

*My soul is thirsting for you,  
O my LORD, my GOD.*

Dear Parish Family,

Thanks to everyone who came to the parish picnic last Sunday. As hot and humid as it was, I think everyone had a good time. The food was delicious. The athletically-inclined played kickball. Those not so athletically-inclined played Bingo. We had a good turn out for the picnic. It is always good to see some not so familiar faces at a parish celebration.

Special thanks to those who made picnic possible. Georgia Impicicche was responsible for the picnic. However, she had lots of good help. LFAA members for handled parking (especially Paul and Steve Clegg and their families). Pat Gandolph and other Ladies' Club members helped plan the picnic and helped serve desserts and other food. Sandi Clegg organized the kickball game. Patti Schnell and Susan Lee ran Bingo. The following families worked *very hard* in miserable heat so that we could all have a good time: the Belles family, the Lee family, the Tom Bullock family, the Holle family, the Schnell family, the Paul and Steve Clegg families, and the Zimmerman family. Finally, the following Little Flower School students also helped with the picnic: Maggie Bullock, Courtney Chowning, Ellen Finlinson, Elizabeth Lee, Gabby Holle, George Holle, David Miller, Elijah Runge, Clare Impicicche, and Micaela Zimmerman.

The success of this picnic reminds us that the strength of a parish is always in its parishioners and their willingness to take ownership and responsibility for the parish through their generous giving of their time, talent, and treasure.

Thanks again to Georgia Impicicche for her six and one-half years of ministry to Little Flower parish. We wish her the best in her future. Her letter to you is below. Next Sunday, September 7, from 11:30 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. in Duffey Hall, there will be a farewell reception for her. Please note the announcement concerning the reception.

Finally, next weekend, September 6 & 7, the Little Sisters of the Poor will be here to take up a collection to assist them in their ministry to the elderly at St. Augustine's Home.

Have a great week.

fr. bob

**From Georgia:**

To my parish family:

For six and a half years I have been blessed to serve this community as Pastoral Associate for Health and Senior Ministry (Parish Nurse). It is humbling to have been invited to "rejoice with those who rejoice and be sad with those in sorrow." This ministry has stretched me in ways I never knew possible, and deepened my own faith journey immensely. I hope to remain closely connected with this community at Little Flower, which has become like a family to me, "for you have all shared with me in this privilege that God has given me." While my own future is somewhat uncertain at the moment, I know for certain that God will show me where he needs me next. I will close with St. Paul's words to the Philippians: "I am sure that God, who began this good work in you, will carry it on until it is finished on the day of Christ Jesus. You are always in my heart."

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

The first Ladies Club Meeting for the year 2008-2009 is Sept 4th. There is a pitch in dinner, installation of officers and look at the events for the upcoming year. Hope to see you there.

**The parish office will be closed on Labor Day, Monday, September 1<sup>st</sup>.**



**Mass Intentions**

**MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 1 - 7, 2008**

- 01 September Monday - Labor Day**  
8:30 am Paul E. Smith  
5:30 pm Communion Service
- 02 September Tuesday**  
8:30 am Sister Frances Ellen by Little Flower SVDP  
5:30 pm Communion Service
- 03 September Wednesday**  
7:00 am Communion Service  
5:30 pm For the Intentions of Laura Fleak by Robert Borden Family
- 04 September Thursday**  
8:30 am Communion Service  
5:30 pm Anthony Mauer by Mildred Mauer
- 05 September Friday**  
8:30 am Patricia Marie Giddings by Cathy and Jeff Wellner  
5:30 pm Communion Service
- 06 September Saturday**  
8:30 am Communion Service  
5:00 pm **Vigil- Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
Irene Pothast by the Dangler Family
- 07 September Sunday - Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
8:30 am Rose Priller by Butch and Donna Brown  
10:30 am Daniel T. Eaton "6 of 7" by The Mader and Sauer Families  
6:00 pm For the People



**Dates to Remember**

**August 31 - September 7, 2008**

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP
<b>Sunday</b>	Parish Center	8:30 am	Children's Liturgy
	Duffey Hall	9:30 am	Coffee and Donuts
<b>Monday</b>	<b>Labor Day</b>	<b>School and</b>	<b>Parish Office Closed</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	Gym	4:45 pm	Cheerleading Practice
	John 23 <sup>rd</sup>	6:00 pm	Archives
	Duffey Hall	6:30 pm	Girl's Basketball Sign-ups
	Parish Center	7:00 pm	RCIA
	Church	7:30 pm	Choir
<b>Wednesday</b>	St. Patrick	9:30 am	Bible Study
	Scout Room	2:30 pm	Troop #799
	Scout Room	5:00 pm	Brownies #02443
	Holy Family	6:00 pm	Little Flower Neighborhood Garden Club
	John 23 <sup>rd</sup>	6:00 pm	Archives
	St. Patrick	7:00 pm	School Commission
	Gym	7:00 pm	Girl's Basketball Camp
<b>Thursday</b>	Duffey Hall	5:30 pm	Ladies Club Pitch-In and Meeting
	St. Patrick	6:30 pm	Bible Study
	John 23 <sup>rd</sup>	7:00 pm	LFAA Board

**TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

	Scout Room	7:00 pm	Scout Sign Up
	St. Therese	8:00 pm	A.A.
<b>Saturday</b>	St. Therese	7:00 am	Men's Prayer Group
<b>Sunday</b>	Parish Center	8:30 am	Children's Liturgy
	Duffey Hall	9:30 am	Coffee and Donuts
	Duffey Hall	11:30 am	Reception for Georgia



Everyone is invited to attend a reception for Georgia Impicciche on Sunday, September 7<sup>th</sup> from 11:30am - 2pm, in Duffey Hall. Hosted by the Funeral Luncheon Committee, Adventuresome Group, Franciscan Associates, Wednesday

A.M. Bible Study Class, Monday P.M. Prayer Group, and the Ladies Club. This will be a good time to thank Georgia for her years of service to our parishioners and to offer her well wishes and support.

**ATTENTION ALL WHO USE THE PARISH CENTER**

A number of parishes and churches have recently had some issues involving theft and burglary. Good stewardship dictates that we implement some changes that will improve security in the parish office building. Your help is required in a couple of ways.

1. The locks at the parish office have been changed and a new alarm has been installed. If you currently have a key to any of the parish center doors, please turn it in to Tom as soon as possible. Replacement keys will only be issued when they are ABSOLUTELY necessary.
2. ALL meetings must be scheduled and placed on the parish calendar by contacting Jeannie at the parish office (357-8352). Once a meeting is on the calendar, we will be certain that access is available. Conversely, any meeting that is canceled must be reported so that we don't inconvenience anyone to provide access that you don't need!

We appreciate your patience as we make these necessary changes.



Do you know someone who is searching for a faith community or someone who has been away from the Church? The sessions begin on Tuesday, Sept 2nd from 7 - 9pm. Drop by and check it out!

**Religious Education Notes**

We are still registering for Religious Education for children entering kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> grade, who do not attend Little Flower School. Our sessions will begin on Sunday, September 14<sup>th</sup> from 9:30am - 10:25am. Please call Lisa Gibbons at 357-8352 ext. 33 to register; or email [lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org](mailto:lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org).



**Little Flower Athletic Association News**

All Girls in our parish in grades 4<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> are invited to sign up to play CYO Basketball. Sign ups will be on September 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30 pm in Duffey Hall.

If anyone is interested in being a Coach for the upcoming Girl's Basketball season, please contact Tim Smith 356-8020 or [trsmith1838@sbcglobal.net](mailto:trsmith1838@sbcglobal.net) by September 10th.

The time for Adult Choir is near. This group practices on Tuesday nights about once a week, from Sept through May and sings primarily at the 8:30 Mass and the bigger parish celebrations. We have a wonderful group and would like to include you if you love to sing too. We are especially looking for altos this year but all are welcome. If you'd like to join us contact Teresa Eckrich through the Parish Center or email: [teckrich@littleflowerparish.org](mailto:teckrich@littleflowerparish.org) or come to our first practice, September 2<sup>nd</sup> in church at 7:30 pm until 9:00 pm.



(grades 8 thru 12)

**Youth Choir** will sing at 6pm Mass on September 7<sup>th</sup>, meeting in church at 5pm.

**Youth room** will be open on Sunday, September 7<sup>th</sup> after the 6pm Mass and until 8:30 pm.

CONFIRMATION preparation will begin soon. Confirmed High School youth who are interested in helping with this year's class, please call Tom at 357-8352 or e-mail [tom@littleflowerparish.org](mailto:tom@littleflowerparish.org).

**RESERVE THESE IMPORTANT DATES!**

Saturday October 4<sup>th</sup>

5:00 pm Mass with dinner following!  
Come celebrate our parish feast AND the SUCCESSFUL completion of our church masonry repairs  
DETAILS WILL FOLLOW!

Saturday November 8<sup>th</sup>

Annual Little Flower School All-Class reunion

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

Weekly Budget Goal	\$ 14,000.00
Collection of August 23 <sup>rd</sup> and 24 <sup>th</sup>	\$ 10,142.13
Electronic Contribution 8/12 to 8/18	\$ 572.00
Year to Date Budget Goal	\$ 112,000.00
Year to Date Collections	\$ 106,141.67
Year to Date DEFICIT	\$ - 5,858.33

**Home Improvement Fund**

May Contributions	\$ 1,258.00
June Contributions	\$ 1,327.00
July Contributions	\$ 1,242.81
August Contributions (to date)	\$ 1,239.00

The home improvement fund was recently used to make some much-needed repairs to the school alarm system, and to add an alarm to the parish office building. Thank you for your continued contributions.

**Legacy for our Mission Capital Campaign**

As of 7/30/2008

Amount Pledged	\$903,585.00
Amount Received on Pledges	\$680,403.00

The second collection for Fr. Dave Sullivan to help support his scholarship program in the Philippines was \$2,505.22. This amount will be forwarded to Fr. Dave with our thanks for his time with us this summer.



Our current contest period is now over, but outside of the contest we earn considerable money by recycling. Please



keep up the great work. We will keep you updated as to the final results of the contest.

<b>Month</b>	<b>Amt. Needed</b>	<b>Collected to date</b>
May	13.26 tons	13.73 tons
June	12.98 tons	9.58 tons
July	10.95 tons	11.62 tons
August thru 8/13	22.40 tons	4.39 tons
<b>Total to date</b>	<b>59.59 tons</b>	<b>39.32 tons</b>