



Dear Parish Family,

The entire parish staff and I want to wish all of you a most blessed and happy New Year. Today we thank God for all the blessings of the past year and ask for his continued blessings in the New Year.

However, today is also the World Day of Prayer for Peace and Justice. Today we pray for peace in the world, especially in the Middle East. However, it is equally important that we pray for justice for all because there can never be lasting peace without justice.

Please continue to pray for Tom Costello's complete and speedy recovery. As you well know, Tom is one of God's greatest blessings to Little Flower parish.

As we make our New Year's resolutions, I would like to suggest one parish New Year's resolution. We frequently read about the rise in incivility within society. We are even seeing this at Little Flower. This past year the number of times callers and visitors to the parish offices have been less than polite and respectful to staff members has increased. Let us make the words of St. Paul one of our resolutions: *have a profound respect for each other.*

Today, let us ask God's blessing upon ourselves, our families, our friends, and our parish:

May the Lord bless us and keep us. **R.** Amen.

May his face shine upon us, and be gracious to us. **R.** Amen.

May he look upon us with kindness, and give us his peace. **R.** Amen.

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Our First Communion preparation is fast approaching. If you have a son or daughter that does not attend Little Flower Catholic School and is in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade, please contact Lisa at the parish office to register for the program.



MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF JAN 2 – 8, 2006

<b>02 Jan</b>	<b>Monday</b>
7:00 am	Communion Service
5:30 pm	Lorene Sheats by Marilyn Brewer
<b>03 Jan</b>	<b>Tuesday –</b>
8:30 am	Intentions of Jim Burke by Denis & Ita Moriarty
5:30 pm	Communion Service
<b>04 Jan</b>	<b>Wednesday –</b>
7:00 am	Communion Service
5:30 pm	Don Spice by Bill Galbreath
<b>05 Jan</b>	<b>Thursday –</b>
8:30 am	Communion Service
1:30 pm	<b>Rosewalk</b> - Betty Wade by Little Flower Ladies Club
5:30 pm	Communion Service
<b>06 Jan</b>	<b>Friday</b>
8:30 am	Communion Service
5:30 pm	Otila Sanchez by Jim and Rita Kriech
<b>07 Jan</b>	<b>Saturday</b>
8:30 am	Communion Service
5:00 pm	<b>Vigil – Epiphany of the Lord</b> James Hilton by Margie Mattson
<b>08 Jan</b>	<b>Sunday – Epiphany of the Lord</b>
8:30 am	For the People
10:30 am	Francis Carrigan by Jeff Wellner
6:00 pm	Willie Rivera by Madelynn Miller

**THE WEEK AHEAD**  
**IN OUR PARISH** Jan 2 – Jan 8, 2006

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP
<b>Monday</b>	<b>PARISH</b>	<b>OFFICE</b>	<b>CLOSED</b>
	St Therese	7:00 pm	Prayer Group
	St Patrick	7:00pm	SVDP
<b>Tuesday</b>	John 23rd	6:30pm	Stewardship Commission
<b>Wednesday</b>	St Patrick	9:30am	Bible Study Group
	St Therese	7:00 pm	Respect Life Committee
	St Patrick	7:00 pm	School Commission
	John 23rd	7:00 pm	Art & Environment
	Gym	7:30 pm	Wrestling Coaches Meeting
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>Resumes</b>	
	St Therese	10:00 am	Moms' Group
	St Patrick	6:30pm	Little Rock Bible Study
	St. Therese	8:00 pm	AA
<b>Friday</b>	St. Therese	6:30 pm	Nicotine Anonymous
<b>Saturday</b>	St. Therese	7:00 am	Mens' Prayer Group
	Duffy Hall	7:00 pm - 10:00 pm	Middle School Dance
<b>Sunday</b>	Parish Center	8:30 am	Nursery
	School	9:30 am - 10:25 am	Religious Education
	Duffy Hall	9:30 am - 11:00 am	Coffee & Donuts
	Parish Center	7:15 pm	Confirmation – Session 5

## THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY MOTHER OF GOD

From the Office of Family Ministries:

**DIVORCE AND BEYOND** A six weeks Divorce and Beyond Program has been scheduled beginning Monday, January 30<sup>th</sup>, through March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2006. The peer ministry program will be held at the Catholic Center, 1400 N. Meridian St in Indianapolis, from 7 pm - 9 pm. The topics for discussion will be the process of divorce, self-image, stress, anger, blame, guilt and loneliness. The cost of the six week session is \$30.00. To register or for more information, contact the OFFICE FOR FAMILY MINISTRIES at 236-1586.



Our most current totals indicate 380 families have pledged \$780,327. Extra pledge cards are available at each of the church doors. If you have not yet returned yours, please do so as soon as possible. We have still not raised sufficient funds to make our necessary repairs. We need everyone to participate to raise the funds necessary.

### ATTENTION PARISH YOUTH (Eighth grade through twelfth grade)

#### CONFIRMATION

Session 5, will be held on January 8, 2006 in the parish center from 7:15 pm until 9:00 pm.. Candidates and Team should attend.

Pledges for Legacy for our Mission are forwarded to the Archdiocesan Office as they are received. You will receive statements as well as instructions for payment of, your pledge from them. Please do not make Legacy for your Mission payments through the Sunday collection

**As pledge cards were processed**, there were some situations where errors may have taken place. **When you receive your first statement from the Archdiocese**, if the amount pledged is incorrect, please call Tom at the parish center. The pledge card had requested the total amount pledged over three years, but it appeared that some may have only written the amount for one year or the amount for one installment payment. If your statement does not reflect your pledge amount, please call as soon as possible. If you made an error in the amount pledged and correct it, it may help our totals!

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

Weekly Budget Goal	\$	13,400.00
Collection of December 24 <sup>th</sup> and 25 <sup>th</sup>	\$	check next week
Electronic Contribution 12/13 to 12/25	\$	check next week
Year to Date Budget Goal	\$	335,000.00
Year to Date Collections	\$	334,479.54
Year to Date	\$	- 520.46

#### *A special note about New Year's*

*Because the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, (is a Holy Day of Obligation), falls on Sunday this year, there could be some negative impact on our income from collections. Please, if at all possible, use the Holy Day and the Sunday envelopes provided in your envelope packets for the collection.*

#### Home Improvement Fund

September Contributions	\$	1,997.00
October Contributions	\$	1,692.25
November Contributions	\$	1,493.00
December Contributions (to date)	\$	1,906.00

Thank you for your continued support.

### NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD Regular Weekend Schedule

Anticipation Mass-Saturday, December 31-5:00PM  
Sunday, January 1-8:30AM, 10:30AM and 6:00PM

SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD  
Anticipation Mass, Saturday, January 7 - 5:00PM  
Sunday, January 8- 8:30 AM, 10:30AM and 6:00PM

PARISH CENTER SCHEDULE  
CLOSED FRIDAY DECEMBER 31 AND MONDAY  
JANUARY 2.

Young Adult Mass  
Sunday, January 8<sup>th</sup>, at 6pm  
Celebrate Mass with your fellow young adult Catholics at Our Lady of The Greenwood, 335 South Meridian Street, Greenwood, IN. Join us afterwards for food and fellowship. Contact [IndyYoungAdultMass@yahoo.com](mailto:IndyYoungAdultMass@yahoo.com) or Matt at 884-0779.

Interested in growing your faith? Please join us at Lumen Dei (Light of God) as we deepen our spiritual walk with Mass, networking with fellow Catholics, a discussion of faith issues and an inspirational talk. Our next meeting will be on Friday, January 13, at 6:30 a.m., at Holy Rosary Catholic Church, 520 Stevens Street, followed by breakfast in the parish hall. Our guest speaker, Sr. Diane Carollo, will be talking about her book, *The Final Choice*, an exciting new book that "brings alive the supernatural struggle between life and death.". Cost of the breakfast for this meeting is \$10 for both members and guests. Please RSVP to [Lumen\\_De@comcast.net](mailto:Lumen_De@comcast.net) by Tuesday, Jan 10. For further information, please visit our website at [www.lumendei.net](http://www.lumendei.net) or call (317) 842-6917.

**HAPPY  
NEW YEAR**

