

Dear Parish Family,

Thank you to everyone who came to or helped with Little Flower School's open house last Sunday. There were new families, current families, parishioners, alumni, and lots of volunteers. I hope everyone appreciated the focus on the visual and performing arts.

Also, very special thanks to Julie Mennel, our second grade teacher, who gave up last weekend to speak at all the Masses. Although she really is as good as Kevin Gawrys and I suggested, we are blessed with an outstanding faculty, both our veteran faculty members as well as our newer faculty members. All of them are committed Catholic School teachers.

As part of the Catholic School Management program in which we are participating, we have been developing our school mission statement. Several weeks ago, we sent a copy of the proposed mission statement to every registered parishioner. Thank you to all those who took the time to provide feedback. For the most part, everyone approved the mission statement. A few suggested small changes in the statement. The one most frequently suggested has been incorporated. A few used the opportunity to make suggestions not necessarily related to the mission statement. Again, thank you to everyone who took the time to respond.

Little Flower Catholic School Mission Statement

Little Flower Catholic School, an educational ministry of Little Flower Parish, exists to provide quality Catholic education for the Eastside and beyond as it has since 1926. Little Flower is a compassionate, caring community for pre-kindergarten through eighth grade that celebrates the growth of each person. We welcome all families who share our philosophy and mission.

Our school provides a safe, nurturing environment, a challenging academic curriculum, with an emphasis on the arts, that prepares students for higher education and helps them develop into confident, responsible citizens. Following the words of St. Therese, our patroness, "Love is repaid by love alone," we promote a dedication to the Catholic values of peace, justice, and service.

Two Sundays ago, everyone had the opportunity to spiritually adopt an unborn child in danger of being aborted. I am delighted to report that eighty-five parishioners spiritually adopted a child. Over the next several months, Peg Kramer will be providing updates on the development of the babies adopted. Please follow their growth and development in the bulletin.

Finally, following the Archbishop's example and reasoning, the Parish Office and School will be closed on Monday, February 8. According to Msgr. Schaedel, the Vicar General, "the archbishop wishes to acknowledge the *Colts* and the strong examples of positive role models and community involvement demonstrated by the team."

Go, Colts!

Have a wonderful week.

fr. bob

A Day of Reflection and Discernment February 27, 2010 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

College and Career Men between the ages of 18 and 45 who are open to the possibility of priesthood are invited to attend a Day of Reflection and Discernment led by Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein, O.S.B. at his home. For more information or to register, please call the Vocations Office at 317-236-1490 or e-mail www.HearGodsCall.com.



Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 8 - 14, 2010

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| 08 Feb. | 7:00 a.m.
5:30 p.m. | Monday
Communion Service
Lucille Carroll by Sr. Lavonne Long |
| 09 Feb. | 8:30 a.m.
5:30 p.m. | Tuesday
Communion Service
Charley Murphy by Damon Tepe |
| 10 Feb. | 7:00 a.m.
11:00 am

5:30 p.m. | Wednesday
Communion Service
Bud and Dorothy Moody by Norb and Mary Helen Arvin
Communion Service |
| 11 Feb. | 8:30 a.m.
5:30 p.m. | Thursday
Communion Service
Elaine Sauer by Tony and Barbara Ritter |
| 12 Feb. | 8:30 a.m.
5:30 p.m. | Friday
Elena Berios, M.D. by Arcella Triska
Communion Service |
| 13 Feb. | 8:30 a.m.
5:00 p.m. | Saturday
Communion Service
Vigil - Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Carmine Taddeo by Michael Riedeman and Family |
| 14 Feb. | 8:30 a.m.
10:30 a.m.
6:00 p.m. | Sunday - Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Charles and Rita Ernstes by Ernstes Family
Bill Hickey by Tom and Mary Martha Costello
For the People |



Dates to Remember

February 7 - 14, 2010

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP
Sunday	Parish Center	8:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy
	Church	8:30 am	Rite of Illumination- First Communion
	Duffey Hall	9:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts
	School	9:30 a.m.	Religious Ed
	Church	5:00 p.m.	Youth Choir Practice
	Youth Room	7:00 p.m.	"Sundae" Youth Room & Super Bowl Party
Monday	Parish Center and School Closed		
	Scout Room	6:00 p.m.	Webelos I
	Holy Family	6:00 p.m.	Wolf Scouts
	St. Therese	7:00 p.m.	Prayer Group
	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	Summerfest Planning
Tuesday	Church	7:00 p.m.	Choir
	Parish Center	7:00 p.m.	RCIA
Wednesday	Church	11:00 a.m.	Adventuresome Group
	Holy Family	2:30 p.m.	Girl Scouts
	Scout Room	2:30 p.m.	Tiger Scouts
	Scout Room	5:00 p.m.	Girl Scouts #2443
	St. Therese	6:00 p.m.	Respect Life
	John 23 rd	6:30 p.m.	PTO Board
	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	Parish Council
Thursday	Scout Room	6:30 p.m.	Webelos II
	St. Patrick	6:30 p.m.	Adult Bible Study
	Duffey Hall	7:00 p.m.	LFAA Business Mtg.
	St. Therese	8:00 p.m.	AA
Friday	Duffey Hall	4:40 p.m.	Market Day Pick-up
	Gym	8:00 p.m.	Adult Volleyball
Saturday	St. Therese	7:00 a.m.	Men's Prayer Group
	Duffey Hall	7:00 p.m.	Middle School Dance
	Blood Pressure Screening after all Masses		
Sunday	Church	8:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy
	School	9:30 a.m.	Religious Education
	St. Therese	1:30 p.m.	Franciscan Assoc.

Spiritual Adoption: What a busy week! I went from one cell to many. I am now called a blastocyte. You cannot even see me yet because I am so small. I have traveled all the way down the tube to my mother's uterus or womb, and I landed in a very soft spot with a very rich supply of nutrients and have become attached to the wall. Mom doesn't even know I am here yet, but my spiritual parent/family is trying very hard to remember to pray for me and my mom and dad. How great is that! I feel the love and presence of my Creator: "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you..." (Jeremiah 1:5).

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:**

Harry Rose
Miller's Merry Manor
1651 N Campbell Ave., Indianapolis, IN 46218

SAVE THE DATE!

The 8th grade class will once again host a "Senior Prom" for the seniors in our parish on **Saturday, Feb. 20, following the 5 p.m. Mass.** Anyone age 55 and older is invited and encouraged to attend. The theme for this year's prom is "Capture the Dream." This fun-filled evening will include dinner, dancing, and bingo. The evening is FREE, but reservations are needed. Please call the Parish Center, 357-8352, to RSVP by Monday, February 15! Don't miss out on this opportunity to meet some of the young people of our parish!



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

There will be a First Communion class on **Monday, Feb. 22**, for the children who attend Sunday Religious Education. We will meet in the Parish Center from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.



Session 6 will take place for candidates and team only on **Sunday, February 28th**, following the 6 p.m. Mass. Please meet in the Parish Center.

Valentines Dinner & Dance

Knights of Columbus Hall, 1040 North Post Road
Saturday, February 13, 2010
6:00 – 11:00 p.m.

Serving a prime rib dinner. Cost is \$25 per couple or \$13 per person. Everyone is welcome! Call 897-1577 for reservations.

FESTIVAL NEWS

SUMMERFEST 2010 planning will begin soon. Our summer festival dates this year are JUNE 4th, 5th, and 6th. A kick off meeting will be held on Monday, February 8th, at 7:00 p.m., in the Parish Center for those who would like to be part of the parish festival leadership team. Call Tom at 357-8352 with questions.



On Sunday, March 14, at 12:30 p.m., the Ancient Order of the Hibernians will host their St. Patrick's Day Program at the Indiana Roof Ballroom. Festivities include a concert by the "Dublin City Ramblers," who have eight gold albums, numerous top ten hits in Ireland, and several awards for Best Irish Folk Group, and a delicious lunch will be served. Reservations are required; call Chuck McGinley at 359-7147.

Long Term Care Facility

Hiring in Foodservices. All positions part time, evenings, and weekends. Apply at St. Paul Hermitage, 501 N. 17th Ave., Beech Grove, IN.

FISH FRY

FRIDAYS, BEGINNING FEBRUARY 19TH
SEE INSERT IN TODAY'S BULETIN FOR DETAILS
PLEASE INVITE YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS!

The **Adventuresome Group** will meet on Wednesday, February 10, in the Parish Center, following the 11:00 a.m. Mass. This month we will be celebrating Valentine's Day. Lunch will be served, and there will be surprises! Don't miss out on the fun. Please call the Parish Center, 357-8352, to let us know you are coming!

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

Weekly Budget Goal	\$ 13,750.00
Collection of January 30th and 31 st	\$ 9,218.17
Electronic Contribution 1/25 to 1/31	\$ 00.00
Year to Date Budget Goal	\$ 426,250.00
Year to Date Collections	\$ 414,046.45
YEAR-TO-DATE DEFICIT as of 1/4	\$ - 12,203.55
Home Improvement Fund	
October Contributions	\$ 2,006.00
November Contributions	\$ 2,229.00
December Contributions	\$ 2,168.50
January Contributions	\$ 1,948.00



(grades 8 thru 12)

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

SUPER BOWL "SUNDAE" PARTY WILL BEGIN in the youth room IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING 6 p.m. Mass on Feb. 7. Please come and join us. The gathering will conclude at the end of the game!

YOUTH CHOIR will sing on **Sun., Feb. 7, at the 6 p.m. Mass.** Please meet in church at 5 p.m.

SNOW TUBING

We will be making a trip to Perfect North Ski Slopes (about 90 minutes southeast of Indy) for snow tubing on Saturday, Feb. 27 (weather permitting!). We will leave LF PROMPLY at 6:00 p.m. and return slightly after midnight. Reservations by Sun., Feb. 21 are a must so we can arrange transportation. Permission slips and fees (\$25.00) must be in by this date! Permission slips will be sent home with Little Flower 8th graders on Tues. Feb. 9, and will be mailed to high school students. If you did not get one, they are available at the school and the parish office. Call Tom at 357-8352 for more information! I need parents to volunteer to drive. Please call Tom if you can help. **The trip will be cancelled if sufficient reservations are not received by the deadline!**

The Schedule for Eucharistic Ministers and Altar Servers will be coming out at the end of February. If you have any changes (phone numbers, e-mail addresses, away dates.), please let us know by February 6th. The new schedule will be for March, April, and May. Eucharistic Ministers, please contact Ron Sharp at 356-3488 or giboshihoosier@aol.com. Altar Servers, please contact Lisa Gibbons at 357-8352 ext. 33 or lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org.