



A letter from our Principal.....

Dear Parish Family,

June is a peaceful month at Little Flower Catholic School. While there is a lot of planning and scheduling going on, the building is quiet and things are very laid back. It is very nice—until July. By July, a school building without kids is no longer peaceful it is boring and lifeless. While we are all enjoying our summer, we are ready to fill this building with laughter and love and learning once again.

Families will return in the fall to find that we have continued to build on the positive changes of the last few years. Next year, our K-6 students will receive computer instruction from a licensed computer teacher. Last year we began to implement an audio/video Spanish program for grades K-6. That will continue next year, but additionally, we have added a Spanish teacher daily for grades 7 and 8. Last year we increased our resource time for students with needs in reading. This year we have added math resource periods as well. Mrs. Truex, our counselor who came to us from Scecina one afternoon per week last year, will be visiting two afternoons this year.

Though Little Flower has gotten smaller, both parish and school, over the past few years, it has not diminished in importance in the lives of those who are part of this community. To that end, our school has continued to improve and offer a Catholic education second to none.

Word of mouth is the best way to spread the word about the good things happening at Little Flower. We have openings available for those in pre-school through grade 8. Our preschool offers very flexible options, both half and full day for working parents. Please do your best to promote Little Flower School and encourage anyone interested to call the school office at 353-2282 to arrange a private tour and consultation.

Blessings,

Kevin Gawrys



School Clean-up Day

Our annual school clean-up day is scheduled for Saturday, Aug. 4th from 8am – 12pm. This is a perfect opportunity to exercise good stewardship by pitching in to help prepare school for opening day. All parishioners and school families are welcome. Attendance at this annual clean-up day has been dismal the last several years. Please consider donating a few hours of your time this year. Please bring extra ladders and cleaning supplies.

Host Family Urgently Needed

Albert is a 17-yr-old South Korean boy returning to Scecina Memorial H.S. as a Senior this year. For more information, please call Sue Franck at 800-622-3553, ext. 603 or our local coordinator, Patty Hegarty (317-322-9854), whose husband, John, is an administrator at the school.

A long overdue festival wrap-up meeting has been scheduled for Thursday, August 2nd at 7pm in the Parish Center. All those on the festival committee and anyone else interested should plan to attend.



The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults is the process by which adults become initiated into the Catholic Church. The process is open to non-Catholics who wish to inquire about the Catholic religion; alienated Catholics who wish to return to full participation in the Church; and any Catholics who are searching for a deeper understanding of their personal faith journey in the Catholic Church. **The process begins on Tuesday, Sept 5th from 7 – 9pm.** Do you know someone who is searching for a faith community or someone who has been away from the Church? The RCIA Team would like to help you invite them to explore the Catholic Church. Please call the Parish Center for more information at 357-8352.

Mass Intentions



MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 23 – 29, 2007

- 23 July Monday**
8:30 am Alma Thamann by Don and Doris Francis
5:30 pm Intention of Michael and Lois Miller by Madelynn Miller
- 24 July Tuesday**
8:30 am James Graves by The Routh, Stoffer and Hendrickson Families and Don Collins and Helen Collins
5:30 pm Dorothy Moody by Floyd and Donna Brown
- 25 July Wednesday**
8:30 am Leda Hodge by The Williamson Family
5:30 pm Barney Deck by John and Ruthannah Keeves
- 26 July Thursday**
8:30 am Lia Canzian by Fedenco and Antoinette Pizzi
1:30 pm Covington – For the Holy Souls in Purgatory by Diane Sharp
5:30 pm Communion Service
- 27 July Friday**
8:30 am Communion Service
5:30 pm Dorothy Meier by Don and Pat Rech
- 28 July Saturday**
8:30 am Patrick and Marguerite Walsh by Peggy Walsh
Saturday Vigil: The Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00 pm Catherine Dangler by The Dangler Family
- 29 July Sunday – The Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
8:30 am Gerry Gandolph by Barbara Elliott
10:30 am For the People
6:00 pm Mary Virginia and Harry Wood by The Albert Cowan Family

DATES TO REMEMBER...

JULY 23 – 29, 2007

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP
Tuesday	Church	10:00 am - 10:45 am	Childrens Choir Practice
	St. Therese	6:00 pm	Ladies Club Meeting
Wednesday	Off-site	8:00 am	Youth Kings Island Trip
	St. Patrick	9:30 am	Bible Study Group
Thursday	Church	10:00 am - 10:45 am	Childrens Choir Practice
	St. Therese	8:00 pm	AA
Saturday	St. Therese	7:00 am	Men's Prayer Group
Sunday	Church	8:30 am	Children's Choir Sings
	Parish Center	8:30 am	Children's Liturgy
	Duffy Hall	9:30 am	Coffee and Donuts

Thank You

The Ed Werner family wishes to thank Father Gilday and Georgia Impiccicche, as well as the altar servers and the musicians for their kindness and beautiful preparation for Dad's funeral at Little Flower on June 26. Also, thank you to the ladies who prepared and served the Mercy Meal afterwards. The food was delicious and plentiful. We cannot express how healing the Mass, liturgy, music, food and other tributes were to us during this time. Thank you Little Flower, again. – The Werner Family



Plan to attend the annual Parish Picnic on Sunday, August 19th, after the 10:30 am Mass. This year's picnic will be conveniently located at Ellenberger Park, at the picnic shelter at the west end of the park. In case of rain, the picnic will move to Duffy Hall (school cafeteria).



Please welcome into our Christian Community Maxwell Robert, son of Douglas and Lori (Paas) Wiegand, baptized on Sunday, July 8, 2007 and Roman David, son of Philip and Ashley (Cleveland) Caito baptized on Sunday, July 15, 2007.

PARKING REMINDER

Thanks for your cooperation in designating the parking areas behind the parish center for the handicapped during weekend liturgies. **With these nearby spaces available, please do not park behind others in the area immediately outside the rectory garage doors.** You never know when someone may need to leave in an emergency.



(grades 8 thru 12)

YOUTH CHOIR is scheduled to sing at 6pm Mass on Sunday July 22nd and Sunday August 5th. Meet in church at 5pm.

Youth Room will be open on Sunday, July 22nd after the 6pm Mass until 9:00 pm

OUT NEXT SUMMER COOK OUT will be at Little Flower on Thursday, August 9th from 7pm until 9pm. Please call Tom at 357-8352 or e-mail tom@littleflowerparish.org so we know how much to cook!

Annual bus trip to King's Island on Wednesday, July 25th. Incoming eighth graders will be welcome to attend this trip, as well as all high school students. There are a few seats left. Call Tom at the parish center.

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

Weekly Budget Goal	\$	13,650.00
Collection of July 14 th and 15 th	\$	9,729.10
Electronic Contribution 7/10 to 7/16	\$	3,176.00
Year to Date Budget Goal	\$	40,950.00
Year to Date Collections	\$	40,590.36
Year to Date	\$	-359.64
Deficit for Fiscal Year 2006-2007	\$	-10,513.38

Home Improvement Fund

May Contributions	\$	1,422.00
June Contributions	\$	1,571.00
July Contributions (to date)	\$	1,232.00

Legacy for our Mission Capital Campaign

As of 5/31/2007

Amount Pledged	\$875,665.40
Amount Received on Pledges	\$450,583.00

Mass of Anointing

On Saturday, August 4th at the 5 pm Mass, we will celebrate a community Mass of Anointing of the Sick. Once called "Last Rites," anointing is no longer reserved for the dying, but is seen as a sacrament of inner healing. The Rite of Anointing suggests the following guidelines for those who wish to be anointed: "Great care should be taken to see that those of the faithful whose health is seriously impaired by sickness or old age receive this sacrament...A sick person may be anointed before surgery whenever a serious illness is the reason for the surgery. Elderly people may be anointed if they have become notably weakened even though no serious illness is present." (Rite 8, 10, & 11) If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Fr. Bob or Georgia.

Alzheimer's Support Group

A support group for families and caregivers of Alzheimer's patients is held the last Thursday of each month in the Holy Spirit Parish Center. The meeting begins at 6:30 pm. There is no need to pre-register. The July meeting will be July 26; the topic for discussion will be local and national research projects related to Alzheimer's disease.



Our recycling company is running an additional promotion for the period of May thru August that could allow us to earn an additional \$1,000.00, and our past success indicates we can do this again!

Our Goal 45.64 tons
Amount collected by 7/6/07 23.40 tons

Please continue to tell your family, friends and neighbors to recycle their newspapers here at Little Flower! No phone books, but catalogs and magazines are acceptable!



HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE STUDENTS & FAMILIES

We will be welcoming our high school and college students in a special way to 6pm Mass on Sunday, August 5th. There will be a blessing for them and their upcoming year during mass. Following Mass, we will offer a dinner for them and their families in the social hall. Please plan to join us! **RSVP to the parish center at 357-8352.**

Next weekend, July 28th and 29th, we will welcome Sr. Regina Marie Fisher from the Sisters of Notre Dame Toledo Province. Sister will speak about their missions in New Guinea. Their ministry there began in 1961 and is strong today where they serve as educators and provide pastoral and AIDS respite care. There will be a second collection to support their work. Please be as generous as possible.



The next Baptism Preparation Class is Monday, July 30th 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 September.