Youth mini-convention successful

A novel approach to youth involvement at deanery conventions was initiated in conjunction with the recently-held Lafayette City Deanery Convention. On Oct. 23 at the Bishop Jeanmard Center a team headed by Dion Dubois coordinated a Youth Mini-Convention for youth and youth ministers of the Lafayette City Deanery.

According to Mrs. Lou Dugas, team member, the group thought it was something that was needed at deanery conventions. Originally youth representatives were encouraged to attend the conventions, but that plan was not as successful or effective.

The theme, “Old people dream dreams, Young people see visions” (Joel 2:28), was selected to represent not only what the youth would like to see happening in the diocese, but the plans made to realize those dreams, said Davis.

One of the steps toward realizing their dreams was taken when, at the convention, a Youth Deanery Council was formed. The first meeting has been scheduled for Nov. 14 at 2 p.m. at the Catholic Student Center on USL’s campus.

“I thought the youth mini-convention was a great success,” commented Dugas. “We’re hoping to conduct one every year.”

Many activities highlighted the day-long event including the formation of a Lafayette City Deanery Youth Council.