



Dear Parish Family,

Today begins the most sacred week of the entire Church year. The Liturgies of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday are the most important Liturgies of the Church year. Therefore, I encourage you to attend all of them, if possible.

On Holy Thursday, the Liturgy of the Lord's Supper will be at 7:00 p.m., followed by Eucharistic Adoration in church until 10:00 p.m. At this Mass, we commemorate the institution of the Eucharist, the institution of the priesthood, and Christ's commandment to love and serve others. [The Adoration Chapel will be closed from 7:00 p.m. on Holy Thursday until after the Noon Mass on Easter Sunday.]

On Good Friday, the Celebration of the Lord's Passion will be at 2:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross will be at 6:00 p.m. There will be no Communion service at the Stations of the Cross.

On Holy Saturday, the Easter Vigil will be celebrated at 8:00 p.m. This is the most important Liturgy in the Church year. At this Liturgy, our elect will be baptized (or received into the Church) and will receive First Communion and Confirmation. The Liturgy also includes the blessing of the fire and lighting of the Paschal Candle, the Easter Proclamation, the Liturgy of the Word, and the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

Please note that there will be no confessions or 5:00 p.m. Liturgy on Holy Saturday.

There will be three Masses on Easter Sunday morning: 8:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., and 12 Noon. There will be no 6:00 p.m. Mass on Easter Sunday evening.

This Tuesday, the Archbishop will celebrate the Chrism Mass at 7:00 p.m. at SS. Peter & Paul Cathedral. All are invited.

This past Friday was our final fish fry for the year. I want to thank everyone who worked and everyone who attended and encouraged others to attend one or more Fridays. Besides providing needed income, the fish fry was a good community builder both for those who worked and those who attended. It is events such as these that remind us what a wonderful community we have!

Finally, Friday was Alicia Allstatt's last day as our Accounting Clerk. We want to thank her for her dedicated service to the parish. Lisa Gibbons will take her place beginning this Monday. We thank Lisa for accepting this position.

Have a prayerful week!
fr. Bob

IN SYMPATHY

Mary Ellen Schmidt, long-time parishioner and faith-filled servant of Little Flower died March 29 at the St. Paul's Hermitage in Beech Grove. She is survived by Barbara (Buckel) Mathauer, niece, and countless other nieces, nephews, and cousins. We extend our condolences to family and friends.



THE PARISH AND SCHOOL OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY, APRIL 12TH FOR EASTER MONDAY. SCHOOL WILL NOT BE IN SESSION THAT DAY

MASSES FOR THE WEEK - APRIL 5 - 11

- 5 April Monday**
7:00 a.m. **Communion Service**
5:30 p.m. Patrick Doyle by The Quill Family
- 6 April Tuesday**
8:30 a.m. Mary C. O'Brien by Al and Maureen Merkley and Family
5:30 p.m. Communion Service
- 7 April Wednesday**
7:00 a.m. **Communion Service**
5:30 p.m. Tom Reckley by Paul and Georgina Georgescu
- 8 April Thursday - Holy Thursday**
7:00 p.m. Tom Reese by Agnes Reese
- 9 April Friday - Good Friday**
2:00 p.m. **Good Friday Service**
6:00 p.m. **Stations of the Cross**
- 10 April Saturday - Easter Vigil**
8:00 p.m. Bernice Borton by Grace Stites
- 11 April Sunday - Easter Sunday**
8:00 a.m. For The Parish
10:00 a.m. Robert McMahon, Sr. by The McMahon Family
12:00 p.m.. Joseph and Freda Jines by Merrill and Marylyn Blackwell and Family

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH - APRIL 5 - 11

Monday	St. Therese	9:15 a.m.	Familia
	Scout Room	3:15 p.m.	Girl Scout #606
	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	SVDP
Tuesday	Parish Ct.	9:30 a.m.	Mission Sewing
	Holy Fam.	7:00 p.m.	Girl Scout Leaders' Mtg.
	St. Therese	7:00 p.m.	Stewardship Committee
	Church	7:30 p.m.	Choir
Wednesday	St. Therese	9:00 a.m.	Bible Study Group
	St. Therese	7:00 p.m.	Respect Life Comm.
	St. Jerome	7:00 p.m.	Art and Environment
	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	School Commission
	St. Therese	7:00 p.m.	AA
Friday	SCHOOL	NOON	DISMISSAL
Saturday	St. Therese	7:00 a.m.	Men's Prayer Group
	Grounds	10:00 a.m	Easter Egg Hunt
Sunday	St. Therese	8:30 a.m.	Nursery - Up to Age 4 yrs.
	No	Childrens'	Liturgy
	No	Religious	Education

PRO LIFE QUOTE:

"The ultimate injustice of the elimination of the most innocent of all makes abortion the single most shameful crime of human history."

"THE LITTLE FLOWER GARDEN"

Thanks to all those who entered the contest to name our new parish newsletter. **Margie Greene is the big winner with her entry "The Little Flower Garden"**. Margie's entry came complete with names for some of the regular features in the newsletter. Honorable mention goes to Jim and Debbie Burks whose entries will be used for regular feature columns. Please remember to submit information for publication in the first issue to lfparishnews@yahoo.com, or to the Parish Center to the attention of Debbie Burks.

Deadline for submission for the first issue is April 15th.

LF Athletic Association will meet April 15 at 7:30 p.m.

BABY BANKS

PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION



Did you forget to return your bank this weekend? You may drop it off at the Parish Center or School Office before 3:00 p.m. Monday - Friday. The banks are worth \$.55 even if they are empty, so please return them even if they are not full. Thank you for your generosity to the Gabriel Project, Respect Life and Fr. Dave Sullivan's work.

THINK SPRING... THINK SPANISH!

Beginning Wednesday, April 21st, Spanish classes will be offered at Secena H.S. on Monday or Wednesday from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. for 8 weeks. Cost \$65. Call Judith Nichols for info. – 356-2608.

EASTER EGG HUNT



ALL PRESCHOOLERS THROUGH AGE 7 ARE INVITED TO BRING A BASKET AND JOIN IN THE SEARCH FOR EGGS ON SATURDAY, APRIL 10TH AT 10:00 A.M. ON THE PARISH GROUNDS.

Sponsored by the Little Flower Athletic Association

LADIES CLUB NEWS



EASTER FLOWER MEMORIAL DEADLINE IS THIS MONDAY. Dedicate a plant for \$8.50 in memory of a deceased loved one. Call Mary Martha Costello for details – 352-0704.

DEADLINE FOR ORDERING BEDDING PLANTS IS THIS MONDAY. Order forms are available at the Church doors and Parish Center. Call Stacy Bucherl for information - 353-9160.

BAKE SALE will be the weekend of April 17/18. Fire up your ovens to send in your specialty. Dorothy Meier is stepping down from managing these events. We thank her for the excellent job through the years. Think about chairing or arranging a group of ladies to organize this fundraiser twice a year. If interested call Eileen Walters if you are – 353-9243.

APOLOGETICS CLASS



Learn how to explain your Catholic faith clearly, defend it charitably, and share it confidently in this class being offered here at Little Flower every Thursday for 10 weeks from 7 – 8:30 p.m. beginning April 15th. Each week will focus on a different topic and each participant will have their own book to reference so you don't have to attend all 10 classes to keep up. The cost is \$10. Call Teresa Heffernan – 787-0368 to register and reserve your book.

CRITERION UPDATE

To those who have returned their annual subscription fees, thank you! We have received \$6,825 to help offset our annual charge of \$14,000. If you have not yet had the opportunity, please consider helping with your Criterion subscription contribution. The cost is \$22 per year. If you have misplaced your envelope, extras are available in the plastic rack at each of the church doors. Envelopes can be placed in the regular collection.

SAVE \$100 ON SCHOOL REGISTRATION!

You have until this Friday, April 9th to save \$100 on your registration for students in grades K – 8. Any student registering by this date will be guaranteed a place next year. Any late registration will not be guaranteed. After April 9th, the registration fee is \$200 per student. To register, contact the School Office at 353-2282.

BIG NEWS FOR SUMMERFEST 2004! RADIO DISNEY AND THEIR PRIZE WHEEL WILL BE AT THE FESTIVAL ON SUNDAY AFTERNOON, JUNE 6TH! MORE INFORMATION WILL BE AVAILABLE SOON REGARDING THIS EXCITING DEVELOPMENT!

Please call the following people to make donations.

Rummage Sale	Debbie Belles	359-4288
Silent Auction	Mary Martha Costello	352-0704
	Debbie Burks	353-1192

You may leave donations for the above at Parish Center.

**BUS TRIP TO CINCY FOR VATICAN EXHIBIT
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14th**

LEAVING PARKING LOT - 7:30 A.M. RETURNING - 4:30 P.M.



The Adventuresome Group will travel by bus to the Cincinnati Museum Center at Union Terminal for the Vatican exhibition. To reserve a seat(s), you need to respond by Wednesday, April 7th.

Cost is \$13.50 for the museum fee. *Check payable to LF Church.* You are responsible for your lunch at the Food Court. The bus is a courtesy of Shirley Brothers. Call Parish Center – 357-8352.

PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN! We have expanded the options for preschool. Four year olds can attend three half days, five half days, five full days, or some combination thereof. Three year olds will continue to have a Tuesday/Thursday half. Tuition rates are \$300 per half day (i.e. 3 yr. olds pay \$600, five day half day is \$1,500.). Call School Office – 353-2282.



ATTENTION PARISH YOUTH - GRADES 8 - 12

CONFIRMATION DATES:

- April 4th** Disciples in Mission – 7:15 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. in the Parish Center.
- May 2nd** Session 7 for candidates and team only, 7:15 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. in the Parish Center.

The Youth Room will be open after the 6:00 p.m. Mass on Sunday, April 25th until 8:30 p.m. Stop in for a while after Mass.

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

Weekly Budget Goal	\$ 13,200.00
Collection of March 20th and 21st	\$ 11,045.51
Year to Date Budget Goal	\$ 514,800.00
Year to Date Collections	\$ 501,425.08
DEFICIT – YEAR TO DATE	\$ (13,374.92)

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

Home Improvement Fund

January Contributions	\$ 2,202.00
February Contributions	\$ 2,216.00
March Contributions (to date)	\$ 1,943.00

SUMMERFEST 2004