



**YOUR WAYS, O LORD,
ARE LOVE AND TRUTH,
TO THOSE WHO KEEP YOUR COVENANT.**

Dear Parish Family,

Thanks to all who returned their *bona opera* on Ash Wednesday or today. St. Paul frequently encourages us to support one another in faith. During Lent, let us pray for one another that we will be faithful to our Lenten commitments and that we, as individuals and as a community, will grow into the likeness of Christ this Lent.

With the beginning of Catholic School Week, Little Flower School began accepting registrations for the 2006-2007 school year. This included the re-registration of students already attending Little Flower and the registration of new students.

Last Sunday, *The Indianapolis Star* ran a front-page article discussing all the choices Indianapolis students and parents have when choosing a high school. It suggested that there have never been more choices than today.

I would argue, however, that Catholic Schools are not just one alternative among many. In the blessing of parents at the end of an infant baptism, we pray, "He and his wife will be the first teachers of their children in the ways of faith. May they also be the best of teachers." The primary reason Catholic schools exist is to assist parents fulfill their responsibility to hand on their Catholic Christian faith in a living way to their children.

Little Flower School does this in a number of ways. First, daily prayer and weekly Eucharist are integral parts of student life at Little Flower. Second, formal religious education is part of every school day. Equally importantly, however, our Catholic faith and moral vision are incorporated in every aspect of the curriculum. Finally, we strive to make the Little Flower school community a microcosm of our parish community.

In this time of increased education choice, as a parish let us pray that our parishioners will continue to choose Little Flower School for their children's education.

Please do not forget that during Lent, we will have Stations of the Cross and Communion every Friday evening at 5:30 p.m. Also, please attend our Lenten fish fry from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. each Friday during Lent except Good Friday. This is a great opportunity to socialize with other parishioners. Of course, we would appreciate it if you would invite family, friends, and neighbors. Finally, please mark your calendars for our Lenten Penance Service on Monday, March 20, at 7 p.m. here at Little Flower.

Have a great week.

fr. bob



"Eucharist makes the Risen Christ constantly present, Christ Who continues to give Himself to us, calling us to participate in the banquet of His Body and His Blood." (Pope Benedict XVI 4/20/05)

Consider as part of a Holy Lent making visits to Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. Current open hours are as follows:

SUN MON WED SAT
12MN 2PM 12MN 11AM
7PM 1AM

Anyone interested in an hour in the chapel or acting as a substitute may call Bobbie Lawless at 357-3546.



Mass Intentions

MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF MAR 6 – MAR 13, 2006

- 06 Mar Monday**
7:00 am Communion Service
5:30 pm Marie Mauer by Mildred Mauer
- 07 Mar Tuesday**
8:30 am Dr. John Nohl by Mrs. Theresa Slaton and Class
5:30 pm Communion Service
- 08 Mar Wednesday**
8:30 am Communion Service
11:00 am **Adventuresome Group** - Lucille Teresa Atkins
5:30 pm Communion Service
- 09 Mar Thursday**
8:30 am Communion Service
5:30 pm John T. Boyle, Sr. by The Family
- 10 Mar Friday**
8:30 am Deceased Members of the Spalding Family by Dottie Spalding
5:30 pm Living Stations of the Cross and Communion Service
- 11 Mar Saturday**
8:30 am Loualma Gauss Moon by William and Phyllis Zinser
Vigil – Second Sunday of Lent
5:00 pm Eleanore McCann by Arvina Fuller
- 12 Mar Sunday – Second Sunday of Lent**
8:30 am In Thanksgiving by Jim and Pat Dunn
10:30 am Michael Clifford by Rith Clifford
6:00 pm For the People



Dates to Remember

Mar 6 – 12, 2006

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP
Monday	St. Patrick	7:00 pm	SVDP
	St. Therese	7:00 pm	Prayer Group
	Scout room	7:00 pm	Scout Troop #1323
Tuesday	Sewing Room Basement	9:30 am - 2:30 pm	Mission Sewing
	John 23rd	6:30 pm	Stewardship Commission
	Parish Center	7:00 pm	RCIA
	Church	7:30 pm	Choir
Wednesday	St. Patrick	9:30 am	Bible Study Group
	Church & St. Patrick Room	11:00 am	Adventuresome Group
	St. Therese & Holy Family	6:30 pm	PTO Board
	St. Patrick	7:00 pm	Parish Pastoral Council
Thursday	St. Patrick	6:30 pm	Little Rock Bible Study
	Duffy Hall	7:30 pm	Athletic Assoc
	Holy Family	8:00 pm	AA
	Friday	Duffy Hall	4:30 pm - 7:30 pm
Parish Center		5:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Market Day Pick-up
St. Therese		6:30 pm	Nicotine Anonymous
Saturday	St. Therese	7:00 am	Men's Prayer Group
Sunday	Parish Center	8:30 am	Children's Liturgy
	Parish Center	8:30 am	Nursery
	Duffy Hall	9:30 am	Coffee and Donuts
	School	9:30 am	Religious Education

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

The Adventurousome Group will meet on Wednesday, March 8. We will begin with Mass at 11 am, followed by lunch and a talk on Franciscan Spirituality by Sr. Catherine Raters, O.S.F. All are welcome! Please call the Parish Center to RSVP so we know how much food to prepare.

**Treasuring Womanhood
Catholic Women's Conference 2006**

Women of all ages, mark your calendars! Join us Saturday, April 22nd from 8:00 am - 4:30 pm. at the Indiana Convention Center. Our featured speaker is internationally known apologist Rosalind Moss. Born and raised in the Jewish faith, she converted to Evangelical Protestantism before entering the Catholic Church. Hear her amazing journey into the fullness of the Faith.. To register, send name, address, telephone number and e-mail along with \$35 per registrant. Lunch is included. Make check payable to St. Michael Foundation and mail to Marian Center of Indianapolis, 3356 W. 30th Street, Indianapolis, IN 46222. For more information, call (317) 924-3982.

Could You Help? We are looking for volunteers to provide a meal to families when their loved ones are hospitalized or receiving treatment. Please contact Eileen Wall, 356-4807, if you can donate a dinner a few times throughout the year. This service of loving care and compassion to the families of Little Flower is a blessing to all.

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

The next youth choir practice will be Sunday, March 19 from 7pm until 8:30 pm in church. We need new members, especially eighth and ninth graders!

Youth room will be open on Sunday March 26th beginning after the 6pm Mass, until 8:30 pm. Plan to stop in.

CONFIRMATION

The final session for candidates and sponsors will begin at the 6pm Mass on Sunday March 12th and conclude at 9pm.

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

Weekly Budget Goal	\$ 13,400.00
Collection of February 25 th and 26 th	\$ 11,057.74
Electronic Contribution 2/21 to 2/27	\$ 191.00
Year to Date Budget Goal	\$ 469,000.00
Year to Date Collections	\$ 467,953.37
Year to Date Deficit	\$ - 1,046.63

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

Home Improvement Fund

December Contributions	\$ 1,963.00
January Contributions	\$ 1,270.50
February Contributions (to date)	\$ 1,529.00



Raise \$75 for Little Flower while on a weekend cruise aboard Majesty of the Seas. Gather friends, family and neighbors and take the Little Flower Fundraiser cruise next Presidents' Weekend-February 16-19, 2007. Cruise price starts at \$387. \$25.00 per person can hold your cabin. For more details call Judy Jones at 373-8373.



INFORMATION FOR LENT

Students in our school will present the Living Stations on Friday, March 10th at 5:30 pm in church.

Our Lenten Penance Service will be Monday evening, March 20th at 7 p.m. here at Little Flower. We will host Our Lady of Lourdes and St. Bernadette parishes.

FESTIVAL NEWS – ITS ALREADY TIME!

SUMMERFEST 2006 planning has begun. Our summer festival dates this year are June 2, 3, and 4.

The next festival meeting will be Thursday, March 23rd at 7:30 pm in the parish center.

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

The Silent Auction team needs your help. Please see the insert in today's bulletin

Capital Campaign News

If you are one of the many parishioners who have been contributing to the Capital Campaign, THANK YOU for your start toward the finish!

If you have not yet responded, please do so as soon as possible. We have mailed new cards to all those we have not heard from, and extras are available at all of the doors.

Watch next week's bulletin for new totals!

SOMETHING'S FISHY AROUND HERE

Mark your calendars and invite your friends! Our first fish fry is behind us, but you have five more chances! Thanks to the school commission who helped our volunteer team last week. And thanks to all who attended and invited family and friends. *Over the past few years, profits from these events have contributed significantly to our budget.* Word of mouth is our best advertising. **We are counting on your support. Spread the word!**

THE LITTLE FLOWER GARDEN

Our relatively new parish newsletter is again suffering from a drought of submitted articles/content. Here is how you can help! Any parish organization or parishioner may submit the information/articles to the editor for review and publication. This news may include, but is not limited to, recognition of outstanding service, recognition of achievements and awards, service projects, highlights from travels, personal reflections upon liturgies, faith experiences, etc. in both our parish and our school and of course, just general news! **Deadline for submission for the next issue is March 15th.** You may submit via e-mail to lfp parishnews@yahoo.com or the parish center to the attention of Debbie Burks. Don't let this great new communication vehicle "wither" away. Submit your group's news **as soon as possible** to insure that our newsletter continues!