

Diocesan Summer Camp 2007

Report for Diocesan Convention

Respectfully Submitted by Kim and Tim Gray, Camp Directors, Cathedral of St. James

Summer Camp continues to be successful in large part because of the people who volunteer throughout the diocese and beyond. Thank you for the many ways you support your campers financially and prayerfully!

Jesus is my Superhero!

"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." Philippians 4:13
How does Christ strengthen people in the Bible? How does Christ strengthen me?

Excerpt from our theme and program for the week: Monday

Superman/King David (Anointing of David)

1 Samuel 16:7 But the LORD said to Samuel, "Do not consider his appearance or his height, for I have rejected him. The LORD does not look at the things man looks at. Man looks at the outward appearance, but the LORD looks at the heart."

David, the runt, is chosen out of all of his brothers. He is **ACCEPTED** by God just as he is, and chosen as the anointed one. We, too, with all of our strengths and weaknesses, are accepted by God and chosen as his children.

NUMBERS:

<u>Staff</u>	<u>Campers</u>	<u>Little Kids</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
53	105	10	168

(**2005:** 60 Staff, 126 Campers, 186 Total, **2006:** 51 Staff, 118 Campers, 169 Total)

Staff Kids

Who Didn't Pay

18

Scholarships

3 Campers received Diocesan Assistance

40 Campers received some sort of Parish Assistance

Special thanks to the following:

- Snacks: St. Paul's- Mishawaka: Pop and Popcorn Night
St. Anne's- Warsaw: Ice Cream Sundae Night
St. John's- Elkhart: Ice cream bars and M&M's
- Publications: Dawn Tyler
- T-Shirts: Mike Skiver- Glassique Art
- Music Leader: Brittany Kusserow
- Photographer: Daniel Kallenberg
- Part-Time Staff: Kirk Philippsen, Lori Cooper, Mike Skiver
- Camp Clergy: Pastor Susan Haynes, Bishop Frank Gray, Dcn. Gloria Taylor
- Camp Alexander Mack (Church of the Brethren): For being great hosts and offering amazing, Christ-centered facilities and staff!

Recommendations for Action 2007

In 2006 we recommended that due to some key staff and clergy from past years moving from the diocese, we needed to raise up new leaders. Our prayers were answered! Our staff did not miss a beat and was filled with wonderful people both new and veterans to summer camp.

Successful 2007 Recruiting activities that we recommend for 2008:

- Parish visits
- Parish publications
- Downloadable forms and brochures on the diocesan website
- DVD presentation
- Camp Liaison speaking at each church (possibly have that person distribute the information in addition to the church priest)

Camp #'s By Parish

	<u>Staff</u>	<u>Campers</u>
Cathedral, St. James	11	17
Christ the King	1	8
Gethsemane	1	3
Grace Fort Wayne	0	1
Holy Family	0	1
St. Alban's	1	11
St. Andrew's Kokomo	4	14
St. Andrew's Valparaiso	0	2
St. Anne's	9	18
St. Barnabas-in-the-Dunes	0	2
St. John of the Cross	3	0
St. John's Elkhart	6	4
St. Michael's South Bend	6	10
St. Paul's Munster	4	9
St. Paul's LaPorte	0	1
St. Paul's Mishawaka	1	2
St. Peter's Rensselaer	1	0
St. Timothy	2	0
Trinity Logansport	1	3
Trinity Mich. City	2	6
Other:	0	3

Diocesan Parishes Participating: 20

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