



Dear Parish Family,

Christmas Masses will be on Christmas Eve at 3:30 p.m., 5:30 p.m. and 10:00 p.m. and Christmas Day at 9:00 a.m. The 10 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass will be the traditional

Christmas Midnight Mass. Music will begin at 9:30 p.m. Also, incense will be used at the 10 p.m. Mass.

The Parish Office will be close at noon on Wednesday, December 24, and not reopen until 9:00 a.m. on Monday morning, December 29.

Thanks to Peggy Clegg and all who worked so hard to make last Sunday's Christmas Party a success, especially those who set up Duffey Hall, those who helped decorate, and those who helped prepare food, including all those who brought desserts. Also, thanks to all who came. It was a great party!

Have a wonderful and blessed Christmas.

fr. bob

BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS FOR THE HOLIDAYS

Please be aware that the deadline for bulletin submissions for the Holidays will be:

- Monday, December 22nd at Noon for January 3rd and 4th
- Monday, January 5th at Noon for January 10th and 11th

Please email lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org or send in writing any bulletin submissions to Lisa Gibbons.

Anyone interested in right to life issues are urged to attend the **Respect Life Committee** meeting on **January 7th at 7:00 pm** in the Parish Center. Some issues that this committee might work with include pro-life, the death penalty, and euthanasia. The goal of this committee is to educate parishioners on the Church's stand that all human life must be respected from the moment of conception to natural death. Please contact Peggy Clegg at the Parish Center for more details.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS – WE WILL DECORATE THE CHURCH FOR CHRISTMAS AT 6:30PM ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 22ND. VOLUNTEERS WILL BE NEEDED! We can use everyone's help, including a few folks that can climb ladders and able to lift heavy items.



Christmas is just around the corner and that means it is almost time for gifts for the "Baby Jesus". The Gabriel Project uses the items collected to provide much needed support to our Gabriel Project

clients. If you would like to help please bring an unwrapped infant item to any of the Christmas Masses and place it in front of the manger. We are currently most in need of infant clothing for boys and girls 0-3 months, baby bottles, crib sheets, and hygiene supplies. Thank you for your support!



MASS Schedule

FOR THE WEEK OF DEC. 22 – DEC. 28, 2008

22 December	Monday
7:00 am	Communion Service
5:30 pm	Betty Gavaghan by Pat Reese
23 December	Tuesday
8:30 am	Communion Service
5:30 pm	Frances Gillin by Frank Coyle
24 December	Wednesday
3:30 pm	Freda and Joseph Jines by Marylyn and Merrill Blackwell
5:30 pm	Catherine Dangler by Bob Dangler
10:00 pm	For the People
25 December	Thursday
9:00 am	Marcia Duncan by Maureen Duncan
26 December	Friday
8:30 am	Communion Service
5:30 pm	Communion Service
27 December	Saturday
8:30 am	Communion Service
5:00 pm	Vigil- Holy Family Living and Deceased Members of the Mauer Family by Mildred Mauer
28 December	Sunday – Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph
8:30 am	John Wurz by Butch and Donna Brown
10:30 am	Rita Ernestes by Joe and Mary Frances Dugan Family
6:00 pm	For the People



Dates to Remember

December 21 - 28, 2008

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP
Sunday	Parish Center	8:30 am	Children's Liturgy
	Duffey Hall	9:30 am	Coffee and Donuts
	School	9:30 am	Religious Education
Monday	Church	7:00 pm	Youth Choir Practice
	Holy Family	6:00 pm	Tiger Scouts
	Church	6:30 pm	Church Decorating
Tuesday	St. Therese	7:00 pm	Prayer Group
	Church	7:00 pm	Adult Christmas Choir
	Wednesday	Parish	Office
	St. Patrick	9:30 am	Bible Study
Thursday	Merry	Christmas	
	Parish	Office	Closed
Friday	Parish	Office	Closed
Saturday	St. Therese	7:00 am	Men's Prayer Group
Sunday	Parish Center	8:30 am	Children's Liturgy
	Duffey Hall	9:30 am	Coffee and Donuts

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

From the Ladies Club: Thank you to all who baked, bought, or worked to make the Ladies Club Bake Sale a huge success.

Congratulations to Debbie Spalding the winner of the Ladies Club Raffle.



Intramural Basketball Sign-ups

The sign-ups for this year will be Sunday, Jan. 11th in the Little Flower Gym from 12:00pm to 1:00pm. Intramural Basketball is open to all children in grades kindergarten through third grade. The cost this year will be \$20.00 to include a medal for the children to keep. Please contact Tim Smith or Erik Allstatt with questions at 847-9857. Parents if you are interested in coaching please let us know!!

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

Weekly Budget Goal	\$ 14,000.00
Collection of December 13 th and 14 th	\$ 12,071.36
Electronic Contribution 12/9 to 12/15	\$ 3,747.64
Year to Date Budget Goal	\$ 336,000.00
Year to Date Collections	\$ 325,961.10
Year to Date DEFICIT	\$ - 10,038.90

Home Improvement Fund

October Contributions	\$ 1,354.00
November Contributions	\$ 1,267.25
December Contributions (to date)	\$ 927.00

Legacy for our Mission Capital Campaign

As of 10/31/2008

Amount Pledged	\$903,685.00
Amount Received on Pledges	\$710,710.00
Pledges still outstanding	\$167,788.00

It will help us immensely if you would return your stewardship card as soon as possible. **ONLY 250 CARDS HAVE BEEN RETURNED.** We want to follow up with those who have volunteered, but really need to get the cards all together before beginning this effort. In addition, we need to know your intentions so we can adequately plan financially. **PLEASE HELP US!** Extra cards are available at each of the church doors you have misplaced yours. **PLEASE REMEMBER THAT A CURRENT STEWARDSHIP CARD MUST BE ON FILE IN ORDER TO RECEIVE DISCOUNTED TUITION RATES AT LITTLE FLOWER AND SCECINA. THANK YOU!**

Youth News

(grades 8 thru 12)

Youth Choir will practice on Sunday, December 21st from 7pm until 8:30pm in church. New members are always welcome. We will sing on Christmas Eve at the 5:30pm Mass (meet at 5pm) and on Sunday December 28th at 6:00 pm Mass (meet at 6pm)

YOUTH ROOM will be open on Sunday, December 28th after the 6pm Mass until 8:30 pm. It's been a long time so plan to drop in.



Session 3 will then take place for candidates and team only on **Sunday, January 4th** following the pm Mass. Please meet in the parish center.

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Christmas Eve, Wednesday, December 24th
3:30 PM; 5:30 PM; 10:00 PM.

Full Christmas Choir at 10:00 PM Mass beginning at 9:30 pm
Christmas Day, Thursday, December 25th - 9:00 AM
NO EVENING MASS ON DECEMBER 25TH

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH
December 27th and 28th
Regular Weekend Mass Schedule

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD
January 1st - Holy Day of Obligation
Wednesday, December 31st at 6pm (anticipation Mass)
Thursday, January 1st at 9am

EPIPHANY OF THE LORD
January 3rd and 4th
Regular Weekend Mass Schedule
Full Christmas Choir at 10:30 am Mass on Sunday

PARISH OFFICE INFORMATION

The parish office will close at Noon on Wednesday, December 24th.
The office will be closed December 25th & 26th, and January 1st

Young Adults....You're Invited

Please join Archbishop Daniel Buechlein, Fr. Rick Nagel and Mary Schaffner on the Archdiocesan Pilgrimage for Life, January 21- 22, 2009 in Washington D.C. as we prayerfully and peacefully march in support of the dignity of all human life. Airfare is being generously donated by Bryan Bedford, Chairman, Presidents and CEO of Republic Airways. Please go to www.archindy.org/youngadult or call Mary Schaffner at 317-236-1436 for more information and or to register for this trip of a LIFETIME!!

Christmas Choir CDs, *Christmas Through the Rose Window*, are still available for sale in the Parish Office. This week, the office is open from 9am until 3pm Monday and Tuesday and Wednesday from 9am until noon. The CD makes a great last minute gift, and all proceeds benefit the tuition assistance fund here at Little Flower. The cost is \$15 for the Christmas CD and \$20.00 for a combination of the choir's first CD and the Christmas CD.