



**Trailers have arrived and the construction of the center is underway**

## St. Joseph's Rebuild Center becoming a reality

St. Joseph Church, a Vincentian parish, has partnered with other organizations to create a multi-service recovery center on the grounds of the church. Among the collaborating partners are the Fr. Harry Thompson Center, a Jesuit sponsored ministry for the homeless; Lantern Light, Inc, a Presentation service ministry for the poor; the Daughters of Charity Health Services; the Office of Hispanic Ministry of the Archdiocese of New Orleans and other agencies.

The rebuild center will be composed of a network of modular buildings located on the parking lot behind the church. It will serve people made homeless by Hurricane Katrina, the chronically homeless and immigrant workers from Latin America who have come seeking work in rebuilding the city.

As with most building efforts in New Orleans, we have met with a few hurdles. Our hope is that we will be up and running this summer '07. Please keep this project in your prayers that it may model collaboration, a quality that is so essential for rebuilding this city