

# THE JOURNEY WITHIN ... The Experience Of Lent

Dear Parish Family:

Today's readings remind us that Lent is a journey. I hope your journey has begun well.

Today's Gospel describes the devil tempting Jesus. Most of us begin Lent with the best of intentions. We typically give something up, commit ourselves to praying more, and choose something good to do during Lent. Unfortunately, we do not always keep our Lenten resolutions. For example, one day we cannot resist that piece of chocolate pie. This is when the devil tempts us. He tempts us to give up. In other words, even if we do not keep our Lenten resolutions perfectly, as long as we do not give up, we are answering Jesus' call to prayer, fasting, and almsgiving and growing into the likeness of the risen Christ.

I also encourage you to use the coin banks being distributed by the Gabriel Ministry. I am told that these proceeds have previously totaled in the area of \$5,000.00. The funds will be divided to help support the Gabriel Ministry (our ministry to assist women in crisis pregnancies), the Respect Life Ministry, and, for the first time, the ministry of Fr. Dave Sullivan in the Philippines. Please help in any way you can.

Have a great week.  
fr. bob

## Lenten Schedule

**PENANCE SERVICE MONDAY, MARCH 15<sup>TH</sup>  
LITTLE FLOWER CHURCH – 7:00 P.M.**

Join with our neighbor church, Our Lady of Lourdes, in this service to be held at Little Flower. A calendar will be available at each of the church doors with dates for other parishes on the east side and a schedule of Little Flower Lenten, Holy Week and Easter observances.

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Anyone interested in participating in a dress rehearsal of the new procedures before attending a Mass can come to a voluntary meeting on Saturdays March 6th or March 13th, at 1:00 p.m. in the church. We will cover the new changes and answer any questions or concerns. If anyone has mistakes or changes to their schedules, phone numbers, or addresses: please contact Ron Sharp at 356-3488 or email at [giboshihoosier@aol.com](mailto:giboshihoosier@aol.com)

**SPECIAL COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND  
"AID THE CHURCH IN CENTRAL  
AND EASTERN EUROPE"**

Please support the growth, restoration and spiritual development of these people who are replanting the roots of faith after three generations of religious persecution.

Please use the envelope provided in the regular envelope packet.

### Our Sympathy

William Galluzzi, former parishioner and husband of Roberta, died Monday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> and was buried from the parish on Thursday, February 26<sup>th</sup>.

### MASSES FOR THE WEEK MARH 1 - 7

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| <b>1 March</b>   | <b>Monday</b>                                      |
| 7:00 a.m.        | Tom Reckley by Butch Branson                       |
| 5:30 p.m.        | Robert McMahon by The McMahon Family               |
| <b>2 March</b>   | <b>Tuesday</b>                                     |
| 8:30 a.m.        | Harold Miller by Bob and Catherine Dangler         |
| <b>5:30 p.m.</b> | <b>Communion Service</b>                           |
| <b>3 March</b>   | <b>Wednesday</b>                                   |
| 7:00 a.m.        | <b>Communion Service</b>                           |
| <b>1:00 p.m.</b> | <b>Rosewalk</b> – Katie Eaton by Mike Sauer        |
| 5:30 p.m.        | Anna Nhat by S.C.                                  |
| <b>4 March</b>   | <b>Thursday</b>                                    |
| 8:30 a.m.        | Beulah Centracchio by The LF Ladies Club           |
| <b>5:30 p.m.</b> | <b>Communion Service</b>                           |
| <b>5 March</b>   | <b>Friday</b>                                      |
| 8:30 a.m.        | In Thanksgiving for Favors Received by Joe Sauer   |
| <b>6:00 p.m.</b> | <b>Stations of the Cross and Communion Service</b> |
| <b>6 March</b>   | <b>Saturday</b>                                    |
| 8:30 a.m.        | Dottie Kirby by Bob and Catherine Dangler          |
|                  | <b>Vigil – Second Sunday of Lent</b>               |
| 5:00 p.m.        | Georgia Lee Solberg by The Solberg Family          |
| <b>7 March</b>   | <b>Sunday – Second Sunday of Lent</b>              |
| 8:30 a.m.        | For The Parish                                     |
| 10:30 a.m.       | Charles and Mary O'Hara by Jim O'Hara              |
| 6:00 p.m.        | Ken Tanaka by Mr. and Mrs. Michael DeSanto         |

### THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH - MARCH 1 - 7

<b>Monday</b>	St. Therese	9:15 a.m.	Familia
	Scout Rm.	3:15 p.m.	Girl Scout #606
	St. Therese	6:30 p.m.	1 <sup>st</sup> Communion Prep.
	St. Jerome	6:45 p.m.	Disciples in Mission Spalding
	Scout Rm.	7:00 p.m.	Bears
	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	SVDP
	John 23 <sup>rd</sup> .	7:00 p.m.	Disciples in Mission – Lyons
<b>Tuesday</b>	St. Patrick	1:00 p.m.	Apologetics Class
	Scout Rm.	7:00 p.m.	Bears
	John 23 <sup>rd</sup> .	7:00 p.m.	Apologetics Class
	St. Therese	7:15 p.m.	RCIA
	Church	7:30 p.m.	Choir
<b>Wednesday</b>	St. Therese	9:00 a.m.	Bible Study Group
	Holy Fam.	5:30 p.m.	Little Flower Girls' Club
	St. Therese.	7:00 p.m.	Respect Life Committee
	St. Jeome	7:00 p.m.	Art & Environment Com.
	John 23 <sup>rd</sup> .	7:00 p.m.	Disciples in Mission - Sharp
	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	School Commission
<b>Thursday</b>	St. Therese	1:00 p.m.	Disciples in Mission Sitzman
	<b>Social Hall</b>	<b>6:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Ladies Club Pitch-In</b>
	Scout Rm.	6:30 p.m.	Tigers
	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	Little Rock Study Group
	St. Jerome	7:00 p.m.	Disciples in Mission – Miller
	St. Therese	7:00 p.m.	AA
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Social Hall</b>	<b>4:30- 7:30p</b>	<b>LENTEN FISH FRY</b>
	Holy Fam.	7:00 p.m.	Webelos 1 and 2
	Scout Rm.	7:00 p.m.	Wolf 1 and 2
<b>Saturday</b>	St. Therese	7:00 a.m.	Men's Prayer Group
	St. Therese	2:00 p.m.	Blue Army
<b>Sunday</b>	St. Therese	8:30 a.m.	Nursery – Up to Age 4 yrs.
	St. Patrick	8:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy
	School	9:30 a.m.	Religious Ed. – Kdg – 7 <sup>th</sup>
	Social Hall	9:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts
	St. Therese	7:00 p.m.	Disciples In Mission –Conder

**Margaret Marie, daughter of Cari (Roembke) and Tim Gallagher, was baptized on Sunday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>. Congratulations to all!**

**FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT**



**LADIES CLUB PITCH-IN**  
**MARCH 4 - SOCIAL HALL - 6:30 P.M.**  
**ENTERTAINMENT BY SCOTTY GRANT**  
**BRING A DISH OR FINGER FOOD**

**VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED**..... to help seniors prepare tax returns. If you are a professional who can spare an afternoon or evening, please call Georgia at the Parish Center.

**LENTEN FISH FRY**



Thanks to the Pastoral Council Members who helped with our first Fish Fry this past Friday, and of course to the ladies of the Ladies Club who prepare our desserts each week. Let's make week "2" even bigger! Serving takes place between 4:30 p.m and 7:30 p.m. in the School Cafeteria. PLEASE, invite your friends. \*\*\* We need your delicious desserts again this Friday. Please bring them to the Social Hall between 4:00 and 5:00pm

**SUMMERFEST 2004**

Don't forget the Little Flower Rummage Sale when doing your spring cleaning. Good used items (**NO clothing please**) are needed. Items can be dropped off at the Parish Center.

**Call Debbie Belles at 359-4288 if you have questions.**



**The winners of the chili cook-off were:**  
**1st place--Susan Spilly-Lee, 2nd place--Susan and Bill Luken, and 3rd place--Donna Moorman.**

**COOKS NEEDED!** ..... We are looking for a few Marthas willing to help provide meals to parishioners and their families who are recovering from surgery, illness, or injury. This is a great way to help families feel the support of the Little Flower community during difficult times (remember the phrase "*nothing says lovin' like something from the oven*"). If you'd like to help out or have any questions, call Georgia at the Parish Center.

**TRASH BAGS AVAILABLE AT COFFEE & DONUTS**

On the third Sunday of the month in March and April, trash bags will be available at Coffee and Donuts following the 8:30 a.m. Sunday Mass. Also at Market Day Pick Up on Fridays, March 19<sup>th</sup> and April 16<sup>th</sup> from 5 - 6:00 p.m. You may purchase by cash or checks, payable to "Little Flower PTO". For more information call Jennifer Hadley-357-5206 .

**SCECINA HIGH SCHOOL PRESENTS "ANNIE"**  
**MARCH 5 AND 6<sup>TH</sup> - 7:00 P.M. - GYM**

**Reserved seating - \$10 & General Admission is \$8.**  
**Call Scecina School Office for tickets - 356-6377 ext. 1201.**

**IT'S A CONTEST!**

**NAME OUR NEWSLETTER** is your chance to help us come up with a great name for our parish newsletter. Ideas can be submitted by e-mail to [lfparishnews@yahoo.com](mailto:lfparishnews@yahoo.com) or in writing to the attention of Debbie Burks at the Parish Center. Please include your name and phone number. The Stewardship Commission will decide on a winner and award \$50.00 in Scrip certificates good at Outback, Bonefish Grill, or Carrabas to the winner. **Deadline for entries is March 3<sup>rd</sup>**, so put your thinking caps on!



**SAVE \$100!**

**If you register students in grades K - 8 by April 9, the**

**fee is \$100 per child.** Any student registering during this period will be guaranteed a place next year. Any late registration will not be guaranteed. After April 9<sup>th</sup>, the registration fee is **\$200 per student.** For any new student, there is a one-time **\$50 "New Student Registration Fee."** There are no other fees during the school year (all field trips, books, etc. are included). **There will be a meeting March 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. to discuss changes in our Preschool program.** Registration for Preschool will begin after that meeting. **To register, or for more information, contact the School Office at 353-2282.** \*\*\* PLEASE NOTE: **If you received and kept a yard sign last year advertising Little Flower registration, please put it out again. The School is now open for registration, and we want to get the word out.**

**ATTENTION MEIJER SHOPPERS!**

Don't forget that if you spend over \$100.00 in any given month at Meijer, Little Flower will receive a percentage of your purchases. Applications are available at the church doors, or on-line at [www.meijer.com/rewards](http://www.meijer.com/rewards). This is not a credit card, but simply a card to track your purchases so Little Flower can receive a rebate. The Organization Code for Little Flower is 333533. All proceeds will benefit the Little Flower School Godparent Program, to provide tuition assistance for those who need it.

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

**CONFIRMATION DATES**

**February 29<sup>th</sup>** Disciple in Mission begins - 7:15 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. in the Parish Center.  
**March 7<sup>th</sup>** Disciples in Mission - 7:15 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. in the Parish Center.

**Disciples in Mission** for teens will meet in the Parish Center at 7:15 p.m. on Sunday evenings during Lent, beginning February 29<sup>th</sup>. This is part of the requirement for the confirmation preparation program. However all youth in grades 8 through 12 are encouraged to attend - **Parents** - encourage your older teens to attend!

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

Weekly Budget Goal	\$ 13,200.00
Collection of February 21 and 22	\$ 11,519.60
Year to Date Budget Goal	\$ 448,800.00
Year to Date Collections	\$ 435,862.51
<b>DEFICIT - YEAR TO DATE</b>	<b>\$ (12,937.49)</b>

**The calculations of "year to date deficit" was incorrect in last week's bulletin. The error has been corrected.**

*THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY*

**Home Improvement Fund**

October Contributions	\$ 2,244.10
November Contributions	\$ 1,891.50
December Contributions	\$ 2,220.50
January Contributions	\$ 2,202.00
February Contributions (to date)	\$ 2,051.00