

 *Pastor's Notes*



DEAR PARISH FAMILY,

Special thanks to everyone who came to my reception and to everyone who worked to make it a success. Thanks also to those who gave cards and gifts. I appreciate your thoughtfulness.

I am still overwhelmed by the warm welcome I am continuing to receive both from adults and children. For example, last Wednesday evening, I spent a few minutes at Bible School. Three fourth grade girls - Emily Crites, Sarah Fowler, and Susan Luken - gave me flowering plants. I want to thank Shannon Flynn and all those who assisted her in making Vacation Bible School enjoyable and successful.

Many have asked about my vacation. I very much enjoyed visiting my friends and baptizing two of their children. On a sad note, the oldest daughter, who is thirty-eight, was diagnosed with breast cancer the day I arrived. Please pray for her. I want to thank Fr. Anto for all the Masses he celebrated during my absence and since my return. Thank you for your kindness and generosity to him and to the Salesian missions.

In the Bible, hospitality is a virtue, not a social grace. In the couple of weeks I have been here, I have seen so many examples of hospitality. This is a virtue we as individuals and as a community want to continue to develop.

This weekend the Sisters of St. Francis, Oldenburg, are celebrating jubilees. At least four of the jubilarians have ties to Little Flower. Sister Mary Schmidlin, who is celebrating her fiftieth anniversary, is a daughter of the parish. Sister Georganne Brown, formerly Sister George Ann, who is celebrating her sixtieth anniversary, taught here in the 1940's. Sister Martine Mayborg, who is celebrating her fiftieth anniversary, taught here from 1955 to 1957. In fact, she was my first grade teacher. In 1960, when the Sisters began their mission in New Guinea, Sister Martine volunteered and was chosen to go to New Guinea. She continues to serve in New Guinea. (I have often wondered if there was any connection between teaching me and volunteering to go to New Guinea!) Finally, Sister Kathleen McShay lived in the convent at Little Flower during the latter part of the 1960's and early 70's. Among other ministries, she served as chaplain at Community Hospital. Please give thanks to God for their service to the Church and to Little Flower parish.

Have A Great Week  
Fr. Bob



**FR. BOB WILL BE INSTALLED AS OUR PASTOR ON SUNDAY, AUGUST 24TH AT THE 10:30 A.M. MASS WITH ARCHBISHOP DANIEL OFFICIATING**

**FOUND - A ring was found in the gym on Tuesday, July 15<sup>th</sup>. Please call the Parish Center for details - 357-8352.**

**On Sunday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> we will be offering a special blessing for all of our young adults who will begin or return to college for the new academic year.**

**College students, please join us for this special blessing.**

We are saddened with these recent deaths: **Tara Ehrmantraut** on Wednesday, July 16<sup>th</sup>. She is the mother of one of our former students, Shannon who graduated from Little Flower school in 2002. She is also survived by her husband, James and parents, John & Vicki Whaley. Also, **Esther Scales**, 96 years old, died Tuesday, July 15<sup>th</sup>. She is the mother of Wayne Turner. **Robert Carter**, died on Friday, July 18<sup>th</sup>. He is survived by his children, Mary Sitzman, Genevieve Short, Nancy Glawatz, Robert Carter, Jr. and Joseph Carter. **Helen Ryan** died July 20<sup>th</sup>. She is survived by her sister, Kathryn Mongahan. Her sister, Bea Wilks preceded her in death. Our prayers and sympathy go their families.

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK  
JULY 28- AUGUST 3**

- 28 July Monday**  
7:00 a.m. Ed Ortmann by Arthur Ortmann  
5:30 p.m. Dorrismaye Allen by Emma Jean Duncan and Family
- 29 July Tuesday**  
7:00 a.m. Communion Service  
5:30 p.m. Sheridan "Dan" Bowron by Catherine Bowron
- 30 July Wednesday**  
7:00 a.m. Frances Van Treese by The Little Flower Ladies Club  
5:30 p.m. Mary Anne O'Bryan by Madelynn Miller
- 31 July Thursday**  
7:00 a.m. Communion Service  
5:30 p.m. Michael Clifford by Ruth Clifford
- 1 August Friday**  
8:30 a.m. Charles and Mary O'Hara by Jim O'Hara  
5:30 p.m. John Sheehan by The Family
- 2 August Saturday**  
8:30 a.m. Rosemary Igel by Joe Striby  
5:00 p.m. Vigil - Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Mary Haboush by Al Haboush and Arvina Fuller
- 3 August Sunday - Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
8:30 a.m. Lawrence J. Krackenberger by Bea Krackenberger  
10:30 a.m. Jean Sutherland by The Maley Family  
6:00 p.m. For The Parish

**PARISH EVENTS FOR JULY 28 - AUGUST 3**

<b>Monday</b>	St. Patrick	7:00 pm	Baptismal Prep. Class
<b>Wednesday</b>	St. Patrick	9:00 am	Bible Study
	St. Therese	7:00 pm	Landscape Meeting
	Meet Parking Lot	7:40 am	Kings Island Trip
<b>Thursday</b>	St. Therese	7:00 pm	AA
<b>Saturday</b>	St. Therese	7:00 am	Men's Prayer Group
	St. Therese	2:00 pm	Blue Army
<b>Sunday</b>	St. Patrick	8:30 am	Childrens' Liturgy
	St. Therese	8:30 am	Nursery up to 4 years
	St. Therese	Noon	GA



Please keep Fr. Dave Sullivan, our Missionary to the Philippines, in your prayers. Mary Jo Campbell, his sister, informed us July 17th that he was hospitalized with a high fever and cellulitis. He has been released for two weeks of bed rest.

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



**TO ALL THE VOLUNTEERS WHO HELPED WITH VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL!!!**

**Our wonderful helpers were:** Laura Fleak and her family; Karen Cochard,

Jodi Legere, Helen McCaslin, Jane Roembke, Cari Gallagher; Debbie Spalding, Tricia Corcoran, Frank Impicicche, Aly Royce, Regina Dew, Jeannie Zimmerman; Mark Bucherl, Jenny Nevins, Katie Lyons, April Muller, Marie Martin, Patty Ehr Gott, Steve Flynn, Stacy Bucherl, Kathy Priller, Lauren Jay, Charlie Ernestes, Steve Priller, Sherri Pinkerman, Georgia Impicicche and anyone else inadvertently forgotten.

**A special thank you to the Junior High and High School kids who assisted:** Alex Grohovsky, Kathleen Miller, Cari Dew, Lucretia Keenan, Joey Jackson, Josh Lemieux, Courtney Glass, Belinda Crites, Magan Flahive, Ashley Dugan and Cori Bucherl.

**WALKING IN GOOD COMPANY!**

The Little Flower walking group meets every Monday, Wednesday and Thursday morning in front of church, between 8:30 and 8:45 a.m. for a leisurely walk around the neighborhood. Come and join us for light exercise in good company! Kids and pets are welcome! Call the Parish Center for more information.



**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**  
**Little Flower School Clean Up Day**  
**Saturday, August 9<sup>th</sup>**  
**More details to follow**

**BAPTISM**

Andrew Lewis, son of Patrice (Lewis) and Daniel Greene was baptized on Sunday, July 9<sup>th</sup>. We welcome him and congratulate the family and friends.



**THE PARISH PICNIC WILL BE**  
**SUNDAY, AUGUST 17<sup>TH</sup> AT GARFIELD PARK**  
**AFTER THE 10:30 A.M. MASS**



If you have lost an item in Church or the Parish Center in the last several months, please call Judi at the Parish Center. We have a few items which if not claimed will go to the St. Vincent de Paul donation site. Always check the Ushers room and the shelves by the church doors. **Also,**

**baking and serving dishes are accumulating from the Funeral Luncheons.** Please check with Judi as we will store them in the pantry for awhile and then donate also to SVDP.

**EMPLOYMENT:** Evening custodian at Christ the King School on the Northside. Hours 2 p.m. until 10:30 p.m. Competitive wages, plus benefits. Responsibilities include cleaning school and security for evening meetings. Need to start week of August 11. Please leave your name and number at the School Office (257-9366) or the Parish Office (255-3666)

**SHARING YOUR TREASURE**

We would like to very gratefully acknowledge a very generous gift from the estate of Bernice Borton. Bernice also remembered the parish by making the parish the beneficiary of two life insurance policies. This latest gift was another example of her foresight and commitment to Little Flower Parish. According to her wishes, half of her gift will be used to provide financial assistance to students attending Little Flower School.

**In addition, two generous memorial donations have been received in memory of Frances Van Treese.** We express our gratitude to her daughter-in-law and grandson for remembering our parish.

**BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASS - This Monday, July 28<sup>th</sup>, parents are invited to attend this preparation class at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Center. Attendance is required for parents who are requesting baptism for their child and have not previously attended a preparation class. Please call the Parish Center to register – 357-8352 by THIS MONDAY. The next class is scheduled for September 29<sup>th</sup>.**

**PRO-LIFE BOOTH NEEDS VOLUNTEERS**

Volunteers are needed for the Pro-Life Booth at the Indiana State Fair, which runs from August 6<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup>. Shifts are: 9–1 p.m.; 1–5 p.m.; and 5–9 p.m. If interested, call 844 - 6833 or 253-1957.

**ATTENTION PARISH YOUTH - GRADES 8 - 12**

**Cook out and swimming** at Tom's house on Thursday, August 14<sup>th</sup> (not change in date) from 7:30 p.m. until 10:30 p.m. Call Tom at 357-8352 or e-mail [tom@littleflowerparish.org](mailto:tom@littleflowerparish.org) by **Wednesday, August 13<sup>th</sup>** to let him know you are coming.

**The Youth Room** will be open on Sunday, July 27<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> after the 6:00 p.m. Mass. Plan to stop in after Mass. **Incoming eighth graders** are welcome at all activities!

**STEWARDSHIP OF TIME, TALENT AND TREASURE**  
**YOUR GIFTS TO GOD AND PARISH**

NEW FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING 7/1/03

Weekly Budget Goal	\$ 13,200.00
Collection of July 19 <sup>th</sup> and 20 <sup>th</sup>	\$ 10,066.90
Year to Date Budget Goal	\$ 39,600.00
Year to Date Collections	\$ 34,587.06
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July is usually a low month for Sunday Collections due to vacations. We are hopeful that as parishioners return from vacation, we will make up this shortfall to get our fiscal year off to a good start. Thank you for your generosity and commitment to your weekly contribution.

Home Improvement Fund

May Contributions	\$ 2,340.47
June Contributions	\$ 2,814.75
July Contributions to date	\$ 1,945.00