



# The OAS Messenger

April 2007

## Fiscal Management and Discipleship Conference

Thursday May 3, 2007

Keynote address by Archbishop Buechlein on **St. Theodora Guérin and Servant of God Simon Bruté—Models of Good Fiscal Management**

### **Workshop Sessions include:**

- O Legacy for Our Mission Follow up Strategies
  - O Hot Buttons in Financial Management
  - O Electronic Giving
  - O Property and Facilities Management-Protecting Your Assets
  - O Charity Gaming
- Many, many more.....

To obtain more information and to register on-line, visit our website at [www.archindy.org/fmdc](http://www.archindy.org/fmdc) or contact Jamie Reinke in the Office of Accounting Services at 317.236.1410 or [emiller@archindy.org](mailto:emiller@archindy.org).

### **REMINDER - Natural Gas Cost Savings Opportunity for Schools - Vectron customers only**

In early February, many of the Archdiocese schools were notified by letter from the Archdiocese that they are potentially eligible for a cost savings opportunity on Natural Gas by purchasing the gas on the open market through ProLiance Energy instead of their local utility. Only very large schools or smaller schools who are currently Vectron customers are eligible based on the current Indiana State laws. Lawmakers are looking to increase the number of eligible customers in the future.

To receive more information including an analysis of potential cost savings based on your past 12 months use of natural gas, please contact Scott Whitaker at ProLiance Energy at 317-231-6941. If you have any questions you can contact Stacy Harris at the Archdiocese at 317-236-1535 or 1-800-382-9836 ext. 1535.

### **Budget Guidelines**

The 2007-2008 budget guidelines and supporting documents are now available at <http://www.archindy.org/budget>.

The budgets may be mailed, e-mailed or faxed and are due by June 15, 2007 to the Office of Accounting Services, Attention Sarah Harmeyer. Please also submit the signed and completed Budget Approval Form found in Appendix B. The Budget Approval Form is new for the 07-08 budgets.

**If you have any questions or require assistance with budget preparation, please contact Sarah Harmeyer in the Office of Accounting Services at [sharmeyer@archindy.org](mailto:sharmeyer@archindy.org) or call 1-800-382-9836 ext. 3376 or 317-261-3376.**

### **April-June 2007 ADLF Rates**

The ADLF interest rates in effect for the quarter ending June 30, 2007 are 5.75% for deposits and 7.75% for loans. ADLF savings accounts accrue interest at the discount rate less 0.5%, and loans are charged interest at prime less 0.5%. Both are adjusted quarterly based on the rates published on the last business day of the previous quarter. If you have any questions regarding ADLF, please contact Michelle Scheidler at [Mscheidler@archindy.org](mailto:Mscheidler@archindy.org) or 317.261-3371.

### **Criterion Postal Audit/Affidavit**

In June of 2006, the U.S. Postal Service conducted an audit to verify *The Criterion's* circulation and subscriber list. The Postal Service is asking the Archdiocese and its parishes to provide more documentation yearly to substantiate its subscriber list. We need to comply with this request to continue to mail *The Criterion* at the lower-cost "periodicals rate" or we will face a substantial price increase.

In the budget material available at [www.archindy.org/budget](http://www.archindy.org/budget) a copy of the affidavit was included. Please fill out, sign and return the affidavit to *The Criterion*, by May 1, 2007. It is critical that everyone return these forms.

If you have any questions, please contact Ron Massey at 317-236-1454 or 1-800-382-9836 ext. 1454.

Thank you for your help.

### **St. Francis Xavier Home Missions Grant July 2007 Applications**

Applications for the July 2007 Home Mission Grants are due in the Vicar General's Office by Friday, May 18, 2007. Applications are available on line at <http://www.archindy.org/finance/>. For further information, please contact Stacy Harris by e-mail at [sharris@archindy.org](mailto:sharris@archindy.org) or by phone at 317-236-1535 or 1-800-382-9836 ext. 1535.

### **ADLF Meeting Dates**

The upcoming ADLF Meeting dates are as follows:

Monday June 4, 2007

Monday August 13, 2007

Monday November 12, 2007

If there are any questions please contact Michelle Scheidler at [Mscheidler@archindy.org](mailto:Mscheidler@archindy.org) or 317-261-3371.