



Dear Parish Family,

In last Sunday's homily, I talked about Pope Benedict XVI's pastoral visit to the United States from April 15-20.

The Indianapolis Archdiocese Youth Ministry was given 50 tickets for high school students to attend the youth gathering with Pope Benedict XVI on Saturday,

April 19, 2008. David Leszcynski, a Little Flower parishioner and a junior at Seccina Memorial High School, was selected to attend this amazing opportunity. The students selected were given the opportunity to gather together for three days of prayer, catechesis, and community while strengthening their Catholic identity in the presence of our Holy Father.

Last Monday we buried Rose Priller. Rose was one member of one of the founding families of the parish. She loved Little Flower and served the parish in all kinds of ways over the years. Most recently, she served as the school librarian. Shortly after I came in 2003, she told me that she had to stop coming. She was occasionally passing out and falling, and she was afraid that if it happened at school, the children would be frightened. Thanks to Rose for sharing so much of her time, talent, and treasure with Little Flower since the foundation of the parish. Please pray for her family.

This month I have two weddings at another parish. **Therefore, there will be no confessions this Saturday, May 10, or Saturday, May 31.**

Have a wonderful week.

fr. bob

Adventuresome Group

The Adventuresome Group will meet on Wednesday, May 14 for a special presentation. Annie Kerns, Co-ordinator of Crime Watch programs for IMPD, will give a presentation about improving safety in our neighborhoods. We'll begin with Mass at 11 am, followed by lunch and our program. Please call the Parish Center to RSVP.

Many of you may remember Andy Minton, a former parishioner and the architect who worked on our sanctuary renovation. Andy is part of the National Guard unit that is currently deployed in Iraq. Please keep Andy, his wife Teresa, and their children Ashley, Hannah, Katie, and Ben in your prayers. Teresa says that getting mail "just makes Andy's day". If you would like to drop Andy a note, use the following address.

Major Andy Minton
HHC 76 IBCT / Mayor Cell
LSA Anaconda, Balad, Iraq
APO AE 09391

Youth News

(grades 8 thru 12)

Youth choir - We will sing at 6pm Mass on Sunday, May 4th. Please meet at 5pm in church.

Youth room - Youth room will be open on Sunday May 4th, from after the 6pm Mass until 8:30 pm. All are welcome



Mass Intentions

MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 5 – MAY 11, 2008

- 05 May Monday**
7:00 am Communion Service
5:30 pm Ella Therese McMahon by Grandma Carol
- 06 May Tuesday**
8:30 am Communion Service
5:30 pm Catherine Dangler by Bob Dangler
- 07 May Wednesday**
8:30 am Mary C. O'Brien by Maureen Merkley
5:30 pm Communion Service
- 08 May Thursday**
8:30 am Violet Popp by Richard and Mary Ann Moreland
5:30 pm Communion Service
- 09 May Friday**
8:30 am Delia Gilday
5:30 am Communion Service
- 10 May Saturday – Vigil Pentecost**
8:30 am Communion Service
5:00 pm For the People
- 11 May Sunday – Pentecost Sunday**
8:30 am Frances Sodeman by Little Flower Ladies Club
10:30 am Freda Jines by Marylyn and Merrill Blackwell
6:00 pm Mary Carrico by Louie Carrico

DATES TO REMEMBER

May 5 – May 11, 2008

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP
Sunday	Parish Center	8:30 am	Children's Liturgy
	Duffey Hall	9:30 am	Coffee and Donuts
	Church	8:30 am	Rite of Going Forth 1 st Communion
Monday	Scout Room	6:00 pm	Wolf Scouts
	Holy Family	6:00 pm	LFNA Garden Club
	John 23 rd	6:30 pm	Spanish Class
	St. Patrick	7:00 pm	SVDP
	St. Therese	7:00 pm	Prayer Group
	Scout Room	7:00 pm	Webelo Scouts
Tuesday	Church	7:30 pm	Choir
Wednesday	St. Patrick	9:30 am	Bible Study
	Scout Room	2:30 pm	Girl Scouts #799
	Scout Room	5:00 pm	Girl Scouts #787
	John 23 rd	7:00 pm	School Commission
	Scout Room	7:00 pm	Bear Scouts
Thursday	Duffey Hall	8:00 pm	Athletic Association
	Parish Center	8:00 pm	AA
Saturday	St. Therese	7:00 am	Men's Prayer Group
	The Links		Golf Outing
Sunday	Happy Mother's Day		
	Parish Center	8:30 am	Children's Liturgy
	Duffey Hall	9:30 am	Mother's Day Breakfast
	St. Therese	1:00 pm	Franciscan Assoc.

The family of Rose Priller would like to thank Fr. Bob, Georgia, Tom, and the ladies who prepared and served the luncheon after Rose's funeral for their help, support, and encouragement in the days following Rose's death.

61st Annual Mother's Day Breakfast

The 61st annual Mother's Day breakfast will be Sunday, May 11, 2008 following the 8:30 am Mass. Doors open at 9:30 am and serving will begin at 10 am in Duffy Hall. All current and past adult women of the parish, 18 years and older, are invited. (No children please). All men are invited to help serve breakfast. Sponsored by The Little Flower Athletic Association.

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

Weekly Budget Goal	\$	13,650.00
Collection of April 12 th and 13 th	\$	12,980.34
Electronic Contribution 4/8 to 4/14	\$	427.00
Collection of April 19 th and 20 th	\$	9,194.41
Electronic Contribution 4/15 to 4/21	\$	3,634.00
Collection of April 26 th and 27 th	\$	10,178.05
Electronic Contribution 4/22 to 4/28	\$	427.00
Year to Date Budget Goal	\$	600,600.00
Year to Date Collections	\$	598,259.16
Year to Date DEFICIT	\$	- 2,340.84

Home Improvement Fund

January Contributions	\$	1,458.00
February Contributions	\$	1,593.00
March Contributions	\$	1,234.00
April Contributions	\$	1,228.75

Godparent Program for Tuition Assistance

2008 Contributions to date	\$	6,863.00
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THANK YOU!

Legacy for our Mission Capital Campaign

As of 2/28/2008

Amount Pledged	\$	903,165.00
Amount Received on Pledges	\$	622,040.00
Pledges available for use for brick project	\$	359,540.00



The next Baptism Preparation Class is Monday, May 12th 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 July.



GOLFERS

Less than one week til the big day and we need your help! Our annual Fr. Robert Borchertmeyer Golf Outing will be **SATURDAY, May 10th**. Proceeds will benefit the Little Flower School Godparent Program. Business sponsorships at several levels are also available. Call the parish center at 357-8352 or Kevin Egan at 351-1074 for last minute registration information.

NIA fitness classes continue at Holy Cross Catholic Church, 125 N. Oriental St., 46202, on the near eastside of Indianapolis. Classes meet every Monday, 5:45-6:45 p.m. in Kelley Gym, \$5 per class with first class free. Taught by Robin Cora, certified NIA instructor. NIA (Neuromuscular Integrative Action) blends dance, martial arts, and movement therapy into a fun class, safe and adaptable for all fitness levels. For more information, contact Jan Erlenbaugh Gaddis at Holy Cross, 637-2620 ext. 406; jerenbaugh@holycrossindy.org.



**BIG EVENT
FESTIVAL NEWS**

Our summer festival dates this year are May 30th, May 31st, and June 1st. **The next planning meeting will be Monday, May 12 at 8:00 pm in the parish center.**

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

Donations must be in by MAY 16th to allow time for sorting and pricing.

Silent Auction Donations are coming in SLOWLY! Please 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. The silent auction is a large part of festival profits and your help is much needed.

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, ask them to call Tom at the parish center. If you prefer, you can leave their name and address for Tom and he will mail information to them.

YARD SIGNS - DO YOU LIVE ON A BUSY STREET? Call Jeannie at the Parish Center at 357-8352 if you are willing to display a yard sign advertising the festival. Please call the parish center even if you had a sign last year, so we know it is OK to place one in your yard again.

Over the next two weekends you will have the opportunity to sign up to volunteer for SUMMERFEST. Check the sign-up sheets in the gathering area after all Masses beginning next weekend.

RAFFLE TICKETS- 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 18th. 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.

Presale tickets for dinners and rides will be available in church beginning May 17th and in the Parish Office beginning May 14th. Buy early and save!

**FAMOUS JONAH FISH FRY AT THIS YEAR'S
FESTIVAL ON FRIDAY NIGHT.
DETAILS AVAILABLE SOON!**