

**FOR THE WEEK OF August 24 - 30, 2009**

**Dear Parish Family,**

Next Sunday, August 30, is our parish picnic beginning immediately after the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Please check out the announcement elsewhere in the bulletin and PLEASE COME! Also, please note that the north end of the parking lot will be closed after the 8:30 a.m. Mass.

As was announced last Sunday, RCIA (the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) begins on Tuesday, September 8, at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Center. We ask you to think about people you know who might be interested in just learning about the Catholic faith or perhaps becoming Catholic. If you let us know about them, we will invite them. Of course, it cannot hurt if you would also like to invite them. Finally, we ask for your prayers throughout the coming year for everyone involved in the RCIA process.

Also, I would encourage parents of children who do not attend Little Flower School to enroll your children in our Sunday Religious Education program. The Sunday Religious Education program for kindergarten through eighth grade will begin this year on Sunday, September 20, from 9:30 a.m. to 10:25 a.m.

At the baptism of your children, you were reminded that parents are the primary teachers of their children in the ways of faith. This means at least two things. It is important that you share your faith with your children by word and example. Prayer at home and weekly Mass attendance are the best ways to do this. However, it is also important that you provide them with formal religious instruction.

Currently, we are seeking new members up to four new members for the Liturgy Commission, including two teenagers. If you might be interested, please check out the bulletin announcement concerning the Liturgy Commission.

The Parish Council is continuing its work of strategic planning based on results from *Appreciative Inquiry*. Also, work is beginning on preparing the *Appreciative Inquiry* report to the parish.

Finally, please do not leave religious literature at the doors of church without checking with me. We have even found so-called Catholic material that is contrary to Catholic faith. When we find any of these materials, we remove them.

Have a wonderful week.

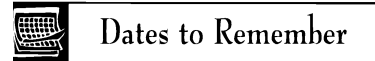
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**Good News about Little Flower School:** Little Flower students wrote, presented, and received a grant from Youth As Resources. The \$1,200 grant was used to put on a Senior Citizens Prom—Young At Heart.



Do you know someone who is searching for a faith community or someone who has been away from the Church? The RCIA Team would like to help you invite them to explore the Catholic Church. **The sessions begin on Tuesday, Sept 8th from 7 – 9pm.** If you would like us to send an invitation or if you have any questions, please call or email Lisa at 357-8352 or lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org. Or, you may drop their name in the basket located on the altar.

- 24 Aug** **Monday**  
7:00 am Communion Service  
5:30 pm The Intentions of Dick and Peg Kramer on their 40<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary
- 25 Aug** **Tuesday**  
8:30 am Communion Service  
5:30 pm James Gilday
- 26 Aug** **Wednesday**  
8:30 am Special Intention  
5:30 pm Communion Service
- 27 Aug** **Thursday**  
8:30 am Communion Service  
1:30 pm Crestwood – Bud Moody by Alvina Wurz  
5:30 pm Communion Service
- 28 Aug** **Friday**  
8:30 am John Clegg by Terry and Mary Jo O'Hara  
5:30 pm Communion Service
- 29 Aug** **Saturday**  
8:30 am Communion Service  
5:00 pm **Vigil** – The 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Stephen Schmidt by Betty Schmidt
- 30 Aug** **Sunday** –The 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
8:30 am Eva Hodgson by The Little Flower Ladies Club  
10:30 am John Huser by Pat Reese and Family  
6:00 pm For the People



**August 23 - 30, 2009**

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP
<b>Sunday</b>	St. Patrick	8:30 am	Children's Liturgy
	Social Hall	9:30 am	Coffee and Donuts
	Parish Center	7:00 pm	Youth Room
<b>Monday</b>	Scout Room	6:00 pm	Weblos I
	Holy Family	6:00 pm	Wolf Scout
	St. Patrick	7:00 pm	Baptism Class
<b>Wednesday</b>	St. Patrick	9:30 am	Bible Study
	St. Patrick	7:00 pm	Liturgy Committee
<b>Thursday</b>	Scout Room	6:30 pm	Weblos II
	Duffey Hall	6:30 pm	Boys Scouts Back to School Night
	St. Patrick	7:00 pm	Stewardship Commission
	St. Therese	7pm	AA
<b>Saturday</b>	St. Therese	7:00 am	Men's Prayer Group
<b>Sunday</b>	Parish Center	8:30 am	Children's Liturgy
	Parish Grounds	11:30 am	Parish Picnic



**NEWLY BAPTIZED**

Please welcome into our Christian Community James and Jocelynn, children of James C. Dubar I and Jennifer Arnold, baptized on Sunday, August 16, 2009.



There will be a collection for our parish SVDP on the weekend of August 29<sup>th</sup> and August 30<sup>th</sup>. Please be a generous as you can and use the envelope provided in your regular envelope packet.



**LITURGY COMMISSION**

Several long-standing members have just retired from our Liturgy Commission. This is your big chance to make a difference in the most important thing we do at Little Flower. This committee meets only 8 times per year on the 4th Wednesday of the month. It is so necessary to have a full committee in order to plan high quality liturgies. We are specifically seeking members in the high school/college age bracket, as well as members of any age from the parish at large. The requirements are dedication to liturgy and willingness to learn what you don't already know. Good leadership and organizational skills are also a plus. Please search your heart and see if God might be calling you to serve Him and the parish in this way, and join us on Wednesday, August 26<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the Parish Center.



Our Parish Picnic, sponsored by the Family Life Commission, will be on Sunday, August 30<sup>th</sup>, following the 10:30 a.m. Mass. PLEASE SEE INSERT IN THE BULLETIN FOR MORE INFORMATION.

Please contact Peggy Clegg at the Parish Center, 357-8352, if you are available to help set up. Remember, many hands make light work!!

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

Weekly Budget Goal	\$	14,000.00
Collection of August 15 <sup>th</sup> and 16 <sup>th</sup>	\$	8,191.70
Electronic Contribution 8/11 to 8/17	\$	4,724.64
Year to Date Budget Goal	\$	96,250.00
Year to Date Collections	\$	91,683.72
<b>YEAR-TO-DATE DEFICIT</b>	\$ -	<b>4,566.28</b>

**Home Improvement Fund**

March Contributions	\$	2,846.18
April Contributions	\$	2,038.00
May Contributions	\$	2,067.00
June Contributions	\$	2,087.00
July Contributions	\$	2,107.00
August Contributions (to date)	\$	2,061.00

**Legacy for our Mission Capital Campaign**

As of 7/31/2009

Amount Pledged	\$903,955.00
Amount Received on Pledges	\$757,175.00
<b>Pledges still outstanding</b>	<b>\$105,681.00</b>

**STEWARDSHIP OF TIME AND TALENT!**

Thanks to all who came and supported our school clean-up day last Saturday! Your help is much appreciated



**Religious Education**

If you have a child entering Kindergarten through Eighth grade, that does not attend Catholic School; Little Flower offers Religious Education classes beginning Sunday, September 20<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 am to 10:25 am. The cost is \$40

per child. Please contact Lisa at 357-8352 or email [lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org](mailto:lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org) to register.



Scecina's girls volleyball will host a car wash at the Steer In parking lot at 10<sup>th</sup> and Emerson this Sunday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> from 9am until 5pm.

Donation will be accepted. Steer In will offer a free soft drink with any purchase. Come and support Scecina Girl's Volleyball. Thank You!!



(grades 8 thru 12)

YOUTH CHOIR will sing at 6pm Mass on Sunday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> and Sunday, September 6th, meeting in church at 5pm,

YOUTH ROOM will be open on Sunday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>, following the 6pm Mass, until 8:30 pm. All are welcome.



The next Baptism Preparation Class is Monday, August 24<sup>th</sup> 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 October 26<sup>th</sup>.



**First Communion**

If you have a son or daughter entering 2<sup>nd</sup> grade or above who has not made their First Eucharist please call Lisa at the Parish Center at 357-8352 ext. 33 or email [lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org](mailto:lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org) for an enrollment form.



**ALTAR SERVER MEETING AND SIGN UPS**

Students entering 6<sup>th</sup> grade or above are invited to become Altar Servers. There will be an information meeting for parents and child on Sunday, September 13<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am in the Parish Center. Please come and check out this special ministry in our parish. If you have any questions please contact Lisa at 357-8352 ext. 33 or [lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org](mailto:lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org).

**45<sup>th</sup> Class Reunion, Scecina Memorial High School**

Scecina Memorial High School Class of 1964 is planning a 45-year class reunion on Sept. 12<sup>th</sup> at the Garrison Restaurant at Fr. Benjamin Harrison, 6002 N. Post Rd. Mass, 5:30pm, dinner, 7pm. Information/reservations: Mary Ann (Arszman) Engstrom, 317-709-4508 or [maengstrom@live.com](mailto:maengstrom@live.com).

Individuals and families whose lives have been impacted by divorce are invited to attend a Mass and Social Gathering on Sunday, Sept. 20<sup>th</sup> at St. Alphonsus Church, 1870 W. Oak St, Zionsville, IN, from 2-4pm. Rev. Dan David, O.P. will be the celebrant. Divorce Ministry Leadership from the Archdiocese of Indianapolis and the Diocese of Lafayette will act as hosts for the events. For additional information please contact The Office for Family Ministries at 236-1586 or 1-800-382-9836 or email [mhess@archindy.org](mailto:mhess@archindy.org).