



THEY LEFT EVERYTHING AND FOLLOWED HIM.

Dear Parish Family,

Today marks the beginning of Catholic Schools Week. Once again, I want to you for your support of Little Flower School. Little Flower School could not continue to operate at the level it does without the support of the entire parish. As we celebrate Catholic Schools Week, we celebrate you and your commitment to Little Flower Parish and School.

Several weeks ago, I presented the results of the Parish Needs Assessment and the initial response of the Parish Council, namely to activate all the Commissions of the Parish Council. A flyer was included in the bulletin asking you to volunteer to join one of these Commissions. I am sorry to report that the response has been underwhelming.

It is important to understand that we have a very small parish staff for all the ministry and service we try to provide. Our staff members already have multiple priorities that keep them very busy every day and many evenings. Therefore, our ability to respond to the needs you identified will depend upon your willingness to help.

Consequently, we have re-printed the flyer and have included it in this bulletin. Please look it over carefully. If there is any area that interests you or in which you have gifts and talents, please volunteer by contacting one of the Commission contact people.

Have a wonderful week, and **GO, COLTS!**

fr. bob



NEWLY BAPTIZED

Please welcome into our Christian Community Heidi Lauren, daughter of David and Dora (Fleck) Hughey baptized on Sunday, January 14, 2007 and Emily Grace, daughter of Patrick and Christine (Burke) Shea baptized on Sunday, January 21, 2007.



The next Baptism Preparation Class is Monday, January 29th at 7pm in the Parish Center. This class is required for parents who are requesting baptism for their child and have not previously attended a preparation class. Please call the parish center at 357-8352 to let us know you plan to attend. Plan ahead, as the next class will not take place until the end of March.

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

YOUTH CHOIR - Please meet in church at 5pm on Sunday, January 28th to sing at the 6pm Mass.

SNOW TUBING - Mark your calendars and watch the bulletin for details on our annual snow tubing trip. Our tentative time is Saturday night, February 24th.

Community East Hospital is in need of Communion Ministers. Times and days are flexible. Please call Fr. George at 355-5130 for further information.

The confirmation class will meet on Sunday, January 28th from 7:15 pm until 9:00 pm. Only candidates and team members need to attend this session.



Masses of the Week

MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF JAN 29 – FEB 4, 2007

- 29 Jan Monday**
7:00 am Communion Service
5:30 pm Urban Sauer by Frank and Alice Fyffer
- 30 Jan Tuesday**
8:30 am Communion Service
5:30 pm In Thanksgiving for the Mission Sewing Group by Art Meier
- 31 Jan Wednesday**
8:30 am Robert and Terry Sweeney by The Sweeney Family
5:30 pm Communion Service
- 01 Feb Thursday**
8:30 am Communion Service
5:30 pm Special Intentions of a Loving Friend
- 02 Feb Friday**
8:30 am Lorene Sheats by Jerry Watts
5:30 pm Communion Service
- 03 Feb Saturday**
8:30 am Leda Hodge by The Williamson Family
5:00 pm **Vigil: Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Catherine Dangler by Robert Dangler
- 04 Feb Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
8:30 am Juanita Comely by The Little Flower Ladies Club
10:30 am Edith Williams by Louis Williams and Family
6:00 pm For The People



Dates to Remember

JANUARY 29 – FEBRUARY 4, 2007

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP
Monday	CATHOLIC	SCHOOLS	WEEK
	St. Patrick	7:00 pm	Baptism Class
	St. Therese	7:00 pm	Prayer Group
	Scout Room	7:00 pm	Webelos
Tuesday	CATHOLIC	SCHOOLS	WEEK
	Sewing room	9:30 am	Mission Sewing
	Holy Family	6:30 pm	Daisy Girl Scouts
	Parish Center	7:00 pm	RCIA
Wednesday	CATHOLIC	SCHOOLS	WEEK
	Church	7:30 pm	Choir
	St. Patrick	9:30 am	Bible Study Group
	Scout room	2:30 pm	Jr girl scouts #799
Thursday	CATHOLIC	SCHOOLS	WEEK
	Holy Family	2:30 pm	Girl Scout #606
	St. Patrick	7:00 pm	Mercy Meal Leaders
	Scout room	7:00 pm	Wolf Scout Meeting
Friday	CATHOLIC	SCHOOLS	WEEK
	St. Patrick	6:30 pm	Adult Bible Study
	Scout Room	6:30 pm	Tiger Boy Scouts
	Holy Family	6:30 pm	PTO Silly Safari
Saturday	CATHOLIC	SCHOOLS	WEEK
	Duffy Hall	7:00 pm	Ladies Club Meeting
	St. Therese	8:00 pm	AA
	Scout room	7:00 pm	Bear Scouts
Sunday	CATHOLIC	SCHOOLS	WEEK
	St. Therese	7:00 am	Men's Prayer Group
	Church	8:30 am	Rite of Illumination First Communion
	Parish Center	8:30 am	Children's Liturgy
	Social Hall	9:30 am	Coffee & Donuts
	School	9:30 am	Religious Education

THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



First Communion

On Sunday, February 4th at the 8:30 am Mass, the children making their First Communion will participate in the Rite of Illumination. During this celebration the children will receive a candle that is lit from the Paschal candle to remind us of the presence of the risen Lord among us. Jesus is the light of the world and we celebrate every Sunday the mission of Jesus and to be a source of light and love in this world.

Ladies Club News

It's time to start our new year, so hope you will join us for our meeting Thursday, February 1st, at 7:00pm in Duffy Hall. We will have some current information from the IRS available. We hope to see you there!

St. Vincent de Paul Help Line Needs Volunteers

The Svdp Help Line is the start of the process to supply families in need of food, furniture and clothing. This phone line would be forwarded to your home for one 4-hour period each month, 8:30am-12:30pm or 12:30pm-4:30pm, on a weekday. Please call John O'Hara at 879-1705 to volunteer.

Svdp Telephone Listings:

Help Line:	687-0169
Spanish Help Line:	687-0167
Client Choice Food Pantry:	921-1401
Pick-up Line (donations):	687-1006

Senior Prom

The Student Council at Little Flower School will host a Senior Prom, on Saturday, March 3rd, from 6pm-9pm, for any one in our Parish that is 55 and older. Mark your calendar NOW and join us for the fun, after Mass, in Duffy Hall.

Catholic Schools Week-The Good News in Education

Little Flower Catholic School will be celebrating Catholic School's Week with a theme for each day!

Monday—Celebrating the Little Flower Community

- The school will write thank you notes to volunteers, parish staff, and the parish as a whole.
- All are invited to Celebration on Wednesday at 1:00 pm in Duffy Hall.
- We will clean the pews in church for our parish community.

Tuesday—Celebrating the Catholic Community

- Science Fair
- Katrina relief: Begin collection of items for a Catholic School in Louisiana.

Wednesday—Celebrating our Students and Families

- Archdiocesan Mass 10:00 am.
- Celebration at 1:00 PM in Duffy Hall
- Spell bowl at Scecina

Thursday—Celebrating our Earth

- Jungle John

Friday—Celebrating our Teachers and Staff

- **HALF DAY - dismissal at 12:30 pm.**
- School Mass at 8:30am Candlemas
- God's Team 10:00 am



Mark your calendars and invite your friends! **Little Flower Fish Frys will return on Fridays during Lent, beginning Friday February 23rd.** Plan now to spend Friday evenings with us. Over the past few years, profits from these events have contributed significantly to our budget. Word of mouth is our best advertising. **Spread the word!**

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

Weekly Budget Goal	\$ 13,650.00
Collection of January 20 th and 21 st	\$ 8,415.89
Electronic Contribution 1/17 to 1/22	\$ 391.00
Year to Date Budget Goal	\$ 395,850.00
Year to Date Collections	\$ 390,202.78
Year to Date deficit	\$ - 5,647.22

Home Improvement Fund

October Contributions	\$ 1,260.08
November Contributions	\$ 1,233.00
December Contributions	\$ 1,647.00
January Contributions (to date)	\$ 1,280.00

It is not too late to pledge if you have not done so or if you recently have joined the parish. Extra pledge cards are available at each of the doors. Also, if you made a one-time gift last year in lieu of a three-year pledge, perhaps you are in a position to repeat that gift this year. You may donate at any time and mark you donation "Church Brick Project."

Legacy for our Mission Capital Campaign

As of 12/31/2006

Amount Pledged	\$870,345.00
Amount Received on Pledges	\$335,361.00

Annual financial statements have been mailed. Please review your statement and call Tom at the parish office as soon as possible if there are any discrepancies. Statement for Legacy for our Mission contributions will be mailed by the Archdiocese.

Next weekend there will be a special selection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith. Through the offering of Catholics worldwide, the Propagation of the Faith provides ongoing support for the pastoral and evangelizing programs of the Catholic Church in Africa, Asia, the islands of the Pacific and remote regions of Latin America. Please be as generous as possible and place the special envelope provided in your envelope packet in the regular collection next weekend.

THE LITTLE FLOWER GARDEN

It's time for the next issues of our parish newsletter. 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 FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2ND.** 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 communication vehicle "wither" away. Submit your group's news as soon as possible to insure that our newsletter's success!