

**Dear Parish Family,**

After a cool Easter, it finally feels like spring. As cool as our Easter was, it was nothing like the weather in Chagrin Falls, Ohio, where my cousin lives. They had **30 inches of snow** Easter weekend!!

A couple of weeks ago, I received a letter from Bud Moody announcing his resignation as chairman of our Respect Life Committee for reasons of age and health. As a parish, we owe Bud a debt of gratitude for his unwavering commitment to protecting the life of the unborn and for keeping our obligation to protect the unborn in front of our eyes. Phil Caito will replace Bud as chairperson.

Also, Dick Kramer has resigned from the Liturgy Commission. Special thanks to Dick, not only for his service on the Commission, but for the several years he chaired the Commission.

When spring arrives, the grass needs to be cut. Thanks to Dick Hutchinson who has taken over responsibility for cutting the grass. Special thanks to Dick for cutting the grass on Saturday, April 28, before First Communion. Many thanks to all those who help with the grounds. If you ever see anyone parishioners working on the grounds, please thank them. Special thanks to Art Meier, who continues to work on our grounds.

Finally, although it is several weeks after Easter, I want to share with you a story of Lenten sacrifice. We received \$68 anonymously with a note that said, "I gave up lunch for Lent & this is what I saved." Our Lenten sacrifices not only benefit us. They also can benefit others.

Have a wonderful week.

fr. bob

**Eucharistic Ministers & Altar Servers**

The new schedules for June, July, and August will be coming out soon. Please contact the following by May 12<sup>th</sup>:

- ❖ *Eucharistic Ministers should contact Ron Sharp at 356-3488 or e-mail at [giboshihooser@aol.com](mailto:giboshihooser@aol.com)*
- ❖ *Servers should contact Mrs. Gibbons at 357-8352 or [lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org](mailto:lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org)*



**59th Annual Little Flower Mother's Day Breakfast**

On Sunday, May 13<sup>th</sup> we will celebrate Mother's Day and for the past 58 years the men of Little Flower Parish have served breakfast for all current and past members adult women of the parish. Breakfast will be served in Duffy Hall at 10:00 am, doors open at 9:30 am.

You're Invited!

On Tuesday, May 8<sup>th</sup> at 6pm all past and current RCIA members and their families are invited to our annual cookout. Please bring a side dish & drinks to share we will provide the hamburgers and hot dogs. If you have any questions call Lisa at 357-8352.

Candidates and sponsors should also plan to attend Mass and our last regular session on Sunday May 6<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 6pm in church. Please pray for our confirmation candidates. Confirmation will take place at 7pm on May 16<sup>th</sup> at the Cathedral.



**Walk The World for Hunger – Indianapolis:** A global event held locally at Marian College on Saturday, May 12<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. Adults \$20, Children 11-17 \$10. Fee includes T-shirt. Proceeds benefit the U.N. Food Program with 40% to local organizations that feed the hungry. For more information, please call Terri Downs at 353-9877.



**Mass Intentions**

**MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 7 – MAY 13, 2007**

- 07 May Monday**  
7:00 am Communion Service  
5:30 pm For the Intention of Luke McAtee
- 08 May Tuesday**  
8:30 am Communion Service  
5:30 pm Wilfred Hughey by The Hughey Family
- 09 May Wednesday**  
7:00 am Communion Service  
11:00 am Adventuresome Group – Mary A. and Mary C. Haboush by Arvina Fuller  
5:30 pm Communion Service
- 10 May Thursday**  
8:30 am Mary Hickman by Marie Atkinson  
5:30 pm Communion Service
- 11 May Friday**  
8:30 am In Thanksgiving for Charles and Patricia Withem's 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary  
5:30 pm Communion Service
- 12 May Saturday Vigil: Sixth Sunday of Easter**  
8:30 am Communion Service  
5:00 pm Anne L. Sanders by Denny and Margie Dinn
- 13 May Sunday – Sixth Sunday of Easter**  
8:30 am Marguerite Mitchell by Your Daughter  
10:30 am Freda Jines by Marylyn and Merrill Blackwell  
6:00 pm For the People



**Dates to Remember**

**MAY 7 – 13, 2007**

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP
<b>Monday</b>	Scout room	3:15 pm	Girl Scout #1777
	John 23d	6:30 pm	Spanish Class
	St. Patrick	7:00 pm	SVDP
	St. Therese	7:00 pm	Prayer Group
	Scout Room	7:00 pm	Weblos
<b>Tuesday</b>	Sewing Room	9:30 am	Mission Sewing
	Scout room	3:15 pm	Girl Scout #1777
	Parish Center	6:00 pm	RCIA PICNIC
	Church	7:30 pm	Choir
<b>Wednesday</b>	St. Patrick	9:30 am	Bible Study Group
	Scout room	2:30 pm	Jr girl Scouts #799
	Duffy Hall	5:30 pm	Paige Instrument Try-out Night
	John 23rd	6:30 pm	PTO Board Meeting
	St. Patrick	7:00 pm	Parish Pastoral Council
	Scout room	7:00 pm	Wolf Scout
<b>Thursday</b>	Gym	7:00 pm	Spring Band Concert
	Scout Room	6:30 pm	Tiger Scouts
	St. Patrick	6:30 pm	Adult Bible Study
	St. Therese	8:00 pm	AA
	Duffy Hall	8:00 pm	LFAA Meeting
<b>Friday</b>	The Links	Noon	Golf Outing
	Scout Room	7:00 pm	Bear Scouts
<b>Saturday</b>	St. Therese	7:00 am	Men's Prayer Group
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Happy</b>	<b>Mother's</b>	<b>Day</b>
	Parish Center	8:30 am	Children's Liturgy
	Duffy Hall	9:30 am	Mother's Day Breakfast

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

Weekly Budget Goal	\$ 13,650.00
Collection of April 28 <sup>th</sup> and 29 <sup>th</sup>	\$ 9,772.46
Electronic Contribution 4/25 to 4/30	\$ 395.00
Year to Date Budget Goal	\$ 586,950.00
Year to Date Collections	\$ 576,916.65
Year to Date deficit	\$ -10,033.35

The last part of our fiscal year, which ends on June 30, is always a challenging time for the Sunday Collection. Because of many conflicting activities at this time of year that often cause people to be away or attend another parish, we typically have a difficult time maintaining the collection at this time. Because it is the end of the fiscal year and also time to prepare next year's budget, it is a bit more critical that we maintain our Sunday collection and know what to expect. Thank you in advance to your faithfulness to your regular stewardship commitment. If you have fallen behind and find yourself in a position to "make up", please consider doing so before June 30<sup>th</sup>.

**Home Improvement Fund**

January Contributions	\$ 1,513.00
February Contributions	\$ 1,576.00
March Contributions	\$ 1,377.00
April Contributions	\$ 1,512.00

**Legacy for our Mission Capital Campaign**

As of 3/31/2007

Amount Pledged	\$874,740.00
Amount Received on Pledges	\$421,742.00

**Youth News**

\*Youth choir will sing at 6pm Mass on Sunday May 6<sup>th</sup>. Please meet at 5pm in church.



As Americans, we traditionally remember those who have died in service to our country on **Memorial Day**. As a parish we will commemorate each of our own war dead by name during the Mass on Memorial Day, May 28<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 am. We are gathering names of our parishioners and their

loved ones who have given their lives during military service. Please record their names in the book located outside the adoration chapel.

**Thank You**

The Fowler Family would like to thank everyone for their thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. They would especially like to thank the Ladies of the parish for a wonderful mercy meal as well as Thomas Bullock and Ben Dugan for doing a great job serving at Mass.

Professor to speak on Muslim-Christian dialogue at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish on Wednesday, May 9<sup>th</sup> at 7pm: Dr. Tom Ryba, professor at Purdue University and former professor at Notre Dame has played a big role in the recent Muslim-Christian dialogue. This event is sponsored by the Lourdes Adult Catechetical Team. Please come and hear a Catholic perspective about this important current topic! Questions call Alexa at the Parish Office, 356-7291.

The Adventuresome Group will meet on Wednesday, May 9 for a special program about...US! Join us for Mass at 11 am, followed by lunch. Please bring an "old" object that you'd be willing to tell us about so that we can reminisce with you. Some ideas are: a favorite hat, an award, a program, a photo, or anything else you'd like to share. Please RSVP to the parish center so we know how much food to prepare.



**SUMMERFEST 2007 June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, & 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**Rummage Sale donations:** please bring them to the parish center or call Debbie Belles at 359-4288.

**The Silent Auction team still needs your help. Donations are coming in very slowly.** Call Mary Martha Costello at 544-0473, Debbie Burks at 353-1192, or Rosemary Armour at 357-0284 if you or your employer can donate new goods or services valued in excess of \$25.00.

**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 or \$350.00 each, depending on the sponsorship level. If you know of someone who might be interested in this opportunity, leave their name and address for Tom and he will mail information to them.

**This weekend (May 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>) 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 these weekends.

**RAFFLE TICKETS have been mailed to parishioners.** Please do all you can to sell your raffle tickets. The festival will not be successful without the success of the raffle. Extra tickets are available at all of the church doors. Sold tickets and money can be mailed or brought into the parish center or placed in the collection basket. Please take note of the new Early Bird Drawing. Both the purchaser and the seller of one lucky ticket will win \$250.00 on May 20<sup>th</sup>. Also, the seller of each of the winning tickets drawn at the festival will receive \$100.00

**PLANT BOOTH** - Anyone having starts and small planters to donate for the booth may leave them at the parish center. Any volunteers who would specifically like to be assigned to the plant booth would be appreciated. You may call anyone listed below. Anyone needing plant items to be picked up please call:

- Barbara Elliott - 359-9741
- Madelynn Miller - 353-8630
- Katie White - 356-1990

*Thank you for your participation!*

**Presale tickets for dinners and rides will be available in church beginning May 19<sup>th</sup>.**

**The next festival meeting is on Monday, May 14th at 7pm in the parish center.**

**GOLFERS - TIME IS RUNNING OUT - AND WE HAVE PLENTY OF SPACE AVAILABLE**

Our annual Fr. Robert Borchertmeyer Golf Outing will be Friday, May 11<sup>th</sup>. Early registrations and sponsorships are just not coming in as we had hoped. Proceeds will benefit the Little Flower School Godparent Program. Please call the parish office early this week if you still need to register.

**News from the Respect Life Committee**

Due to advancing age and health issues, Bud Moody has resigned as chairman of the Respect Life committee. He is being replaced by Philip J Caito. Bud thanks Father Bob, the other committee members as well as all the parishioners who were so much help in making our efforts successful. Bud also asked that Phil receive the same support.