

**W**ith the LORD there is **MERCY** and fullness of **REDEMPTION.**

**Dear Parish Family,**

Holy Week and Easter are fast approaching.

Our Lenten Penance Service with Our Lady of Lourdes and

St. Bernadette will be this Thursday, March 13, at 7 p.m. here at Little Flower. Several priests will be here to help with confessions.

As you know, because we celebrate our Penance Services together with Our Lady of Lourdes and St. Bernadette, we only have one Penance Service here at Little Flower. If you were not able to make the Advent Penance Service at St. Bernadette, this would be a good opportunity for you to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation as part of your preparation for Easter.

In recent years, the sacrament of reconciliation has become the forgotten sacrament. There are probably a number of reasons for this. Some of us may have a diminished awareness of the reality of sin in our lives, sometimes not even sure what is right or wrong. Some of us may find it too difficult or too painful to admit either our sinfulness or our sins. Some of us may have lost a sense of the importance of the sacraments in our lives. Some of us may even have lost a sense of the importance of the Church in our relationship with God.

Although it is always difficult to acknowledge our sinfulness and our sins, Jesus did not give us the sacrament of reconciliation to be a burden but a gift. Jesus gave us the sacrament of reconciliation to enable us to experience humanly his forgiving, healing, reconciling love.

Also, please note the times of the Holy Week Services and mark your calendars to attend as many as you are able.

Have a wonderful week.

fr. bob



**Eternal Rest Grant unto Her, O Lord—**

Please pray for the family of Monica (Peg) Roberts, who passed away March 3.

**PENANCE SERVICE**

Our Lenten Penance Service will be THIS Thursday evening, March 13<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. here at Little Flower. This will also be first reconciliation for our second graders.

**GOLFERS- SAVE THIS DATE!**

Our annual Fr. Robert Borchertmeyer Golf Outing will be SATURDAY, May 10<sup>th</sup>. Our hope is that this move to Saturday will enable more people to attend! Proceeds will benefit the Little Flower School Godparent Program. More information will be available soon!

Candidates will next meet on Sunday, March 9<sup>th</sup> in the parish center from 7:15 pm until 9:00 pm. The confirmation retreat will be on Sunday, March 16<sup>th</sup> beginning



at 10:00 am. Please pray for our confirmation candidates and their sponsors. You will find their pictures on the bulletin board by the choir loft door.

**Adventuresome Group**

Are you tired of winter? Has Lent put a damper on your spirits? Here's just what the nurse ordered! The Adventuresome Group will meet Wednesday, March 12 for a game of Catholic Trivia. It'll be us vs. Fr. Bob! So review your catechism and Church History,

and join us for Mass at 11 am, followed by lunch and some serious trivia fun! Please RSVP to the parish center



**Mass Intentions**

**MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF MAR 10 – MAR 16, 2008**

- 10 Mar**  
8:30 am  
5:30 pm  
**Monday**  
Mary Quinn by Margaret Gold  
Communion Service
- 11 Mar**  
8:30 am  
5:30 pm  
**Tuesday**  
Communion Service  
Elinor Johnson by Don Johnson and Family
- 12 Mar**  
7:00 am  
11:00 am  
**Wednesday**  
Communion Service  
Adventuresome Mass – Alma Vollmer Thamann by Mary Lemieux  
Communion Service
- 13 Mar**  
8:30 am  
5:30 pm  
**Thursday**  
Bob Guedel by Michelle Maio Venezia  
Communion Service
- 14 Mar**  
8:30 am  
5:30 pm  
**Friday**  
Joe Ajamie by Denise and Johanna Joseph  
Way of the Cross and Communion Service
- 15 Mar**  
8:30 am  
**Saturday**  
Communion Service  
**Saturday Vigil: Palm Sunday**  
Al and Judy Haboush by Arvina Fuller
- 16 Mar**  
8:30 am  
10:30 am  
6:00 pm  
**Sunday – Palm Sunday**  
Marian Kebe by The Little Flower Ladies Club  
Dorothy Beaupre by Margie and Mike Logan  
For the People

**Adoration Chapel**

During this Lenten season, we can enrich our preparation for Easter. "Spend some quiet time with the Lord" Current open hours are as follows:

Mon	Tues	Thurs	Fri	Sat
10pm	12mn	4am	12mn	11am
11pm		8am	3am	
		7pm	11pm	
		8pm		
		11pm		

**HOLY WEEK/EASTER SCHEDULE**

March 20th	Holy Thursday	Soup Supper in Duffey Hall – 5:30 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper and commissioning of all Eucharistic Ministers - 7pm
March 21st	Good Friday	Stations of the Cross at 1:00 pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion at 7:00pm
March 22nd	Holy Saturday	Easter Vigil at 7:30 pm
March 23rd	Easter Sunday	Masses at 8:30am, 10:00am, and 11:30am

**FESTIVAL NEWS**

**SUMMERFEST 2008 planning has begun.** Our summer festival dates this year are May 30<sup>th</sup>, May 31<sup>st</sup>, and June 1<sup>st</sup>. The next planning meeting will be Wednesday March 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm

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

## FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

**The Silent Auction** team needs your help. Call Mary Martha Costello at 544-0473 or Rosemary Armour at 357-0284 if you or your employer can donate new goods or services valued in excess of \$25.00.

### School News

REGISTRATION FORMS for the 08-09 school year have already been sent home with current students. If you need a form contact the school office, 353-2282. Registration is through Tuesday, March 25. Any registrations after that dates will pay the late registration fee. Current registration fees are \$50 for preschool and \$100 for K-8. Registration is not complete until all fees have been paid.

### DATES TO REMEMBER March 9 – March 16, 2008

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP
<b>Sunday</b>	Parish Center	8:30 am	Children's Liturgy
	School	9:30 am	Religious Education
	Parish Center	9:30 am	Religious Ed Teen Group
	Duffey Hall	9:30 am	Coffee and Donuts
	Church	6:00 pm	RCIA 3 <sup>rd</sup> Scrutiny
	Parish Center	7:00 pm	Confirmation
<b>Monday</b>	Scout Room	6:00 pm	Wolf Scouts
	Holy Family	6:00 pm	Girl Scouts #403
	John 23 <sup>rd</sup>	6:30 pm	First Communion Prep Monday Evening group
	St. Jerome	7:00 pm	Prayer group
	Scout Room	7:00 pm	Webelo Scouts
	Duffey Hall	7:00 pm	Financial Peace
	St. Therese	7:00 pm	Child Care for Financial Peace
<b>Tuesday</b>	Duffey Hall	6:30 pm	PTO Business Meeting
	Parish Center	7:00 pm	RCIA
	Church	7:30 pm	Choir
<b>Wednesday</b>	St. Patrick	9:30 am	Bible Study
	Church/Parish Center	11:00 am	Adventuresome Group
	Scout Room	5:00 pm	Girl Scouts #787
	St. Therese	6:30 pm	PTO Board Meeting
	St. Patrick	7:00 pm	Parish Council
	Scout Room	7:00 pm	Bear Scouts
<b>Thursday</b>	Church	7:00 pm	Parish Penance Service
	Duffey Hall	8:00 pm	LFAA
	Parish Center	8:00 pm	AA
<b>Friday</b>	Duffey Hall	4:30 pm	Fish Fry
	Parish Center	4:45 pm	Market Day
	Gym	8:00 pm	Adult Volleyball
<b>Saturday</b>	St. Therese	7:00 am	Men's Prayer Group
	Parish Center	8:30 am	RCIA Retreat
<b>Sunday</b>	Meet in Cafe	10:00 am	Confirmation Retreat
	Church	8:30 am	Children's Liturgy
	School	9:30 am	Religious Education
	Duffey Hall	9:30 am	Coffee and Donuts

## PLEASE RETURN YOUR BABY BANKS WITH YOUR SAVED CHANGE TO CHURCH NEXT WEEKEND.



**Next Friday is your last chance!** Serving takes place from 4:30 pm until 7:30 pm. and carry out service is available. **Our Ladies Club is providing desserts. If you can help, please bring your dessert to the kitchen on Friday afternoon.** Word of mouth is our best advertising. Spread the word! Invite your family and friends! Let's make this last one a huge success!

### PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

Please attend this month's meeting scheduled for this Wednesday, March 12th at 7pm in the St. Patrick room of the Parish Center. Our guest will be Sue Weber from the Indianapolis Center for Congregations who will discuss the use of Appreciative Inquiry as a planning process. Your attendance at this meeting is very important.

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

Weekly Budget Goal	\$ 13,650.00
Collection of March 1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup>	\$ 13,426.53
Electronic Contribution 2/26 to 3/4	\$ 3,581.25
Year to Date Budget Goal	\$ 491,400.00
Year to Date Collections	\$ 489,814.48
Year to Date DEFICIT	\$ - 1,585.52

#### Home Improvement Fund

January Contributions	\$ 1,458.00
February Contributions	\$ 1,593.00
March Contributions	\$ 844.00

#### Godparent Program for Tuition Assistance

2008 Contributions to date	\$ 3,805.00
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#### THANK YOU!

#### Legacy for our Mission Capital Campaign

As of 12/30/2007

Amount Pledged	\$898,165.00
Amount Received on Pledges	\$583,575.00
Pledges available for use for brick project	\$311,849.00

### Youth News

(grades 8 thru 12)

**Youth choir** - We will practice on Sunday, March 16<sup>th</sup> from 7pm until 8:30 pm in church.. New members are welcome

**Youth room** - Due to a busy confirmation schedule and Easter, youth room will not be open again until Sunday, March 30<sup>th</sup>



We can earn an additional \$1000 if we collect 72.86 tons of paper between October and the end of March! Our progress is noted below.....and we have quite a bit of catching up to do if we are going to make it. All of our totals are based on what we collected at the same time last year. **Tell your friends and neighbors!**

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<b>Month</b>	<b>Amt. Needed</b>	<b>Collected to date</b>
October thru January	43.11 tons	39.43 tons
February (thru 2/22/08)	8.44 tons	6.68 tons
March	21.31 tons	
Total to date	72.86 tons	46.11 tons