through April 6. In addition to our fresh fried and baked cod, we'll have all of your favorites: fried catfish, baked fish, cheese pizza, all-you-can-eat side dishes, plus weekly specials and desserts! We're in need of a few volunteers to help out on Friday evenings. If you're interested, please contact Kris Hartweger at gghartweger@sbcglobal.net.



Women's ACTS Retreat March 8—

Registrations taken on *first come basis* for the second St. Monica ACTS retreat from 6:30 P.M. on March 8 and return for Mass Sunday March 11 at 11:30 A.M.

Space is limited, register today! Forms are at all entrances of Church.

Call: Joni Mullen, 314.752.1330 or

Vicki Westall at 314.997.4394 for information.

**St. Richard Parish
Financial Results
Month Ended December 31, 2011**

Comparative Income Statement

	December 31, 2011		Variance
	Actual	Budget	Fav (Unfav)
Operating Income	\$155,042	\$98,169	\$56,873 (a)
Operating Expense	107,048	106,525	-523
Net Income	\$47,994	-\$8,357	\$56,351

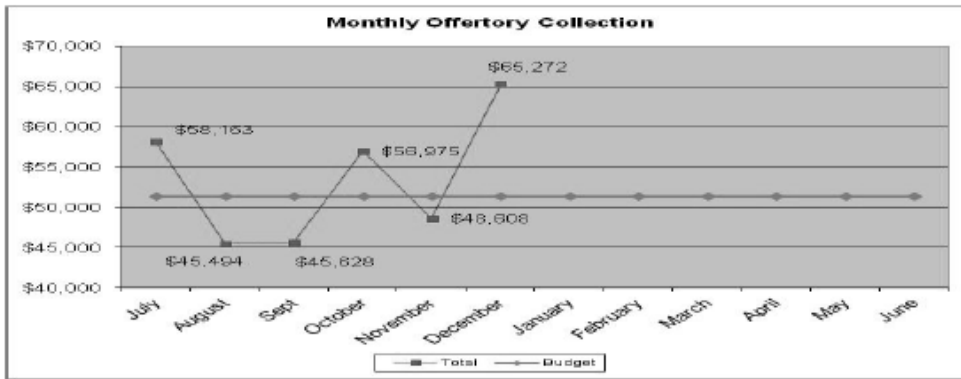
Notes:

Above represents results of the parish and school. Does not reflect results of the Athletic Association, Men's & Ladies clubs, Home & School Association, Leisure Club and Gift Card Program

(a) - Primarily restricted and unrestricted gifts to parish and school

Net Income by Fund

	December 31, 2011		Variance
	Actual	Budget	Fav (Unfav)
Church (Parish) Fund	\$84,275	\$41,043	\$43,232 (a)
School Fund	(37,271)	(49,961)	12,690 (a)
After School Care Fund	991	561	429
Total	\$47,994	-\$8,357	\$56,351



Church Renovation / Debt Reduction Program

Debt Reduction Funds Collected	\$7,353
Loan Interest Expense	1,189
Monthly Loan Payment	\$8,617
Loan Balance	\$380,307

Note: The church renovation loan is a 10 year loan thru the Archdiocese, concluding in February 2019



**St. Vincent de Paul Society
St. Richard Parish
Fourth Quarter of 2011 Report to Parishioners**

Dear Parishioners:

We thank you for your generous donations! With your help, we continue to offer compassion, financial aid and resources to people who struggle to meet their daily basic needs. A core group of members meet on the second Thursday evening of each month in the rectory basement in the Board room at 7:30 p.m. Anyone interested is welcome.

Home Visits: In this major program of St. Vincent de Paul, we visit and help any family in urgent need. Examples are families who are about to be evicted, whose gas or electricity is about to be turned off, or are in need of food. We visit households within our parish boundaries. This past quarter we assisted 66 families. The chart below summarizes the monetary assistance we gave during the fourth quarter of 2011.

Month	Utilities	Housing	Food	Transportation	Total
<u>Oct.</u>	\$1079.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 49.92	--	\$ 1278.92
<u>Nov.</u>	\$ 709.76	\$ 487.50	\$ 55.57	--	\$ 1252.83
<u>Dec.</u>	\$ 776.72		\$ 55.57	\$120.00	\$ 952.29
<u>TOTAL</u>	\$2565.48	\$ 637.50	\$161.06	\$120.00	\$ 3484.04

We were also able to obtain DOLLAR MORE or FEMA funds in the amount of \$1507.63 for utilities for 8 clients. These funds with our own funds amounted to \$4991.67 in financial aid to those in need within our parish boundaries.

of Families Assisted: (Oct.) 29 + (Nov.) 19 + (Dec.) 18 = 66

Casserole Program: In this program parishioners cook and serve dinner once a month to the poor and homeless at St. Vincent de Paul Church. This quarter we served or left food for approximately 362 persons on our nights (the last Saturday of each month). For more information about this program, call Mary Lou Johnson, 432-2741 or Mary Ann Adams, 432-6950. Due to Christmas Eve falling on the last Sat. of the month, we did not have a meals program in December.

Sandwich Program: In this program, parishioners make sandwiches every two weeks to be taken to Sts. Peter and Paul Church downtown for the Men's Shelter.

This program runs from the 2nd Monday of November thru March and will begin on Monday, November 14th and will end on Monday, March 19th. Through Nov. & Dec. our parishioners made 880 sandwiches that were delivered to Sts. Peter & Paul. For more information, call Peg Bischof, 569-3855.

Through a special grant, we provided 5 client families with boxes of food & household cleaning items. Also, a local company adopted 3 of our client families. They presented them with clothing, toys, and other items on their wish list. The joy & happiness on their faces was priceless.

To all who have helped in these or any other works of the St. Vincent de Paul Society, with donations of time and/or money, Thank You! To anyone interested in helping or would like to ask a question, please call Dale Johnson, 997-7289

Gift Card Program

2011 GOAL:

After thirty weeks of the Parish fiscal year and we have earned over \$21,000 so far. With the remaining weeks left, an average of \$900 per week in GLS earnings will get us to our target of \$42,000 for the year. We continue to see increased participation from existing families, as well as some new families purchasing GCP. Thank you for your continued support.

Not sure how the program works? Please ask Tony Meluso or Julia Stagner about GCP.

HOME & SCHOOL FUNDRAISERS:

Home & School has upcoming fundraisers at Papa John's (2/2 & 3/1) and Steak N Shake (2/16). Save some time cooking dinner and order/eat out. Buy your GCP cards in advance to pay for dinner and support the Parish. Please check the bulletin or with the school for flyers that might be needed for fundraiser participation. Proceeds benefit Home & School Association which Generously supports our school.

SPECIALTY CARDS:

Maximize our contributions! Did you know that you can use Dierberg's and Walgreen's gift cards purchased at St. Richard to buy other gift cards sold by the store?

Dierberg's and Walgreens carry a wide variety of gift cards. When you can't wait for next week's GLS delivery, buy extra cards for Dierberg's & Walgreens and stop by their location to fill your immediate needs. They carry online game cards and Visa/Amex gift cards which are not available via GLS. These stores also carry a few items we cannot purchase via GLS – cards like Nordstrom's and Southwest Airlines. Other cards like Toys R Us or Subway are available and we can earn 5% or 6% through Dierberg's & Walgreens, instead of the 1.5% or 3% when purchasing through GLS. *Just a little extra planning and work can reap great rewards for the Parish!*

Gift cards purchased at Dierberg's cannot be run through the self-service scanners – you must check out with a Dierberg's cashier. Please note that the Visa and American Express cards sold at these stores do have an activation fee.

EASTER BREAK:

GLS will be closed from April 2nd through April 6th. Please place all orders needed for Easter by Sunday, March 25th to get delivery in time for Easter weekend.

GCP Continued

NEW INFO:

Gap/Old Navy \$100 cards currently earn a 2% bonus. Purchase now through February 12th and we earn 16% instead of the normal 14%. This bonus only applies to \$100 cards.

Harry & Dave cards currently earn a 3% bonus. Purchase now through February 12th and we earn 13% instead of the normal 10%.

Marriott cards currently earn a 2% bonus. Purchase now through February 12th and we earn 10% instead of the normal 8%.

Old Country Buffet/Ryan's recently filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection. GLS will no longer carry these cards and urges anyone who currently has cards to use them as soon as possible.

UPDATE:

We are able to buy Dierberg's, Kohl's, Shop N Save, Seven Eleven, Bandanas and First Watch gift cards in addition to the cards available at Great Lakes. For a complete listing of GLS cards, go to the parish website www.strichardstl.org. Select Parish Organizations, Service Life Ministry and click on the link to the GCP information. There is a complete vendor listing available.

Thank you for all your gift card purchases – St. Richard Parish
appreciates your support!

If you have any questions or suggestions, please call Tony Meluso at 567-5563

STEWARDSHIP

Gift Card Sales

Amount of Sales: \$11,760.00

Number of Families: 54

Gross Profit: \$604.05

"Rising very early before dawn, he left and went off to a deserted place, where he prayed...He told them, 'Let us go on to the nearby villages that I may preach there also. For this purpose have I come.'" - Mark 1:35, 38

Through today's Gospel reading we see a perfect example of stewardship. Jesus gives His time to doing all that God wishes - healing the sick and preaching. Yet Jesus also makes time to be alone in prayer. It is only through prayer, through spending time with God, that any of us can find the strength to do all that God wishes us to do. Be sure to find time this week to be with God.

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**Saturday, February 4, 2012—5:00PM****Communion:** Dale Johnson Oren Walton Judy Ruffus
Carolyn Siemer Doris Smith Joyce Todd**Greeters:** Ray & Flo Mertens**Lector:** Gigi McKinzie**Server:** Adam McTigue Alexis Thomeczek Lukas Landmann**Ushers:** Herbert Todd Sylvan Lappe**Sunday February 5, 2012—7:30AM****Communion:** Kathy Birke John Rigby**Greeters:** Rosie Vigna Sue Pozzo**Lectors:** Gerald Chmielewski**Servers:** Alison Cayabyab Michelle Lewis**Ushers:** Larry Sokol Al Eise**Sunday February 5, 2012—9:00 AM****Communion:** Patrick & Peggy Terrio Tom & Shirley VanAcker
Gregory & Karen Andrus**Greeters:** Ali Dyn Anjali Fernandes**Lector:** Liz Carthen Ryan Arroyo**Servers:** Tom Nold Harry Godwin David Meyerhoff**Ushers:** Mike Broniec Flo Pankiewicz**Sunday February 5, 2012—11:00 AM****Communion:** Linda Shead Dean Talley Diane Leek
Ted & Pam McCaskill Rosemary Willenborg**Greeters:** Catherine Schwartze Lynn Trieschmann**Lector:** Jennifer Vehige**Servers:** Brendan Gainer Alec Sword Jack Faron**Ushers:** Doug Meadows Frank Gremmler**Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time****Saturday, February 11, 2012—5:00pm****Communion:** Shirley Brown Carol Underriner Sharon Cusick
Moe & Rita Birk Bridget Cusick**Greeters:** Mike & Judy Ruffus**Lector:** Carolyn Siemer**Server:** Jacob Gremaud Conor Dunlap Tony Luebbert**Ushers:** Herbert Todd Sylvan Lappe**Sunday February 12, 2012—7:30 AM****Communion:** John Blum Coral D'Rosario**Greeters:** John Rigby Rosie Vigna**Lector:** Gerald Chmielewski**Server:** Mikayla McTigue Jarrod Stagner**Ushers:** Larry Sokol Al Eise**Sunday February 12, 2012—9:00AM****Communion:** Hugues Belanger Karen Clements**Paul Gremaud Kerry DeGregorio Gordon & Kaye Hartweger****Greeters:** Anna Angert Frances Scott**Lectors:** Steve Meyerhoff**Servers:** Madison Milton Josiah Schmeiderer**Ashleigh Weismiller****Ushers:** Mike Broniec Flo Pankiewicz**Sunday February 12, 2012—11:00 AM****Communion:** Frank & Carolyn Gremmler Jane Kreher
Joan Michel Paul & Terri Wienke**Greeters:** Sue LaFever & Many Ann Adams**Lector:** Rosalie Manz**Servers:** Christopher Hirsch Lauren Griffin Alexander Milke**Ushers:** Doug Meadows Frank Gremmler**Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time****Saturday, February 18, 2012—5:00 PM****Communion:** Bridget Cusick Sharon Cusick Judy Mosier
Michele Johnson Mimi Minner Oren Walton**Greeters:** Terry Linneman Mary Ann Adams**Lector:** Doris Smith**Server:** Tom Nold Harry Godwin Alec Sword**Ushers:** Herbert Todd Sylvan Lappe**Sunday—February 19, 2012—7:30 AM****Communion:** Al Eise Ed Folks**Greeters:** Al & Betty Eise**Lectors:** Tom Ferris**Servers:** Seamus Pierson Sean Pierson**Ushers:** Larry Sokol Al Eise**Sunday—February 19, 2012—9:00 AM****Communion:** Jennifer Keller Karla Kutz Angie Meyer
Theresa Meyerhoff Kelly Mock**Greeters:** Joe & Margaret Winer**Lector:** Mindy Peters**Servers:** Alexis Becker Michael Dierker Griffin Mansfield**Ushers:** Mike Broniec Flo Pankiewicz**Sunday—February 19, 2012—11:00 AM****Communion:** Nick & Colleen Wakus Rosemary Willenborg
Sue Conlisk Jan Henderson Diane Leek**Greeters:** Joyce Harbers Sue Conlisk**Lector:** Paul Wienke**Servers:** Brendan Gainer Lukas Landmann Paul Gillam**Ushers:** Doug Meadows Frank Gremmler**First Sunday of Lent****Saturday, February 24, 2012—5:00 PM****Communion:** Shirley Brown Doris Smith Joyce Todd
Carol Underriner Moe & Rita Berk**Greeters:** Cecilia Geringer Sue Pozzo**Lector:** Carol Underriner**Server:** Alexis Thomeczek Alexander Milke Lauren Griffin**Ushers:** Herbert Todd Sylvan Lappe**Sunday—February 25, 2012—7:30 AM****Communion:** Tom Ferris Joan Prather**Greeters:** Rosie Vigna John Rigby**Lectors:** Sandra Kardis**Servers:** Alison Cayabyab Michelle Lewis**Ushers:** Larry Sokol Al Eise**Sunday—February 25, 2012—9:00 AM****Communion:** Tom & Kathy Peters Bernie & Marty Ruthmeyer
Marilyn Scherrer Daniel Sudkamp**Greeters:** Ed & Rosemary Bialecke**Lector:** Dave Peters**Servers:** Hunter Becker Ben Kuehn Caitlin Kuehn**Ushers:** Mike Broniec Flo Pankiewicz**Sunday—February 25, 2012—11:00 AM****Communion:** Ted & Pam McCaskill Paul & Terri Wienke
Linda Shead Dean Talley**Greeters:** Sue LaFever & Ginnie Stanislaw**Lector:** Jan Henderson**Servers:** Jacob Gremaud Mikayla McTigue Jarrod Stagner**Ushers:** Doug Meadows Frank Gremmler

Any country that accepts abortion is not teaching its people to love, but to use any violence to get what they want.
This is why the greatest destroyer of love and peace is abortion. - Blessed Teresa of Calcutta