



SHRINE NEWS



JULY, 2018

LITTLE FLOWER ALUMNI

The Shrine of the Little Flower Alumni
14th Annual Bull and Oyster Roast

Sunday, October 14th from 1:00 to 5:00 PM

Columbus Gardens on Klosterman Ave.

Ticket Price is \$50.00 per person.

What's to eat? For starters there will be a full, fresh salad and Taco bar along with Maryland Crab Soup and raw and padded oysters and oyster stew. From the Pit choose from Choice Top Round of Beef, Virginia Baked Honey Ham and/or Seasoned Turkey Breast.

The Hot Buffet will consist of Shrimp Creole with Rice, Hot and Mild Sausage, Breaded Chicken, String Beans in Onion Gravy, Mashed Potatoes with Gravy and Penne Pasta and Meatballs, oh, did I already mention, Padded Oysters?

Compliments: Virginia Baked Ham and Genoa Salami along with American, Swiss and Provolone cheeses. Creamy Cole Slaw, Potato and Macaroni Salads, Rye, Wheat and White breads and French Dinner Rolls.

For dessert there will be Assorted Sheet Cakes to tempt your sweet tooth.

To help enjoy the meal, the drinks are (as always) free and the bar is open!

We invite you to assist the Association by playing the Plant/Cake wheel, trying your luck on the 50/50 raffles, and entering for a chance to win the Annual Association Raffle with prizes of \$1,000, \$500 and \$250. You have been most generous in the past and we hope you will feel equally generous at this roast. We ran out of mums last year, so this year we will make sure there are enough for everyone who wants to win one at the Plant/Cake Wheel.

Performing the DJ duties this year will be Tom Gavin of DJ Delights.

Since the Ravens play at 4:25 PM on this Sunday, there will be no TV in the Lounge.

After September 29th, we will try to accommodate specific requests for tickets and for specific seating, however, we may not be able to do so. Please try to place your order for tickets as early as possible. Please use the registration form in this newsletter to order your tickets, and be sure to list any special seating requests. We are sorry but there are no tickets sold at the door,

Your contacts for tickets are: Susan Scheerer at 410-488-7169, Chuck Snyder at 410-254-8005, or littlefloweralum@comcast.net.

Attending the Roast? We would greatly appreciate your donations. The food pantry needs whatever non-expired dry or canned goods you would care to donate. (Cash donations are also greatly appreciated).

And, without your donations of cakes and other baked goods, the Plant and Cake Wheel will be just the Plant Wheel. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

A very special thank you to those of you who have renewed your membership for 2018. An extra special thanks to over half of the renewing members who sent additional money for various needs at the Shrine. Your generosity is most appreciated.

On a less upbeat note, membership is down by about 100. If you are still thinking about a renewal, please send your check now by using the registration form in this newsletter.

Little Flower had a major water main break that damaged the Brendan Avenue side of the church. Those repairs are being effected and hopefully will be completed by the time you read this. Fortunately our insurance policy covered the majority of the costs.

Thank you for your continued support of Little Flower. Without you and a dedicated Alumni Committee we could not function.

Any comments, questions, or suggestions, please contact me at 410-933-3666 or hsinn2@comcast.net.

Bob Campbell, Class of 1953.

ANNUAL RAFFLE

Enclosed in this newsletter you will find tickets for the annual raffle. First prize is \$1,000, second prize is \$500, and third prize is \$250. Suggested donations are \$2 or 3 for \$5. Winning tickets will be drawn at the Bull Roast (you need not be present to win). Please use the form in this newsletter to submit your ticket stubs and money. Your continued support of the raffle is greatly appreciated.

LITTLE FLOWER SUNDAY

Father Mike invites everyone to come back on **Sunday, October 7th**, to celebrate the Feast Day of St. Theresa of Lisieux. This year will be a special event.

The 11:00 A.M. service will be a Solemn High Mass, sung by the Ss. Philip and James Roman Catholic Church choir, Dr. Sean M. O'Connor, organist and director of music; Craig Kesner, organ.

At 3:00 P.M. there will be an Evening Prayer Service, with the Baltimore Chapter of the American Guild of Organists, the Archbishop Curley High School Choir, Michael T. Britt, organist, Fr. Tom Malia presides.

Following the service there will be a small reception, and a free will offering to support the church organ maintenance.

CLASS REUNIONS

The **Class of 1953** will hold their 65th reunion at the Bull/Oyster Roast in October. See elsewhere in this newsletter for complete details for ticket orders. We recently sent a letter to our classmates and have heard back from a number of you. If interested in joining us, call Chuck Snyder at 410-254-8005 or Bob Campbell at 410-933-3666. Spouses, significant others, family, and friends are most welcome. Hope to see you.

Calling all members of the **Class of 1963**. Come to this year's Bull Roast, and join in celebrating our 55th Reunion. If interested, please contact Susan Hitzelberger Scheerer at 410-488-7169, or littlefloweralum@comcast.net. You may also order tickets using the form in this letter, and be sure to list your class year so that we can all be seated together.

Mary Scherba Replogle, **Class of 1973**, is interested in organizing a 45th Reunion. If you are interested, please contact her at 410-218-8033 or koicolor@yahoo.com.

If you are interested in planning a reunion for your class, and would like to obtain information on your class members, please contact the Alumni for assistance at littlefloweralumni@comcast.net.

FIFTH SUNDAY MASSES

The Little Flower Alumni Association encourages Alumni and Friends of the Shrine to help support our Church by attending the 11:00 a.m. Mass on these 5th Sundays. Your attendance is most appreciated and gives you an opportunity to meet old friends and to say hello to Father Mike, who has been pastor for over 25 years.

July 29th

Sept. 30th

Dec. 30th

PEW DEDICATIONS/MEMORIALS

This method of raising money for Little Flower as well as remembering family and friends has been very well received. We hope that more of you will consider future participation as there are still many pews available.

Seventy-five pews have already been dedicated, and there are 75 pews still remaining. If you have any questions about the purchase price or the location of a specific pew, please call or contact either Bob Campbell or Garry Brown.

Bob can be reached at 410-933-3666 or hsinn2@comcast.net

Garry can be reached at 410-931-2436 or garry.s.brown@exxonmobil.com

IN MEMORIUM

Baltimore County Police Officer **AMY CAPRIO**, daughter-in-law of **Dennis Caprio '72**, died in the Line of Duty on May 21, 2018.

JOAN QUINN STANG '44 – passed away on January 25, 2018

EILEEN NEUGARTH '56 – passed away in May, 2018.

ANTHONY MILLER – brother of **Robert Miller '52** – passed away recently.

THOMAS COULTHARD – husband of **Carol Ann Faraino Coulthard '58** – passed away on February 3, 2018.

CHARLER HIPPLER '45 – passed away in September, 2017.

JAMES DECKER – husband of **Dorothy Kerr Decker '56**, father of **Michelle Decker Muth '77**, **Matthew '92**, and **James** – passed away on March 15, 2018.

GERARD BENTKOWSKI '61 – passed away recently.

EDWARD DOONAN '49 – passed away in September, 2016.

CHARLES BOEGNER '37 – husband of **Virginia Kurt Boegner '39** – passed away September 10, 2016.

PATRICIA CAVANAGH BUTLER '53 – passed away recently.

RICHARD W. HAUER, JR – husband of **Patricia Haeffner Hauer '52** – passed away on June 27, 2018.

MARY PETERS NAVARRE '45 – passed away on June 26, 2018

(If you were active in Little Flower's CYO in the '60s, you will remember Mary as the director of the CYO Drama Club.)

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MAINTENANCE REPORT

As many alumni and parishioners recall the first two Sundays in January were brutally cold and record setting. It was Catastrophic to our heating system as the Circulating pumps and oil congealed preventing us to fire boilers. As a result, pipes in upper Church and lower chapel froze and ruptured. 6 radiators also cracked and caused flooding. Flooding cause paint and water damage that has been slow in getting repaired. The good news is the piping and 6 radiators have been replaced and repaired. The painting contractor will start Mon July 16th to scrape and repaint lower Chapel back wall and the 2 Vestibules on Brenden and Kentucky Ave. Work should be completed in one week. We have requested bids to repair water damage to floors and should have finalized in near future.

Also, a separate concern we have quotes to repair leaks around the stain glass windows on Kentucky Ave side main aisle.

The main altar will soon have a new glow about it. We are converting to LED bulbs which offer energy savings, and safety to our maintenance staff (no longer having to climb ladders to change bulbs.)

ALUMNI BUSINESS MATTERS

ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTER

If you are interested in receiving the newsletter by e-mail, please send your e-mail address to us at littlefloweralumni@comcast.net . You will receive your issue a week before those who have it mailed to them.

E-MAIL ADDRESS

The Committee can be reached by e-mail. Questions, comments, etc. can be sent to: littlefloweralumni@comcast.net

SHRINE WEBSITE

We encourage everyone to log on to the Shrine's website:
www.shrineofthelittleflower.org

There is information on the website about the church and an Alumni Section that is in the early stages of being developed. You can view a Guestbook with some interesting comments that may bring back memories from your days at the Little Flower. Please sign the Guestbook and remember to include some comments about your recollections of the Shrine and growing up in the area. If you attended the Little Flower School, please remember to include your graduation year

DUES

Dues invoice for the calendar year 1/1/2018 to 12/31/2018 have been mailed. Please pay your invoice as soon as possible. Dues are \$15 for a year, or \$150 for a life time membership.

If you would like to pay your dues at this time, please use the form on the last page of the newsletter. Any organization that wants to continue needs to grow. Please try to promote the Alumni Association whenever you can.

CHANGE OF INFORMATION

Please be sure to notify us when you have a change of address, phone number or e-mail address. Changes may be sent to the Alumni Association in care of the Rectory, or, e-mailed to: **littlefloweralumni@comcast.net**.

Keeping us advised of changes to your address helps us to keep mailing costs down, as we have to pay a fee for each letter returned by the post office. Use of e-mail also helps us to cut expenses.

SCHOOL RECORDS

Did you know that you can obtain a copy of your school records for just a \$10 donation? There is a space on the enclosed form to order your records. Ladies, please remember to include your maiden name.

FOOD PANTRY

Your continuing donations to the Food Pantry are greatly appreciated. The requests the parish receive are an on-going thing. We are now working with St. Wenceslaus Parish to better assist those asking for help. St. Wenceslaus has a center with access to a number of agencies that offer help in a number of areas. Fr. Mike and the people of the Parish appreciate your generosity.

WE NEED YOUR HELP

Just a reminder: Please do not send in cash when mailing in your membership dues and donations. Also, enclose your check with the Registration Form from the Newsletter, completely filled out. **We require this information in order to save your data for the Alumni Database. Please note that all information is in a secure database that is never shared or sold to any organization or individual. Thank you for your support and cooperation**

Please remember to pray both for the men and women in service to our country, and for the families who support them.

GOD BLESS AMERICA

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