

Dear Parish Family,

Thursday, November 26, is Thanksgiving Day. Our Thanksgiving Day Mass will be at 9:00 a.m. There will be no other Masses or Communion Services on Thursday. Little Flower School will anticipate the celebration of Thanksgiving with an all-school Mass on Wednesday at 8:30 a.m.

Even in these difficult economic times, as a nation, we have much for which to be grateful. The two best ways to give thanks for all our blessings are to celebrate Eucharist as a family on Thanksgiving Day and then to spend quality time with our family.

There will be a collection at the Thanksgiving Day Mass to benefit the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Because of the tough economic times, our St. Vincent de Paul Society will be stretched thinner than ever with more people in need and possibly fewer donations.

Because of Thanksgiving, the parish offices will be closed on Thursday and Friday, November 26 and 27.

Today is the Solemnity of Christ the King. The Rite of Enrollment for our Confirmation candidates is this Sunday at the 6 p.m. Mass. Please remember them in your prayers as they begin this phase of their faith journey. Our younger parishioners are not just the future of the church; they are also its present.

Next Sunday will be the First Sunday of Advent, the beginning of a new church year. Next Sunday we will commission all our liturgical ministers, with the exception of Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist. We thank them for their generous service to the parish. As you know, our Liturgy is one of our greatest strengths as a parish.

Giving Tree tags will also be available next Sunday. The Giving Tree gifts are one way in which we become Christ to others, and they become Christ to us.

Finally, I am delighted to announce the addition of B.J. Schmidt to our Little Flower Parish office staff. Jeannie Zimmerman will work Mondays, Thursdays, and Fridays. B.J. will work on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. When you call or come to the office or see B.J. in church, please welcome her to our parish staff. You will find that she has a very warm and pleasant personality.

Have a wonderful and blessed Thanksgiving.

fr. bob

Good News about Little Flower School: Little Flower students come from fifteen different zip codes!

We remember our parishioner, Emit Spicklemire, who passed away on November 13th and whose funeral was November 17th. Emit was an usher at Little Flower for many years. He and his wife most recently resided at Miller's Merry Manor at Castleton. Please pray for eternal rest for Emit and for comfort for his wife, Patricia and all of his extended family during this difficult time. May our Lord welcome Emit into His eternal glory.

SAVE THE DATE

Our annual parish Christmas Party will be Sunday, December 13th following the 10:30am Mass. Watch the bulletin for more details.

LECTORS will need their new workbooks for the year beginning with the readings of November 28th/29th. Please pick up your copy in the sacristy.



Confirmation team, candidates, parents, and sponsors will meet for 6pm Mass for the Rite of Enrollment **Sunday, November 22nd**. Candidates and sponsors will then meet in the parish center following Mass until 9:00 pm for Session 1. Session 2 for candidates and team only will be in the parish center from 7:00 pm until 9:00 pm on **Sunday, November 29th**.



Masses of the Week

FOR THE WEEK OF November 23 - 29, 2009

- 23 Nov. Monday**
7:00 am Communion Service
5:30 pm Marge Minatel by Agnes Evard
- 24 Nov. Tuesday**
8:30 am Communion Service
5:30 pm Norbert Mauer by Mildred
- 25 Nov. Wednesday**
8:30 am James Gilday
5:30 pm Communion Service
- 26 Nov. Thursday - Thanksgiving Day**
9:00 am Phillip J. Wilhelm by Judy Moss and Arlene Foust
- 27 Nov. Friday**
8:30 am Communion Service
5:30 pm Communion Service
- 28 Nov. Saturday**
8:30 am Communion Service
5:00 pm **Vigil** – First Sunday of Advent
Matej Triska by Arcella Triska
- 29 Nov. Sunday – First Sunday of Advent**
8:30 am For the People
10:30 am For the Family by Ruth Clifford Kunkel
6:00 pm Julie Turk by Mary Wilson



Dates to Remember

November 22 - 29, 2009

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP	
Sunday	New Member	Registration	At all Masses	
	Parish Center	8:30 am	Children's Liturgy	
	Duffey Hall	9:30 am	Coffee and Donuts	
	School	9:30 am	Religious Ed	
	Church	5:00 pm	Youth Choir	
	Church	6:00 pm	Rite of Enrollment Confirmation	
	Parish Center	7:15 pm	Confirmation	
	Monday	Scout Room	6:00 pm	Webelos I
Holy Family		6:00 pm	Wolf Scouts	
St. Therese		7:00 pm	Prayer Group	
Tuesday	Parish Center	7:00 pm	RCIA	
	Church	7:00 pm	Christmas Choir	
	Parish Center	7:00 pm	RCIA	
	Church	7:00 pm	Choir	
	Wednesday	Holy Family	2:30 pm	Girl Scouts
		Scout Room	2:30 pm	Tiger Scouts
Thursday		Happy	Thanksgiving	
	Parish Office	and	School Closed	
	St. Therese	8:00 pm	AA	
Friday	Parish Office	and	School Closed	
Saturday	St. Therese	7:00 am	Men's Prayer Group	
Sunday	Parish Center	8:30 am	Children's Liturgy	
	Parish Center	7:15 pm	Confirmation	

THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON THURSDAY AND FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 26TH AND 27TH

Please remember our parishioners who are homebound in your thoughts and prayers. If you get the chance, please send them a card or note! This week we especially want to remember:
Vivian Hess
c/o Kathy White
Rosegate Villiage, 5849 Judaco Dr., Indianapolis, IN 46227

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST THE KING



Food Drive

St. Vincent de Paul Society of Little the Flower is getting ready for their annual Thanksgiving food distribution. **At this time we need cranberry sauce, gravy mixes, jell-o, canned sweet potatoes, canned fruits and vegetables, boxes of instant potatoes, and stuffing mix.**

Your donations help make up food baskets that will be distributed for people who need help at Thanksgiving. Please drop off your donation at the parish center or in the back of Church. Thank you for your generosity.

FROM Our Director

The time for singing is here. Christmas Choir begins Tuesday, Nov. 24th from 7 to 8:30 PM. The choir is open to all singers starting in 6th grade through adults. We are hoping for a holiday full of wonderful songs and a choir full of wonder-filled singers. Could that be you? We rehearse on the 5 Tuesdays before Christmas and sing at the 10PM Midnight Mass on Christmas Eve, and the 10:30 AM Masses on December 27th and January 3rd. If you can make a little hole in your busy schedule we have a seat and some music for you. Please come!

Barnes & Noble Book Fair

The 2nd annual Little Flower School Book Fair at Barnes & Noble is Sun., Dec. 6. Get books, movies, games and more. This year we will have vouchers that can be used at any Barnes & Noble. Now, friends and family in faraway places can still support Little Flower School. Order Scrip in advance and the school benefits even more! Watch the bulletin for more details or call Trisha Corcoran at 356-5505 for more information.

Seccina Memorial High School Placement Test Saturday, December 5, 2009 at 8:30-11:30 a.m.

Pre-registration is not required for the placement test. If you would like to pre-register for this test, please contact Leslie Young – 356-6377 ext 1101 or lyoung@seccina.org. On the day of the exam:

- Please bring two sharpened #2 pencils.
- Calculators are NOT allowed.

Enter Seccina through the east gymnasium doors, come up to the main hallway and down to the main school office. The test focuses on areas of Math and English. This is not an entrance exam. The results from this exam, along with your middle school grades, feedback from your teachers, and parents will help us in scheduling your classes at Seccina.

On the weekend of November 28th and 29th, lectors, servers, music ministers, greeters, ushers, and arts and environment ministers will be commissioned at all Masses. (Because of their special role, Eucharistic ministers will be commissioned next spring at the Holy Thursday liturgy.) Please plan to come forward for a special blessing at whatever Mass you attend.

The Truth Behind The Need For Healthcare Reform

On Sunday, Dec. 6 from 4:30 - 5:45 pm, at St. Monica Catholic Church, 6131 N. Michigan Rd., Indianapolis will host an information session on the truth behind the need for healthcare reform and what the Catholic Church teaches on the right to healthcare. Additional professionals will speak on the perspectives of the uninsured, the work of a free clinic at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, and how St. Vincent's provides healthcare for the uninsured. This presentation is not only for Catholics but those interested in the perspective of those living without healthcare and how it affects their lives. For more info, contact Stefanie Anderson at sanderson@archindy.org.

Seccina Memorial High School Holiday Music Performance

You are invited to attend our Holiday Music Performance presented by the **Seccina Band and Choir, Sunday, December 13, 2009 at 3:30 pm** in the school gymnasium. This year in lieu of voluntary financial donations to Seccina for the music department, we are asking you to consider a monetary donation at the performance for the purpose of supplying food for the Crisis Center of Catholic Charities Indianapolis. This year food banks are challenged to meet the needs of many families, and we at Seccina would like to help supply food to needy families for the holidays. We look forward to seeing you at the performance.

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

Weekly Budget Goal	\$ 13,750.00
Collection of November 14 th and 15 th not available-check next week	
Electronic Contribution 11/10 to 11/16 not available-check next week	
Year to Date Budget Goal as of 11/8	\$ 261,250.00
Year to Date Collections as of 11/8	\$ 247,739.70
YEAR-TO-DATE DEFICIT as of 11/8	\$ - 13,510.30

Home Improvement Fund

August Contributions	\$ 2,244.00
September Contributions	\$ 2,030.85
October Contributions	\$ 2,006.00
November Contributions (as of 11/8))	\$ 1,553.00

If you have not yet returned return your stewardship card please do so as soon as possible. Extra cards are at the church doors if you did not receive yours or have misplaced it. To date only 166 cards have been returned. PLEASE HELP!

CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE

Next weekend, our Christmas giving trees will be available in church. The giving trees will be in the front of church this year as a more visible sign of our obligation to assist those in need. You will be invited to take tags from the tree to help provide Christmas gifts for those less fortunate. See the insert in next weekend's bulletin for more details.

For nearly 40 years, the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) has embodied Catholic social teaching through pursuing justice and upholding the dignity of the human person. CCHD funds community projects led by low-income individuals. As more Americans feel the weight of the economic crisis, CCHD needs your support in today's Collection more than ever. The envelope for this collection was in your regular monthly packet. If you did not bring it this weekend, you may place it in next week's regular collection. Thank you for your generosity.



(grades 8 thru 12)

YOUTH CHOIR will sing on Sunday, November 22nd AND Sunday, December 6th at 6pm Mass. Please meet in church at 5pm.