



**Dear Parish Family,**

The parish staff and I want to wish all of you a most blessed and joyful Easter. Today we celebrate Jesus' resurrection from the dead.

However, if we have entered into the mystery of Jesus' dying and rising through prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, today we also celebrate our own resurrection to new life in Christ.

Congratulations to our neophytes (all those who received sacraments of initiation at the Easter Vigil). We welcome them as members of our parish family. We hope they will become active members of our parish community. Thanks to Lisa Gibbons and the RCIA team who have walked with them on their journey of faith since September.

Special thanks to Teresa Eckrich, the choir, and the instrumentalists who make our Holy Week and Easter Liturgies so beautiful. To serve as a music minister requires a major time commitment, especially at this time of year. Thank you!

Also, special thanks to Mary Martha Costello and the Arts and Environment Committee for all their work decorating the church for all the special Liturgies. Thanks to Ron Sharp and the Eucharistic Ministers, Pat Gandolph and the Lectors, Lisa Gibbons and the Servers, Ruth Axsom and the Greeters, and Ed Axsom and the Ushers.

Finally, the School Commission will discern new members of the School Commission on Wednesday, May 3. The School Commission helps to formulate long-term plans and policies for our school and works to market the school. If you might be interested in serving your parish and school in this capacity, you are invited to attend the School Commission meeting on Wednesday, May 3, at 7:00 p.m. in the St. Patrick Room.

Once again, have a blessed and joyous Easter.

fr. bob

In this season of new life--and in this time of discussion in Congress toward increasingly restrictive immigration laws--let us reflect on these thoughts from *Welcoming the Stranger Among Us*, a Pastoral Letter issued by the U.S. Bishops in 2000:

*"The new immigrants call most of us back to our ancestral heritage as descendants of immigrants and to our baptismal heritage as members of the Body of Christ...As Catholics we are called to take concrete measures to overcome the misunderstanding, ignorance, competition, and fear that stand in the way of genuinely welcoming the stranger in our midst and enjoying the communion that is our destiny as Children of God."*



Please welcome into our Christian Community Darrien Marie, daughter of Michael and Ramona (Stevens) McDonald baptized on April 9, 2006.

**CORRECTION!!!** The delivery date for the Ladies Club Bedding Plant sale is on **Thursday, May 4<sup>th</sup>**.

Did you forget to return your baby bank? We will collect them again at all of the Masses next weekend or you may return them to the parish center or school at anytime. Remember - they are worth \$1.00 even if they are empty so please get them back to us. Thanks for your support of the Gabriel Project, Respect Life Committee and victims of Hurricane Katrina



**MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF APR 17 – APR 23, 2006**

- 17 Apr Monday**  
7:00 am Communion Service  
5:30 pm Communion Service
- 18 Apr Tuesday**  
8:30 am Dorothy Meier by Bob and Bobbie Lawless  
5:30 pm Communion Service
- 19 Apr Wednesday**  
7:00 am Communion Service  
5:30 pm Lucille Carroll by Sr. Lavonne Long
- 20 Apr Thursday**  
8:30 am Communion Service  
1:30 pm **Greentree** – Patrick Gaughan  
5:30 pm Communion Service
- 21 Apr Friday**  
8:30 am Communion Service  
5:30 pm Christopher Barker and Francis Quarto by Jim and Pat Dunn
- 22 Apr Saturday -**  
8:00 am Communion Service  
5:00 pm Clifford Hassfurder by The Hassfurder Family
- 23 Apr Sunday – Second Sunday of Easter**  
8:30 am For the People  
10:30 am John and Staley by Charley and Pat Withem  
6:00 pm Kathleen Pfar by Sara Joplin



**Dates to Remember**

**April 17 - 23, 2006**

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP
<b>Monday</b>	<b>PARISH</b>	<b>OFFICE</b>	<b>CLOSED</b>
	St. Patrick	7:00 pm	SVDP
	St. Therese	7:00 pm	Prayer Group
	Scout Room	7:30 pm	Scout Troop #1323
	John 23rd	7:30 pm	Festival Meeting
<b>Tuesday</b>	Parish Center	7:00 pm	RCIA
	Church	7:30 pm	Choir
<b>Wednesday</b>	St. Patrick	9:30 am	Bible Study Group
	Duffy Hall	7:00 pm	Parent Meeting
<b>Thursday</b>	St. Therese	8:00 pm	AA
<b>Friday</b>	St. Therese	6:30 pm	Nicotine Anonymous
<b>Saturday</b>	St. Therese	7:00 am	Men's Prayer Group
	Church and Parish Center	9:15 am – 12:00 pm	1 <sup>st</sup> Communion Retreat
	Duffy Hall	1:00 pm - 3:00 pm	Ladies Club Tea
	Duffy Hall	7 - 10 pm	Middle School Dance
<b>Sunday</b>	Church	8:30 am	Children's Liturgy
	Parish Center	8:30 am	Nursery
	Duffy Hall	9:30 am	Coffee & Donuts
	School	9:30 am	Religious Education

**EASTER SUNDAY  
THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD**

**The parish office will be closed on Easter Monday, Monday April 17<sup>th</sup>.**

**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**

The Sunday following Easter is Divine Mercy Sunday, a day of great grace from the merciful heart of Our Lord. At 3 pm that afternoon, the Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be recited in the adoration chapel. Please join us!

**FIRST COMMUNION NEWS**

If you have not turned in your pew banner please do so as soon as possible. Banners can be sent to school with your child or dropped off at the Parish Center.

April 22<sup>nd</sup> is our 1<sup>st</sup> Communion Retreat from 9:15 am-12 pm. We will meet in the Church for practice. At least one parent should attend this retreat.

Parent chaperones are needed for our field trip to the Benedict Inn, on Friday, April 28<sup>th</sup>. Please call Lisa at the parish center for more information.

As a way of saying "thank you" to Respect Life volunteers who have helped in any way, The Respect Life Committee has asked Fr Bob to give a blessing. This will be done at the Masses on the weekend of April 22-23. When asked, please stand in place and receive this blessing from Father, and also from God, the giver of life.

**Craft Fair Session**

There is going to be a working session on the crafts for the craft fairs on Wednesday, April 19, from 5:30 – 7 pm. We will have things for you to work on or bring you own ideas/materials. Hope to see new faces. Come join us in the parish center. If you can't be there at 5:30 come late. Any questions Eileen Walters 353-9243.

There is a limited number of photo directories available at the parish office on weekdays between 9:00am and 1:00pm. If you did not have your photograph taken for the directory, the cost is \$10.00.

**OUR CONDOLENCES**

- To the family of Lucille Risk, grandmother of Toni Owens and great-grandmother of Miranda Owens.
- To parishioner Anna Werner and her family on the death of her husband Bob.
- To the family of former parishioner William Turner.

**THANKS**

The fish fry results are in and they are outstanding. Profits which supplement the parish operating budget were at a record level. Thanks again to all the parish organizations who helped each week, to all who provided and served desserts, and for the many volunteers who helped out, **especially those who helped out on multiple weeks.** Most of all, thanks to our supportive parishioners and their families and friends who came and enjoyed good food and great fellowship.

**AFFORDABLE PRIVATE HIGH SCHOOL**

You are invited to attend Providence Cristo Rey High School information session on Tuesday, April 18, from 6-8 pm at 75 N. Belleview Place, Indianapolis, IN 46222. For more information contact Sr. Stacy at 592-4069 or visit us on the web at [www.providencecristorey.org](http://www.providencecristorey.org).

**FESTIVAL NEWS**

**SUMMERFEST 2006 - June 2, 3, and 4.**

**Rummage sale donations** – Call Debbie Belles at 357-4288 or drop off at the parish center.

**BUSINESS SPONSORSHIPS** are available for the festival. Businesses will benefit by special signage and announcements throughout the festival acknowledging their sponsorship. Business sponsorships are \$200.00 each. If you know of someone who might be interested in this opportunity, ask them to call Tom at the parish center

**YARD SIGNS - DO YOU LIVE ON A BUSY STREET?** Call Jeannie at the Parish Center at 357-8352 if you are willing to display a yard sign advertising the festival. Please call the parish center even if you had a sign last year, so we know it is ok to place one in your yard again.

**On the weekends of 4/22-4/23 and 5/6-5/7 you will have the opportunity to sign up to volunteer for SUMMERFEST. Check the sign-up sheets in the gathering area after all Masses on those weekends.**

***FESTIVAL MEETING – MONDAY, APRIL 17<sup>th</sup> AT 7:30 PM IN THE PARISH CENTER***

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

Weekly Budget Goal	\$ 13,400.00
Collection of April 8 <sup>th</sup> and 9 <sup>th</sup>	\$ 14,043.79
Electronic Contribution 4/4 to 4/10	\$ 226.00
Year to Date Budget Goal	\$ 549,400.00
Year to Date Collections	\$ 555,125.03
Year to Date	\$ + 5,725.03

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY**

**Home Improvement Fund**

December Contributions	\$ 1,963.00
January Contributions	\$ 1,270.50
February Contributions	\$ 1,529.00
March Contributions	\$ 1,482.00
April Contributions (to date)	\$ 1,492.00

**OUR CURRENT TOTAL!**

**430 FAMILIES HAVE  
PLEGGED \$838,633.00**



IF YOU HAVE NOT YET PLEDGED, EXTRA CARDS ARE AVAILABLE AT ALL OF THE CHURCH DOORS. MANY FAMILIES HAVE NOT YET MADE A COMMITMENT. WE CAN ONLY DO THIS TOGETHER!

THE BRICKS AND MORTAR TO PRESERVE OUR CHURCH FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS DEPENDS ON YOU MAKING AND MEETING YOUR COMMITMENT TO THIS CAMPAGIN.  
**JOIN US!**

**PARISH WEEK AT ANGELS CORNER CATHOLIC GIFT SHOP**

If you make a purchase at Angels Corner during **April 24 – 29, 2006** on regular stocked items, they will donate 10% of the purchase price back to Little Flower if you mention you are a parish member.