

A Special Thank You!



We would like to express our gratitude to the St. Joseph Parish Community for all the support and help in hosting this year's *Christmas in the Village* Fair. The fair was a success on so many fronts. We were overjoyed with the number of people who came through our church doors and kept us hopping all day. There were so many visitors with smiling faces, telling us how welcoming and beautiful our Church is. We are waiting on a few payments to arrive, but we can say we made approximately \$14,000 profit this year!

The fair would not have been possible without the dedication and hard work of the planning committee including:

- Charlie & Joanne Burke along with Steve Ober. The Burke's organized the Bistro and provided menus and recipes to our chefs while Steve managed the Bistro during the fair. Thanks to our Bistro Chefs: George Helwig, Meg and Keith Kelley, Lise and Glen Dehart, and Steve Ober. We are also grateful to Don McLelland Sr. for coordinating the service line.
- Lisa Tuthill, whose leadership made the penny sale a record-breaking success! Lisa created over 40 themed baskets using donations from parishioners. She was also responsible for the lottery tree, which was a real hit with visitors.
- Anne Grant, who chaired the Bakery.
- Mary Lacroix, who took on the craft table. Our craft table would not have been possible without the support of Mary, Tina Hayes, Maggie Livingston, Anne Grant, Jennifer Ruffing, and many others who donated the results of their talent.
- Karen Gallagher, whose leadership resulted in record-breaking sales at the jewelry table.
- Janet Leroux and Karen Ober, whose decorating vision transformed the parish hall to look like a "Village."
- Kerry Bergeron, who made sure our visitors were welcomed and who was instrumental in securing so many silent auction donations.
- Laurette Young, taking on the challenge of making our cash raffle a success.
- Karen Ober and her elves at the Children's Table along with Aimee Gendron with face painting
- Liz Clark our treasurer.

We would also like to thank Ruth Mooney who made over 100 pies, Jeanne Breton and the St. Joseph "Kazoo Carrying" Choir singing Christmas Carols, and the Leroux sisters for their help behind the scenes. More importantly, none of this happens without the support of our parishioners who donated baked goods, items for our penny sale baskets, lottery tickets, crafts, or helped before, during, or after the fair.

God Bless!

Cathy & Dick Dumais
Co-Chairs.

