

**The LORD has revealed  
to the nations His  
saving power.**

**Dear Parish Family,**

Joe Ajamie's death last weekend was a terrible loss to his immediate family, his extended family, his friends, Little Flower Parish, Scecina Memorial High School, and all those whose lives he has touched during his sixteen years of life and all those whose lives he would have touched had he lived. Joe was a magnet for people.

However, if the death and resurrection of Jesus teaches us anything, it teaches us that God can and does bring good out of tragedy. Joe's family decided to donate his organs and tissues. For the recipients of his organs, this will mean the difference between living and dying. For the recipients of tissue, this will greatly improve the quality of their lives. Joe will truly live on through them.

What was most evident during the entire weekend was the outpouring of love and support for Joe and his family, especially by Joe's friends from Scecina, Cathedral, and other area schools. For example, last Friday evening probably at least half of the Scecina student body and many other students were present at the hospital at one time or another. Joe's family drew great comfort and strength from their presence, and they supported and strengthened one another. Their behavior was exemplary and they were very respectful of the Ajamie family and the nursing staff. When the hospital staff or other adults made any requests of them, they quietly and politely did as they were asked.

From watching and listening, I am proud to say that they gave witness to their faith, love, and hope. One of the nurses in the ICU said that she had never witnessed such an outpouring of love and support for a person during her years of working in ICU. A visitor from a neighboring unit came down to the room and said he had to see the young man who was so loved by so many. He went in and said a prayer. Another patient's visitor talked to me more than once about Joe and all his friends. After Joe died, a non-Catholic family in the next room whose own family member was dying asked me to come and pray for him. Even in the midst of their own pain, they wanted to hear the story of Joe.

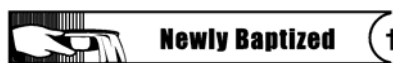
We ask your continued prayers for Joe, his family, and his friends.

This Saturday Archbishop Daniel will preside at the 5:00 p.m. Mass and bless our new altar. We hope that as many of you as possible will be here to celebrate as a parish family with our Archbishop. Because of the Archbishop's visit, there will be **no** Confessions this Saturday.

Because of the Archbishop's visit, we scheduled our annual parish appreciation dinner for this Saturday immediately after 5 p.m. All are invited. This is our opportunity to thank you for all you do, big and small, for Little Flower. Every one of you is important to the life of Little Flower. However, we do ask that you make reservations by this Tuesday, October 16<sup>th</sup>.

Have a wonderful week.

fr. bob



**Newly Baptized**

† Congratulations to the following families whose children were baptized on Sunday, October 7, 2007:

Christina Marie, daughter of Clinton and Jeanne (Hamilton) Hardin, and Catherine Irene, daughter of Christopher and Karen (Beaupre) Roberson



**Mass Intentions**

**MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF OCT 15 – OCT 21, 2007**

- 15 Oct Monday**  
7:00 am Communion Service  
5:30 pm Tom Watts by Jerry Watts
- 16 Oct Tuesday**  
8:30 am Communion Service  
5:30 pm Louis Williams by Bob & Bobbie Lawless
- 17 Oct Wednesday**  
8:30 am Alma & Joseph Thamann by Maureen & David Brown  
5:30 pm Communion Service
- 18 Oct Thursday**  
8:30 am Communion Service  
1:30 pm Greentree – John McAtee  
5:30 pm Communion Service
- 19 Oct Friday**  
8:30 am Joe Zarick by Shirley Gregory  
5:30 pm Communion Service
- 20 Oct Saturday**  
8:30 am Communion Service  
**Saturday Vigil: Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
5:00 pm Michael Foley by Rita Foley
- 21 Oct Sunday – The Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
8:30 am Alvin A. Lundy by Mary Anne Lundy  
10:30 am Dorothy Meier by Art Meier  
6:00 pm For the People

**DATES TO REMEMBER**

**October 15 – 21, 2007**

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP
<b>Monday</b>	Scout Room	6:00 pm	Wolf Scouts
	St. Patrick	6:30 pm	Spanish Class
	Holy Family	7:00 pm	SVDP
	Scout Room	7:00 pm	Webelo Scouts
	St. Therese	7:00 pm	Prayer Group
<b>Tuesday</b>	Parish Center	9:30 am	Mission Sewing
	Parish Center	7:00 pm	RCIA
	Church	7:30 pm	Choir
<b>Wednesday</b>	Scout Room	2:30 pm	Troop #799
	John 23 <sup>rd</sup>	6:00 pm	Finance Council
	SchoolRm102	6:00 pm	Ladies Craft Group
	Duffey Hall	6:00 pm	Cub Scout Pack Mtg
	St. Patrick	7:00 pm	First Communion Parent Meeting
	Scout Room	7:00 pm	Bear Scouts
	<b>Thursday</b>	St. Patrick	6:30 pm
	St. Therese	8:00 pm	AA
	<b>Friday</b>	Church/Gym	8:30 am
<b>Saturday</b>	Gym	8:00 pm	Adult Volleyball
	St. Therese	7:00 am	Men's Prayer Group
	St. Therese	11:00 am	LFNA & KIB meeting
	Church	5:00 pm	Mass & Consecration of Altar
	Duffey Hall	6:00 pm	Appreciation Dinner
<b>Sunday</b>	Parish Center	8:30 am	Children's Liturgy
	Parish Center	8:30 am	Nursery
	School	9:30 am	Religious Education
	Duffey	9:30 am	Coffee and Donuts

## Ladies Club Card Party

### Reminder

Please turn in your raffle tickets and if you have items for the "Next to New" booth, please call Donna Brown at 356-0774.

**CALL A FRIEND AND JOIN US FOR LUNCH AND CARDS IN DUFFEY HALL.**

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26<sup>TH</sup>**

- Doors Open at 11:00 am - Browse the "Next to New" Booth and the "Sweet Booth."
- Bridge, Euchre, Progressive Euchre, and Pinochle
- LUNCH SERVICE will begin at 12 Noon. Cost \$8.00.
- Table Prizes - Door Prizes - 50/50 - Raffle
- Please call for reservations: Hazel 356-4967  
Donna 356-0774

**Saturday, October 27<sup>th</sup>** we will have a craft booth at the Irvington Halloween Festival. Ladies, if you have anything to donate for the craft booth, you can drop it off during our crafting session on Wed, Oct 17<sup>th</sup> at 6pm, or for more information call Julie Runge at 359-1669. Hope to see you and thank you for your support.

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

Weekly Budget Goal	\$ 13,650.00
Collection of October 6 <sup>th</sup> and 7 <sup>th</sup>	\$ 13,836.67
Electronic Contribution 10/1 to 10/9	\$ 3,208.25
Year to Date Budget Goal	\$ 204,750.00
Year to Date Collections	\$ 193,845.76
Year to Date DEFICIT	\$ - 10,904.24

#### Home Improvement Fund

June Contributions	\$ 1,571.00
July Contributions	\$ 1,314.00
August Contributions	\$ 1,375.00
September Contributions	\$ 1,214.00
October Contributions	\$ 976.00

#### Legacy for our Mission Capital Campaign As of 8/31/2007

Amount Pledged	\$896,365.00
Amount Received on Pledges	\$491,875.00

### Seccina Memorial High School Open House Sunday, October 21, 2007

Doors will be open from 4:00 -5:00 p.m. for families to freely visit faculty. Ice cream and cobbler will be served at 5:00 p.m. in the gymnasium, with a formal presentation to follow. Come see what your East Deanery High School has to offer!

### Youth News

(grades 8 thru 12)

**Youth choir** - will practice in church from 7pm until 8:30 pm on Sunday, October 21<sup>st</sup>. We are open to any new members. A particular need exists for some of our older high school students. Please consider coming.

**Youth room** will be open on Sunday, October 28<sup>th</sup> after the 6pm Mass until 8:30 pm. Plan to stop in.

### Young adults

#### Save the date!

Mark your calendars for a cook-out get-together on Friday, October 26 in the Parish Center, 6-8 pm. Details to follow!



### First Communion

**Attention Parents!** If your child is enrolled in the First Communion program, there will be a Parent Information Meeting on Wednesday, October 17<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm in the Parish Center. Please plan to attend.

### ALTAR DEDICATION AND APPRECIATION DINNER!

On Saturday, October 20<sup>th</sup>, Archbishop Daniel will be here at Little Flower for our 5:00 pm Mass. He will be here to consecrate our new altar. Following Mass, we will have our annual appreciation/feast day dinner in Duffy Hall. Please RSVP for the dinner to [jzimmerman@littleflowerparish.org](mailto:jzimmerman@littleflowerparish.org) or call Jeannie at 357-8352, ext 31. **Please call or e-mail by Tuesday of this week!**

**ANNUAL LITTLE FLOWER SCHOOL ALL-CLASS REUNION**  
Saturday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>, is the date for our annual Little Flower School all-class reunion. We encourage as many of our school alumni as possible to join us for this event. This year, the reunion will begin with school tours, followed by 5pm Mass, and finally dinner at the Indianapolis Marriott on East 21<sup>st</sup> Street. Plan now to join us.

On Sunday, October 14<sup>th</sup>, there will be a meeting for all young adults and their parents who might be interested in preparing for the sacrament of Confirmation. Confirmation preparation is open to all youth in grades 9 thru 12. The meeting will take place in the school cafeteria and will begin at 7:15 pm. Attendance at this meeting is essential for anyone who wants to prepare for Confirmation in the spring of 2008. Please call Tom at the parish center if you have questions.



### THE LITTLE FLOWER GARDEN

We have not received enough submissions to publish our next newsletter. Therefore, the deadline has been extended to October 15<sup>th</sup>. Any parish organization or parishioner may submit the information/articles to the editor for review and publication. You may submit via e-mail to [lfparishnews@yahoo.com](mailto:lfparishnews@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!

### STEWARDSHIP COMMISSION WE STILL NEED HELP!

The Parish Stewardship Commission, under the authority of the pastor and in concert with the parish pastoral council, takes an active role in planning and developing stewardship programs, monitoring the parish's stewardship of its resources, and promoting effective communications and accountability. This includes both our parish's financial and physical resources. Ideally this group consists of eight parishioners and meets six to eight times per year. A meeting is planned later this month to better explain the commission and its work. If there is any way you think you might be able to help with this group, please call Tom at the parish center at 357-8352 or send him an e-mail to [tom@littleflowerparish.org](mailto:tom@littleflowerparish.org). Please give this your thoughtful consideration!