

Dear Parish Family,

This weekend our First Communion candidates are celebrating the Rite of Illumination at the Sunday 8:30 a.m. Mass. The children have been learning about how we celebrate as a family and as God's people. This rite reinforces what the children have been learning and how important it is to set aside every Sunday to attend Mass with God's family and celebrate the day of the Lord. They will receive a lit candle from their parents. The candle represents the "Light of Christ" that was given to them at baptism and reminds us that Jesus is the "Light of the World."

This Sunday is also World Marriage Day. Saturday is Valentine's Day. Congratulations to all engaged and married couples. According to Robert Sternberg, consummate love or married love has three dimensions: passion, intimacy, and commitment. The marriage of two Christians, however, always has a fourth dimension, a sacramental dimension. As I suggested in the homily last Sunday, if the love of Christian couple in marriage is passionate, intimate, and committed, and if they live their marriage as committed members of the Christian community, then their love for each other will both symbolize and embody Jesus' own passionate, intimate, and committed love for us.

As was communicated at church this weekend, commitment cards for the capital campaign will be mailed the middle of this week. Please return your card to church the weekend of February 21/22 or February 28/March 1. Thank you in advance for your consideration of this important project and for your sacrificial generosity.

Have a wonderful week.

fr. bob



We extend our condolences to *Jim and Loretta Miller* on the death of Jim's sister, **Barbara Surenkamp**, who passed away on January 27, and whose funeral liturgy was celebrated here on January 31. Barb was a wonderful woman and a woman of great faith. She most recently resided at Brookview. Please keep all of Barb's family and friends in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. May God welcome Barbara into His eternal glory.

Join the Little Flower Men's Club
The next meeting of the Little Flower Men's Club will be this Monday evening, at 7 p.m. in the school cafeteria, and will be followed by a social outing at All-Star Bowling. If you've been looking to get to know more men in the parish or wondering about what the Men's Club is all about, this will be a great chance to get to know some of your fellow parishioners and enjoy a good time! Men's Club is open to all men in the parish, aged 18 and older.



Seccina Campus Ministry will be sponsoring a Coffeehouse in the Seccina cafeteria on **Friday, Feb. 13, at 7 pm.** Admission is free, but donations will be accepted to support a Spring Break Mission Trip to New Mexico. Students will be performing, but all ages are welcome to attend! Please come for a night of refreshments and entertainment. For more information, please contact Angie Pometto at apometto@sceccina.org or 356-6377 ext. 1320.

Next weekend (February 15 and 16) is the Collection for Aid to Central and Eastern Europe. This collection supports Catholic organizations that provide affordable shelter and train seminarians in a region that still struggles from the effects of Soviet rule. By providing pastoral care, catechesis, and funding for building renovations, your donations help to restore the Church and build the future in the region. Please give generously to the collection next week, using the envelope provided in your packet. Visit www.usccb.org (search "Church in Central and Eastern Europe") to learn more.

Masses For The Week

FOR THE WEEK OF February 9 - 15, 2015

- 09 February Monday**
5:30 p.m. Harry Hosey by the Snow Family
- 10 February Tuesday**
5:30 p.m. Communion Service
- 11 February Wednesday**
11:00 a.m. Mary Helen Arvin by Eileen Arvin
5:30 p.m. Communion Service
- 12 February Thursday**
5:30 p.m. John Naughton by Patricia Cronin
- 13 February Friday**
8:30 a.m. Brian Hawkins by Amy Miller
5:30 p.m. Communion Service
- 14 February Saturday**
5:00 p.m. **Vigil of the Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time**
George Haddin by Martha Haddin
- 15 February Sunday - Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time**
8:30 a.m. For the People
10:30 a.m. Betty Carr by Jerry Watts
6:00 p.m. Juanita Moloy by John and Anne Burns

your attention please

Shop, Swipe Your Plus Card and Earn Rewards for Little Flower School!

Kroger has changed their fundraising program from reloadable gift cards to the Kroger Community Rewards program. This program will link your Kroger Plus Card to one nonprofit organization at a time. **Little Flower Catholic School has enrolled in this program. To help us you simply need to register your Kroger Plus Card online at www.krogercommunityrewards.com and use our organization # 10278.** Little Flower will earn a percentage of spending on a quarterly basis which will help with tuition assistance. You can earn rewards on almost everything, every time you shop. However there are specific purchases that cannot be included. Alcohol, tobacco, government-assisted prescription purchases, postage stamps, Kroger gift cards, and debit cards, lottery and promotional tickets Western Union, Fuel and sales tax are excluded from eligible purchase. If you do not have a Kroger Plus Card they are available the Customer Service Desk at any Kroger.

Eucharistic Ministers, and Altar Servers, the next schedule for the months of March-April-May will be coming out soon. Eucharistic Ministers please send changes to Ron Sharp at duvkote@aol.com, or call at 356-3488. Altar Servers please send changes to Lisa Gibbons at lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org, or call 357-8352 ext. 33. **Changes are due by Feb. 8.**

The **Adventuresome Group** will meet on **Wednesday, February 11 following the 11 a.m. Mass.** We will be celebrating Valentine's Day. Susan Spilly-Lee will be our guest speaker. She will be talking about changes in Medicare for 2015 and of course there will be Medicare Bingo. We may also have some visitors from school to entertain us! Please call the Parish Center, 357-8352, if you plan on attending.



YOUTH NEWS

(grades 8 thru 12)

YOUTH CHOIR

Sunday, February 15 practice in Church, 7:00 p.m. until 8:15 p.m. New Members are always welcome!

ANNUAL SNOW TUBING TRIP - We will be making a trip to Perfect North Ski Slopes (about 90 minutes southeast of Indy) for snow tubing on **Saturday, February 21 (weather permitting!)**. We will leave LF PROMPTLY at 6:00 p.m. and return slightly after midnight. Reservations by Monday, February 16 are a must so we can arrange transportation. Permission slips and fees (\$25.00) must be in by this date! Permission slips were sent home with Little Flower 8th graders on January 26 and were sent by email to some high school students. If you did not get one, they are available at the school and the parish office, or email fcostello@littleflowerparish.org and I will send one back to you. 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 or if sufficient parent volunteers are not available!

Please remember our parishioners who are ill, homebound, or in a nursing home, in your thoughts and prayers. If you get a chance please send them a card or a note! This week we especially want to remember: **Jerry Jett**
4818 East 11th, Street, Indianapolis, IN 46201

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

Weekly Budget Goal	\$	13,500.00
Collection of January 31/February 1	\$	9,203.69
Electronic Contributions 1/26 -1/30	\$	1,181.00
Fiscal Year 2014-2015 YTD Actual	\$	417,668.69
Fiscal Year 2014-2015 YTD Budget	\$	418,500.00
Fiscal Year 2014-2015 YTD deficit	\$	- 831.31

Home Improvement Fund

November Contributions	\$	2,586.08
December Contributions	\$	2,580.58
January Contributions	\$	1,909.58
February Contributions (month to date)	\$	977.00

UNITED CATHOLIC APPEAL UPDATE as of 1/29/15

Parish Goal \$39,250 Amount Pledged \$36,941 % of Goal-94%
Parish Households 936 # of pledges 182 Parish Participation 19%
There are extra United Catholic Appeal Mailers at the Church doors. If you have not yet made a commitment, you may fill out and return in our collection or return it by the mail in the mailer provided.



Candidates and team will meet next on **Sunday, February 8 in the Parish Center, for Session 5. The meeting will be from 7 p.m. until 9 p.m.**

10th Annual Indiana Catholic Women's Conference

The Marian Center, with the Archdiocese of Indianapolis, is hosting the 10th Annual Indiana Catholic Women's Conference; Treasuring Womanhood, on March 21, 2015 at the Ballroom of the Marriott Hotel in downtown Indianapolis. Enjoy Mass with **Archbishop Joseph Tobin**, as well as internationally known speakers Fr. James Blount and Annie Karto, and nationally known Danielle Bean & Yvonne O'Brien. Lunch is included with registration. Economical and easy parking, too. For more information visit; www.indianacatholicwomen.com or call 317-888-0873 or 317-881-8797. The largest parish group (over 10) will be given a special gift & VIP Seating. Start gathering your group now and invite your mother, sister, daughter and friends. Special prices for groups & students.

The Week Ahead

February 8 - 15, 2015

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP
Sunday	Church	8:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy
	Church	8:30 a.m.	First Communion Rite of Illumination
	Duffey Hall	9:00 a.m.	PTO Pancake Breakfast
	School	9:30 a.m.	Religious Ed
	St. Therese	1:30 p.m.	Franciscan Associates
Monday	Parish Center	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation
	Holy Family	7:00 p.m.	Men's CRHP
	Scout Room	7:00 p.m.	Women's CRHP
	Scout Room	6:00 p.m.	Webelo
	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	SVDP
Tuesday	John 23 rd	7:00 p.m.	Capital Campaign Alumni Leaders
	Duffey Hall	7:00 p.m.	Men's Club Meeting
	St. Therese	9:30 a.m.	Legion of Mary
	St. Therese	3:30 p.m.	8 th Grade Study Group
	St. Therese	4:30 p.m.	Childcare for Advance Commitment Meeting
Wednesday	Duffey Hall	5:00 p.m.	Advance Commitment Meeting
	Scout Room	6:00 p.m.	Wolf Scouts
	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	RCIA
	Church	7:00 p.m.	Choir
	Church/P.C.	11:00 a.m.	Adventuresome Group
Thursday	St. Therese	3:30 p.m.	8 th Grade Study Group
	Scout Room	6:00 p.m.	Tiger Scouts
	St. Therese	6:30 p.m.	Childcare for Advance Commitment Meeting
	Duffey Hall	7:00 p.m.	Advance Commitment Meeting
	St. Patrick	6:30 p.m.	Adult Bible Study
Friday	St. Therese	8:00 p.m.	AA
	St. Therese	7:00 a.m.	Men's Prayer Group
	Duffey Hall	9:00 a.m.	Rummage Sale Drop-Off
	Duffey Hall	7:00 p.m.	Middle School Dance
	Blood Pressure Checks after all Masses in Gathering Area		
Sunday	Church	8:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy
	School	9:30 a.m.	Religious Ed
	Duffey Hall	9:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts
	Church	7:00 p.m.	Youth Choir Practice
	St. Patrick	7:15 p.m.	Women's CRHP

FESTIVAL NEWS

SUMMERFEST 2015 planning will begin soon. Our summer festival dates this year are May 29, May 30, and May 31. A kick off meeting will be held on Monday, February 16, at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Center for those who are willing to be part of the parish festival leadership team. Call Tom at 357-8352 with questions.

Rummage Sale donations - Last year the Rummage Sale earned over \$3,000.00 - but this is all dependent on your donations. **Plan to drop off your donations at the cafeteria entrance to the social hall (door #6) between 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. on Saturdays February 14, March 7, April 11, or May 2.** Please NO TVs, VCRs, or computers. This year we ARE accepting CHILDREN'S Clothes, but no adult clothing please. Call Sharon Rocchio with questions - 525-6237.

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FRIDAYS, BEGINNING FEBRUARY 20!