

WORD,
Let Your Face Shine On Us.

Dear Parish Family and Visitors,

Today twenty-two second graders will receive their First Communion at the 10:30 a.m. Mass. We congratulate them and their families. Special thanks to Lisa Gibbons, Julie Mennel, and Madelynn Miller who have prepared them for First Communion.

I am always moved by our First Communicants' faith in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. Many recent surveys have shown that many adult Catholics no longer believe in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. Perhaps this is the meaning of Jesus' words in the Gospel:

At that time the disciples approached Jesus and said, "Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?" He called a child over, placed it in their midst, and said, "Amen, I say to you, unless you turn and become like children, you will not enter the kingdom of heaven..." [Mt. 18:1-3].

As we pray for them, perhaps we should also pray for ourselves, i.e., that our faith in the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist will be strengthened.

Next Sunday, May 3, at 3:00 p.m. at Lucas Oil Stadium, Archbishop Daniel will celebrate a Jubilee Mass commemorating the 175th anniversary of the founding of the Diocese of Vincennes, which later became the Diocese of Indianapolis and then the Archdiocese of Indianapolis. Everyone is invited. A letter from Archbishop Daniel was included in last Sunday's bulletin. Our Confirmation candidates will be confirmed along with confirmation candidates throughout the Archdiocese. Also, Golden Wedding Jubilarians, Religious Jubilarians, and First Communicants will be recognized. The doors to the stadium will open to the public at 1 p.m. Choirs will perform before the Mass starting at 1:30 p.m. Videos highlighting the history of the Archdiocese will also be shown before the Mass. **Because of this 3 p.m. Mass, there will not be a 6:00 p.m. Mass here at Little Flower on Sunday, May 3.**

Finally, **Rosemary Cleveland**, a former parishioner and mother of S. Jean Marie Cleveland, will be 99 on May 4. If anyone would like to send her a card, her address is 2345 West 86th St. Apt. #301, Indianapolis, IN 46260.

Have a wonderful week.

fr. bob



Please welcome into our Christian Community Olivia Marie, daughter of Bradley and Jamie (Rifenburg) Ringer, Braison Anthony, son of Mark Curtis and Megan Brake, Cecilia Elizabeth, daughter of Jeff and Katie (Koehl) Lyons who were baptized on Sunday, April 19, 2009.

Youth News

(grades 8 thru 12)

Youth Choir will sing at Mass on Sunday, April 26th. Please arrive in church at 5pm.

Congratulations to Senior Abby Foor of Scecina Memorial High School, and graduate of Little Flower School, who was named a 2009 Indianapolis Star All-Star Regional honoree.



Masses of the Week

FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 27 – MAY 3, 2009

- 27 April Monday**
7:00 am Communion Service
5:30 pm Ellen Ginther
- 28 April Tuesday**
8:30 am Communion Service
5:30 pm Jim Freeland by Dorothy Spalding
- 29 April Wednesday**
8:30 am John Wurz by Helen Allison
5:30 pm Communion Service
- 30 April Thursday**
8:30 am Jerry Forestal by Pat Reese and Family
5:30 pm Communion Service
- 01 May Friday**
8:30 am Berry Gavaghan by Ray and Kathleen Okerson
5:30 pm Communion Service
- 02 May Saturday**
8:30 am Communion Service
5:00 pm Vigil – For the People
- 03 May Sunday**
8:30 am Bernice VanNoy by David and Charlotte Allstatt
10:30 am Adeline Batten by The Little Flower Ladies Club

SPECIAL NOTE!

Due to the celebration of the 175th anniversary of the Archdiocese at Lucas Oil Stadium on Sunday, May 3rd at 3 pm, THERE WILL BE NO 6 PM MASS ON THAT DAY.



Dates to Remember

April 26 – May 3, 2009

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP
Sunday	Duffey Hall	9:30 am	Coffee & Donuts
	Church	10:30 am	1 st Communion Mass
	Church	6:00 pm	Confirmation - Rite of Sending
	Parish Center	7:00 pm	Confirmation
Monday	Holy Family	6:00 pm	Tiger Scouts
	John 23 rd	6:30 pm	First Communion Prep
	St. Patrick	7:00 pm	Welcoming Committee
Tuesday	Church	7:00 pm	Adult Choir
	St. Patrick	7:00 pm	RCIA
Wednesday	St. Patrick	9:30 pm	Bible Study
	Scout Room	5:00 pm	Brownie Troop 02443
	Scout Room	7:00 pm	Webelos
Thursday	Duffey Hall	6:30 pm	PTO Business Mtg
	St. Therese	8:00 pm	A.A.
Friday	Church	8:30 am	May Crowning
	Scout Room	3:30 pm	Girl Scouts #787
	Gym	7:00 pm	Spring Musical
	Gym	8:00 pm	Adult Volleyball
Saturday	St. Therese	7:00 am	Men's Prayer Group
	Gym	7:00 pm	Spring Musical
Sunday	Church	8:30 am	Rite of Going Forth-1 st Communion
	Duffey Hall	9:30 am	Coffee & Donuts
	Lucas Oil	3:00 pm	Confirmation

Annual Mother's Day Breakfast

The annual Mother's Day breakfast will be Sunday, May 10, 2009 following the 8:30 am Mass. Doors open at 9:30 am and serving

SCECINA STUDENT NAMED ACADEMIC ALL-STAR

THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

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.



Support Little Flower by shopping at Angel's Corner anytime during the month of April. The timing is perfect for purchasing First Communion and Confirmation religious articles for the upcoming celebration of these sacraments. This offer includes all other regularly stocked items as well. Mention Little Flower when you make and 10% of the purchase amount will be donated to Little Flower!

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

Weekly Budget Goal	\$ 14,000.00
Collection of April 18 th and 19 th	\$ 9,719.77
Electronic Contribution 4/14 to 4/20	\$ 4,975.64
Year to Date Budget Goal	\$ 588,000.00
Year to Date Collections	\$ 575,637.11
Year to Date DEFICIT	\$ - 12,362.89

Home Improvement Fund

March Contributions	\$ 2,846.18
April Contributions (to date)	\$ 1,952.00

ANNUAL GODPARENT COLLECTION

Year-to-date \$ 8,710.00

Please help this month if possible!

Legacy for our Mission Capital Campaign

As of 2/27/2009

Amount Pledged	\$903,955.00
Amount Received on Pledges	\$750,327.00
Pledges still outstanding	\$133,842.00



Session 8 for team, candidates, AND SPONSORS will be Sunday April 26th. We will begin with the rite of sending at the 6pm Mass, and meet in the parish center following Mass.

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

We have a parishioner who has a Craftmatic Automatic Adjustable full size bed for sale. The bed comes complete with a mattress and massager. If interested, please contact Peggy Clegg at the Parish Center.



Thank You We would like to take this opportunity to thank Fr. Bob, the parish staff and all of the parishioners at Little Flower for the outpouring of care, concern, and support during our recent illnesses. Your prayers, phone calls, cards, taxi cab services and visits, to both our home and the hospital, helped to brighten our days and make a difficult time a little easier to bear. Please know of our best wishes for each and every one of you. May God continue to bless you as you have blessed us! Jo Ann and Charlie Bauerle.

GOLFERS- IT'S TIME TO REGISTER

Less than two weeks until the big day and we need your help! – WE NEED MORE GOLFERS!

Our annual Fr. Robert Borchertmeyer Golf Outing will be Friday, May 8th. Proceeds will benefit the Little Flower School Godparent

Program. Business sponsorships are at several levels are also available. Information/registration forms are available at each of the church doors. Call the parish center if you need a form mailed to you, or call Kevin Egan at 351-1074 for more information.

FESTIVAL NEWS

May 29th, May 30th, and May 31st.

Next planning meeting, Thursday, May 7th, at 7pm

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.

For Rummage Sale donations, please bring them to the parish center or call Debbie Belles at 359-4288. We are especially interested this year in used books that we will then sell throughout the festival.

For the Silent Auction 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 you help is much needed.**

RAFFLE TICKETS were mailed this week. 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. Also, the seller of each of the winning tickets drawn at the festival will receive \$100.00.

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.



The Adventuresome Group will meet again on **May 13th**, following the 11:00am Mass in the Parish Center.

This month's speaker will be Monica Woodsworth. Monica works for the Archdiocese of Indianapolis, as the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) Coordinator and Caregiver Liaison. She will speak about volunteer opportunities available for seniors and on resources that are available for caregivers. This should be a very informative presentation! **If you bring someone new to the meeting, you will receive a surprise!** Mark your calendar and plan on attending. Lunch will be provided! Please call the Parish Office and let us know you are coming!

JOIN THE BATTLE

The lives of unborn babies are being threatened today as never before. C-Fam, The Catholic Family & Human Rights Institute, reports that the United Nations Population Fund lobbyist is threatening many small nations that if they do not vote in favor of abortion, their relief aid will be cut drastically. In the United States, the "Mexico City Policy" which prevented US funds from supporting abortion has been reversed. There is a serious threat to the Conscience clause

that protects Health Care Professionals and INSTITUTIONS, Go on-line and join the Saint Michael the Archangel Organization in their ONE MILLION ROSARIES FOR LIFE CAMPAIGN, May 1, 2, and 3, 2009. Our Lady of the Rosary will not let us down. www.saintmichaellhearchangelorganization.org
OUR VERY FUTURE IS AT STAKE!