



This is my Beloved SON, My favor rests on Him.

Dear Parish Family,

Today we celebrate the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. Today marks the end of the Liturgical Season of Christmas.

Monday begins Ordinary Time. During Ordinary Time, we wear green vestments. Traditionally green has been the symbol of hope. Hope

has at least two dimensions: trust and waiting. Someone once defined hope as "confident awaiting." As Christians, we are confident that God will fulfill his promises. Ultimately, it is our hope in God that allows us to have confidence that tomorrow can and will be better than today.

Have a wonderful week.

fr. bob

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NEWLY BAPTIZED

Please welcome into our Christian Community Shea Elaine, daughter of James (Cory) and Carissa (Schneider)

McNulty baptized on Sunday, December 28, 2008.



This weekend we will begin the preparation period for our 2nd graders in our parish who are preparing to receive Jesus in Communion for the first time with the Rite of Enrollment at the 8:30 am

Mass. This is a great joy for our whole community; please try to support the children and families on their spiritual journey by offering them the witness of our faith and prayers.

Youth News

(grades 8 thru 12)

Youth Choir will practice Sunday January 18th from 7pm until 8:30 pm in church. New members are always welcome.

Due to a busy confirmation schedule, youth room will not be open again until Sunday, January 25th after the 6pm Mass until 8:30 pm.



Session 4 will then take place for candidates and team only on **Sunday, January 11th** following the 6pm Mass. Please meet in the parish center.



MASS Schedule

FOR THE WEEK OF JAN. 12 - 18, 2009

- 12 January**
8:30 am Communion Service
5:30 pm Dorothy Moody by Bob and Bobbie Lawless
- 13 January**
8:30 am Communion Service
5:30 pm Elinore Johnson by Anne Hall
- 14 January**
8:30 am Communion Service
5:30 pm Communion Service
- 15 January**
8:30 am Communion Service
1:30 pm Greentree – Eileen Reel by Bill and Marcia Ruona
5:30 pm Communion Service
- 16 January**
8:30 am Rita Ernstes by Lucy Corder
5:30 pm Communion Service
- 17 January**
8:30 am Communion Service
5:00 pm Vigil- Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Michael Donahue by Clara Donahue
- 18 January**
8:30 am Sunday – Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
10:30 am Dorothea Fleak by Little Flower School
6:00 pm Marcia Duncan by Dr. John P. Fleming
For the People



Dates to Remember

January 11 - 18, 2009

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP
Sunday	Church	8:30 am	First Communion - Rite of Enrollment
	Duffey Hall	9:30 am	Coffee and Donuts
	School	9:30 am	Religious Education
	St. Therese	1:30 pm	Franciscan Associates
	Parish Center	7:15 pm	Confirmation Meeting
Monday	Scout Room	6:00 pm	Bear Scouts
	Holy Family	6:00 pm	Tiger Scout
	John 23 rd	6:30 pm	Religious Education First Communion Prep
	St. Therese	7:00 pm	Prayer Group
Tuesday	Parish Center	7:00 pm	RCIA
	Church	7:30 pm	Adult Choir
Wednesday	St. Patrick	9:30 am	Bible Study
	St. Therese	6:30 pm	PTO Board Meeting
	St. Patrick	7:00 pm	Parish Pastoral Council
	Scout Room	7:00 pm	Webelos
Thursday	St. Patrick	6:30 pm	Bible Study
	Duffey Hall	6:30 pm	PTO Business Meeting
	St. Therese	8:00 pm	A.A.
Friday	Duffey Hall	4:45 pm	Market Day Pick-up
Saturday	St. Therese	7:00 am	Men's Prayer Group
	Duffey Hall	7:00 pm	Middle School Dance
Sunday	Duffey Hall	9:30 am	Coffee and Donut
	School	9:30 am	Religious Education

The parish office will be closed on Monday, January 19th in recognition of Martin Luther King Day.

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

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

Weekly Budget Goal	\$ 14,000.00
Collection of December 27 th and 28 th	\$ 10,481.56
Electronic Contribution 12/23 to 12/29	\$ 642.00
Collection of January 3 rd and 4 th	\$ 12,270.78
Electronic Contribution 12/30 to 1/6	\$ 4,106.25
Year to Date Budget Goal	\$ 378,000.00
Year to Date Collections	\$ 365,576.03
Year to Date DEFICIT	\$ - 12,423.97

Home Improvement Fund

October Contributions	\$ 1,354.00
November Contributions	\$ 1,267.25
December Contributions	\$ 1,139.00
January Contribution (to date)	\$ 790.00

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

Right to Life of Indianapolis will once again sponsor the annual Memorial Service for the Unborn on January 25, 2009. This event will take place from 3-4 p.m. in the Indiana War Memorial Auditorium, located on the corner of Michigan and Meridian Streets in downtown Indianapolis. We hope to provide an opportunity to commemorate all of the unborn who have died since Roe V Wade. During this event we will have pray, testimony, and music along with our annual Rose Ceremony. Following the Memorial Service, we invite everyone to participate in a prayerful walk to Monument Circle. This event is free and open to the public.

Saint Meinrad Archabbey Upcoming Retreats

Feb. 13-15, 2009 Fr. Noel Mueller, OSB

Speaking LOVE: A Couples Retreat -As human beings we speak many languages besides our native spoken language. One of the great keys to success in building and deepening relationships is learning how to speak these various languages of love. This retreat will introduce a practical way of increasing our fluency in speaking love to our beloved and to our friends. Audio-visual aids will enhance the instruction and a romantic dinner will allow us to speak boldly our love. (Fee \$375 double).

Feb. 27- Mar. 1, 2009 Br. John Mark Falkenhain, OSB

Monastic Practices: Drawing Everyday Wisdom from the Monastic Life: There appears to be a growing interest in the monastic life among people of all lifestyles – and no wonder! For centuries, the monastic life has provided monks and nuns with disciplines and practices aimed at helping them maintain balanced, healthy, and centered lifestyles while they “prefer nothing to Christ.” But these practices are not only for monks. Join us as we explore practices such as silence, prayer, work, simplicity, solitude, and celebration, and the benefits they have for all of our lives. (Fee \$225 single, \$375 double).

To register or for more information please call toll free number 1-800-581-6905.

COMING SOON! FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY

The pressures of today's economy weigh heavily on many people. With this in mind, Little Flower Church will be sponsoring a repeat session of Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University, a program that focuses on good money management for people of all income brackets!

Financial Peace University is a life-changing program that teaches you how to make the right decisions with your money. You'll be empowered with the practical skills and confidence needed to achieve your financial goals and experience true financial peace

Each of the 13 Lessons deals with a different topic that will **change the way you think about personal finance**. Dave teaches about how to save money, live on a budget, communicate about money, eliminate debt, find bargains, and experience the joy of giving.

In FPU, you will meet with your class each week to watch a video lesson and participate in discussion groups that will **change how you think about money**. Dave explains how money really works in a **simple, easy-to-understand style**. You'll actually have fun as you learn!

Learn more about FPU by attending a preview meeting on Sunday, January 18th following the 8:30am Mass, Monday, January 19th at 7pm, OR Wednesday, January 21st at 7pm. The meetings will be held in the school cafeteria. Child Care will be provided.

The classes will be held on Monday evenings, most likely beginning on February 2nd.

For more information, please visit www.daveramsey.com and follow the links to Financial Peace University, or call Steve Clegg, Little Flower's Financial Peace University Coordinator at 353-1142.



The next Baptism Preparation Class is Monday, January 19th 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 March or April.

Annual financial statements will be prepared and mailed no later than January 22nd. Statements for Legacy for our Mission contributions will be mailed by the Archdiocese.

Gabriel Project

One of our Gabriel clients is in desperate need of maternity clothes, size 18 slacks and 2X tops. If anyone has clothing to donate, please contact Bobbie Lawless @ 357-3546. Thank you and may God bless.

TAKE NOTE: The parish newsletter, “The Little Flower Garden”, will be out mid-February. Any news or photos you have to share should be sent to the parish office (or dropped in the offering basket) by Monday, Jan. 26. Please include any questions about our church or parish you might like Father Bob to answer in the newsletter!