



Dear Parish Family,

First, I would like to thank everyone who attended all or part of the Little Flower Novena. It seemed to me that attendance was good. Also, I must thank all those who worked to make the Novena possible.

Second, you will soon receive in the mail information about our *Godparent* program. You may remember that Fr. Vince started this program last year to assist Little Flower families who needed financial assistance to attend Little Flower School. When I am at school, I am impressed by how good our children are. Although much of their goodness is the result of the families from which they come, I have to believe that Little Flower School contributes to their goodness.

As we celebrate the sacrament of the anointing of the sick this weekend, we want to remember in prayer all the elderly and sick of our parish. Also, today is Respect Life Sunday. We want to pray today for an end to abortion and for a greater respect for all human life at every stage of life.

Finally, in my homily last week, I pointed to the many ministries of our parish as evidence of the life and vitality of the parish. Saturday, October 18<sup>th</sup>, after the 5:00 p.m. Mass will be our appreciation dinner for all parish volunteers. Please mark your calendars.

Have a great week.  
fr. bob

**THANK YOU.....***We wish to express our thanks for prayers, Masses, cards and visits during the illness and passing of Pearl Olvey. Special thanks to Father Joe Riedman for the masses at Wildwood and the rosary at the mortuary; to Fr. Vince for the Resurrection Mass and tribute to Pearl's life; to Tom Costello for the selection of the music and songs; and to the servers. Also, we thank the Ladies club for a wonderful luncheon --- Mary Ann Olvey and Family.*



**Be on the look out for the new 2003/04 PHONE DIRECTORY** which should be delivered by mail to your home soon. If you have not received yours by **October 15<sup>th</sup>**, call Judi at the Parish Center. Please inform us if there are omissions or errors in the directory so we may update for next year.

**LIFE CHAIN**

Those from our parish who wish to participate in the Life Chain next Sunday, October 5th from 2:30 - 3:30 PM are to gather in our designated area on the west side of Meridian Street beginning at 16th Street and extending 1 1/2 blocks north .

**ROSARY CRUSADE**

On the weekend of October 11th and 12th, you will have the opportunity to sign up for the Rosary Crusade. If you have any questions, call Dorothy Moody @ 894-4134. Hope you will join us in prayer.

Sponsored by the Respect Life Committee.



**ALL LIFE IS SACRED**

Catholic women suffering from the aftermath of abortion are invited to call Sister Diane at 317-236-1521 to learn about Project Rachel and Rachel's Companions in the Archdiocese. Begin the journey of healing and peace with a phone call.

**CALLS ARE CONFIDENTIAL.**

**MASSES FOR THE WEEK OCTOBER 6 - 12**

- 6 October Monday**  
7:00 a.m. Tom Reckley by Mr. and Mrs. Louis Williams  
5:30 p.m. Robert McMahon, Sr. by The McMahon Family
- 7 October Tuesday**  
8:30 a.m.. Laura Whysong by The Merge Family  
**5:30 p.m. Communion Service**
- 8 October Wednesday**  
**7:00 a.m. Communion Service**  
11:00 a.m. Margaret Weberpal by Margaret Flack  
5:30 p.m. John Foor by Mr. & Mrs. Frank Schussler, Mr. & Mrs. Martin O'Hara and Mrs. LaVerne Mercurio
- 9 October Thursday**  
8:30 a.m. Bernice Borton by Elizabeth Murphy  
**5:30 p.m. Communion Service**
- 10 October Friday**  
8:30 a.m. Mike Duffy by The Duffy Family  
5:30 p.m. Scott Gorton by The Gorton Family
- 11 October Saturday**  
**8:30 a.m. Communion Service**  
**Vigil – Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
5:00 p.m. William McAtee
- 12 October Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
8:30 a.m. Phyllis Carson by Grace Stites  
10:30 a.m. For The Parish  
6:00 p.m. Catherine Mertz by Susie Shields and Family

**PARISH EVENTS - OCTOBER 5 - 12**

<b>Monday</b>	Scout Room	3:15 pm	Girl Scout #606
	Social Hall	6:00 pm	Boys Basketball Sign Up
	Scout Room	6:30 pm	Tigers
	St. Patrick	7:00 pm	SVDP
	St. Therese	6:45 pm	Womens' Prayer Group
<b>Tuesday</b>	Parish Ctr.	9:30 am	Mission Sewing
	Holy Family	7:00 pm	Girl Scout Leaders Mtg.
	Scout Room	7:00 pm	Bears
	St. Patrick	7:30 pm	RCIA
	Church	7:30 pm	Adult Choir
<b>Wednesday</b>	St. Patrick	9:00 am	Bible Study
	Social Hall	6:30 pm	Cheerleading/Football Pix
	Holy Family	6:00 pm	PTO Board Meeting
	St. Therese	7:00 pm	Pastoral Parish Council
<b>Thursday</b>	Scout Room	6:30 pm	Tigers
	<b>Social Hall</b>	<b>7:30 pm</b>	<b>LF Athletic Association</b>
	Holy Family	7:00 pm	AA Pot Luck Dinner
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Social Hall</b>	<b>5 – 6 pm</b>	<b>Market Day Pick Up</b>
	Holy Family	7:00 pm	Webelos I and II
	Scout Room	7:00 pm	Wolf
<b>Saturday</b>	St. Therese	7:00 am	Mens Prayer Group
	At Weekend	Masses	Rosary Crusade Sign Up
<b>Sunday</b>	St. Patrick	8:30 am	Childrens Liturgy
	St. Therese	8:30 am	Nursery – Up to Age 4 yrs.
	School	9:30 am	Religious Ed. – Kdg. – 7 <sup>th</sup>
	Social Hall	9:30 am	Coffee and Donuts
	St. Therese	Noon	GA



**PTO HOBBY SHOW**

The Little Flower Hobby Show will be held on Saturday, November 8<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 A.M. to Noon in the Social Hall. All school and parish families are invited to have their children in grades Kdg. through 8<sup>th</sup> to participate. Entry forms are available at school and the Parish Center. Call Sandy Clegg – 351-9432 or Collette Williamson at 356-6918 for details and with the number from your family attending.

**WINNERS!!!**

Many thanks to those who helped to make the Ladies Club Fall Card Party a success. Thanks to Dorothy Meier for her expertise in helping with the candy table and Isabella Mathias for help with the “Next To New”. Winners of the raffles were: Gertrude Jones – 13” TV; Kathleen White - \$50; Adeline Batten – toastmaster toaster; and Gerald Parent – the celtic cross sun catcher. See you all at the Spring Card Party on Friday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**SCECINA TOWN HALL MEETING**

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15 – SMHS CAFETERIA**

The Seccina Board of Directors invites current and prospective parents, students, and friends to a TOWN HALL meeting. Principal Rick Ruhl and board members will provide important updates on the financial situation and the search for a new president as well as the upcoming 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration. Come share your thoughts and suggestions as we work together to support our school and make plans for the future.

Please Help!



Little Flower St. Vincent de Paul Coat Drive will be coming soon. Get those coats - both adult and child - ready. More news will be coming soon on when and where to bring your donated coats. Both new and gently used coats are needed. The cold winter months will soon be here. Help us to help the needy.

**BOYS BASKETBALL SIGN UP  
MONDAY, OCTOBER 6<sup>TH</sup> – 6:00 P.M  
SOCIAL HALL**

- Sign up for boys basketball
- A parents’ mandatory meeting will be held
- Coaches interviews at 7:30 p.m.



Call Randy Herrman for info. – 862-0742

**LITTLE FLOWER SPORTS PICTURES**

**CHEERLEADING AND FOOTBALL PICTURES** will be taken Wednesday, October 8<sup>th</sup> in the Social Hall

**BE SURE TO WEAR YOUR UNIFORMS**

Call Randy Herrman for details – 862-0742



**VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

If you are 55 or older – the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) at the University of Indianapolis will match your gifts and talents with agencies in the community who need volunteers. If you would like to mentor a homeless person, a student, or a child or are interested in respite and health care for the elderly, disabled children and adults – the RSVP can connect you with these possibilities. RSVP also offers assistance in homeland security, literacy, and care giving. For more details, call Kyle Ciresi – 788-6118 or Stephanie Arnold – 788-6119/

**LIFT CHAIR AVAILABLE**

We have a lift chair available for adoption! This donated chair gives a "boost" when getting up for those who need a little assistance. If you or someone you know could use a lift chair, please call Georgia at the Parish Center – 357-8352.

**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! Our annual Parish Appreciation Dinner for all parish volunteers will be on Saturday, October 18<sup>th</sup> after the 5:00 p.m. Mass.** This is our opportunity to recognize all of you who give so much of your time, talent and treasure to make our parish great! Please plan to attend and allow us to say “thanks” in this small way. RSVP to the Parish Center with the number from your family attending.

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

The Youth Room will be open after the 6:00 p.m. Mass on Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup> until 8:30 p.m. Please plan to stop in.

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

Weekly Budget Goal	\$ 13,200.00
Collection of September 20 <sup>th</sup> and 21 <sup>st</sup>	\$ 11,367.80
Year to Date Budget Goal	\$ 171,600.00
Year to Date Collections	\$ 159,139.60
DEFICIT TO DATE	\$ (12,460.40)

**Home Improvement Fund**

June Contributions	\$ 2,814.75
July Contributions	\$ 2,143.00
August Contributions	\$ 2,465.50
September Contributions (to date)	\$ 1,699.00

**We sprung another leak! Luckily the home improvement fund was available to repair a small leak in the school roof over the gym. Thank you for your generosity!**

*The good steward knows that every day is a gift from God, to be lived with joy and thanksgiving. May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives. Watch for news in the mail on our upcoming annual stewardship activities!*