



# SHRINE NEWS



**JUNE 2020**

## **SHRINE OF THE LITTLE FLOWER ALUMNI ASSOCIATION NEWS**

### **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE-**

We hope this newsletter finds you safe and well. As the Corona Virus situation continues, we suggest that you continue to observe the guidelines set by your individual government agencies. Be SMART and be SAFE.

There are several important happenings concerning the alumni and Little Flower, so please read this newsletter thoroughly for the details.

We ask for your continued generosity especially during this crisis time. Please keep Fr. Mike and Little Flower in your prayers.

Thank-you. Bob Campbell, Class of 1953.

**ANNUAL BULL/OYSTER ROAST-** Unfortunately, due to the virus, this year's roast has been **CANCELLED**. It has been **RE-SCHEDULED FOR SUNDAY OCTOBER 10, 2021**.

**RAFFLE-** We will NOT be holding the raffle that has been advertised in previous mailings. Instead there will be a 50/50 raffle that will be drawn on "**LITTLE FLOWER SUNDAY**", **OCTOBER 4, 2020**. See separate entry regarding "Little Flower Sunday" events, including MASS, RECEPTION and TOURS.

Raffle tickets are included at the end of this letter. Purchase prices remain the same. **PLEASE NOTE:** If you have already sent in raffle ticket money and want a refund, let us know. Otherwise, hold on to the tickets as they will be used for the 50/50 drawing.

In addition to pushing the raffle tickets, please consider the money you would have spent at the bull roast and donate that amount to the Alumni Association. Remember, in addition to the ticket sales and raffle tickets sold at the roast, we are losing out on plant/cake wheel sales and 50/50 walk-around profits. So that the alumni can continue to assist in maintaining the Shrine complex, we will need additional funds to offset the income lost. **Need additional tickets? Call Bob (410) 933-3666. Thank-you!**

# *The Feast of St. Therese of Lisieux*

**LITTLE FLOWER SUNDAY – REUNION SUNDAY  
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2020**



THIS YEAR, WE CELEBRATE LITTLE FLOWER SUNDAY IN A  
VERY SPECIAL WAY, AS WE

**WELCOME HOME**

ALL OF THE SHRINE FAMILY AND FRIENDS.

WE ESPECIALLY WELCOME ALL ALUMNI OF SHRINE OF THE  
LITTLE FLOWER SCHOOL.

WE WILL CELEBRATE TOGETHER THE  
**SOLEMN MASS FOR ST. THERESE WITH CHOIR AND ORGAN  
AT 11:00 A.M. ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4TH**

A RECEPTION FOR ALL WILL FOLLOW THE MASS. THE RECEPTION WILL BE  
HELD IN THE RECTORY WITH VARIOUS STATIONS ALLOWING FOR SOCIAL  
DISTANCING, INCLUDING THE NEWLY RECONDITIONED WHEELER ROOM,  
WHICH IS EASY TO ACCESS. FATHER MIKE WILL DRAW THE 50/50 RAFFLE  
WINNER AT THE RECEPTION.

IN ADDITION, THE FORMER SCHOOL BUILDING AND CONVENT WILL BE  
AVAILABLE FOR YOU TO TOUR WITH YOUR FAMILY AND CLASSMATES.  
REKINDLE SOME MEMORIES, AND SEE HOW THE NEXT GENERATION IS MAKING  
MEMORIES OF THEIR OWN!

PARKING IS READILY AVAILABLE IN THE SCHOOL PLAYGROUND AND WILL BE  
MONITORED. IN ADDITION, SECURITY WILL BE ON SITE FOR YOUR COMFORT.  
CAR-POOLS FROM OVERLEA ARE BEING SET UP. CONTACT KATHY AT  
(410) 529-3994 OR TOMKATBEN@YAHOO.COM

*Come, celebrate this especially festive day in the life of Our Parish.  
Come, reunite with your friends and classmates.  
Come, with a friend or two or more!  
Come, be a part of the beauty and glory of St. Theresa's Shrine in  
Baltimore.*

## **++ SHRINE WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE ++**

**We are happy to announce that public masses have resumed**

**Saturday at 4pm**

**Sunday at 7am, 9am and 11am**

**Weekdays at 8am**

**Please try to attend once a month or quarterly if you can't attend more often.**  
With more participation by members and class reps, we can set up dates for certain  
classes, families, etc. to be recognized and assist in passing the word to classmates.

**MAINTENANCE REPORT-** Through YOUR generosity, in addition to the everyday  
expenses, the Alumni has been able to cover the following costs at the church and  
rectory since the beginning of the year:

- Repair/replace rectory locks
- Strip and wax rectory lower floors
- Purchase 2 de-humidifiers for the rectory
- Install LED lights in the church
- Repairs to church ceiling
- Repair leaks in church roof
- Sand and paint railing around the entire complex
- Clean carpets and chairs in the rectory
- Printing and postage for the Alumni newsletters

There are at least 2 other projects that are on the back burner until funds are raised.  
Obviously with the loss of revenue due to the cancellation of the Bull Roast, our bank  
account will deplete quickly. Any assistance you can give will be most appreciated.

As always we greatly appreciate the Alumni support and prayers in keeping our parish  
operational. We are also blessed to have a dedicated group of parishioners who  
volunteer their time and money to assist in other projects. Maintenance expenses  
continue to be a major factor in our Operating Budget as SLF Church and rectory are  
almost 70 years old. We are pleased that rectory dining room has been renovated  
thanks to efforts of Sean O'Conner, Jim O'Toole & Joseph Martenczuk. The Wheeler  
and Account Rooms have also been updated. The church sign on Belair Road has  
been repaired and now illuminates the marble wall and landscape. It also helps in  
keeping the area lit at night.

**IN MEMORIAM-** Please pray for the deceased & those in mourning:

**Sally Boerschel**, wife of **Paul '51** passed away on 3/12/20.

**Marilyn Derda**, grandmother of **Robert Barbarino '02**, passed away on 3/31/20.

**Frederick Frey '37**, brother of **Bernadette Hergenbahn '42** and brother-in-law of **Ronald Teller '53**, passed away on 6/19/20.

**Ron Goralski '52**, brother of **Shirley Brady '62**, passed on 4/15/20.

**Robert Gross '42**, brother of **Elaine Gross Gorski '53**, passed away on 4/24/20.

**Raymond Klausmeyer '66**, brother of **Mary Lou Stoewer '56**, **Walter Klausmeyer '63**, **Leslie Yekstat '63**, **Nancy Lemberger '66** and the late **Kathleen Rupert**, passed away on 4/16/20.

**John Polkowski '54** passed away on 4/4/20.

**PEW DEDICATIONS-** There are less than 20 half-pews remaining. We hope to have them spoken for by the end of the year and dedication plaques installed. Dedications may be individual or shared with siblings or classmates.

Please note that any contribution to the alumni in the amount of \$150.00 or \$200.00 qualifies for a half-pew in either the main part of the church or in one of the transepts. This contribution can be designated for the pew, maintenance or general fund. For more info, contact Bob Campbell at 410-933-3666 or [HSINN2@COMCAST.NET](mailto:HSINN2@COMCAST.NET)

### **MEMBERSHIP-**

Our membership has been falling off in recent years through attrition. The class years of the 40's and 50's have been the backbone of the SLF Alum Assoc. This is not to mean that other years are not supportive, just that the classes of the 40's and 50's made up a large portion of our membership.

If we are to continue to assist Little Flower in future years, there must be growth coming from the younger alumni. **We need your assistance** in achieving that goal. The class years of the 60's, 70's and 80's have the graduates who can make that happen. We ask that those class members actively recruit fellow grads and siblings to join the Alumni Association, so we can move forward.

**If you'd like to be a Class Rep, and help us by contacting friends (and relatives) who are not in the Alum Assoc, please do so. And please contact Bob Campbell, email [hsinn@comcast.net](mailto:hsinn@comcast.net) or phone 410 933-3666 and become part of the team.**

### **LOST TOUCH WITH A GOOD FRIEND?**

The Alum Assoc. may be able to assist you if you have lost touch with a good friend and would like to get back in touch! Send an email to [hsinn2@comcast.net](mailto:hsinn2@comcast.net) with your name, class year and phone # and the name of the person you are looking for. We can not release the contact info of anyone in the directory without permission. If that person is in the Alum Assoc directory, we will contact them and give them your info.

### **FIFTH SUNDAY MASSES:**

The Little Flower Alumni Association encourages Alumni and Friends of the Shrine to help support our Church by attending masses, especially the 11:00 a.m. mass on these 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month. 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 27 years.

***Aug 30 and Nov 29.***

Please contact us if you'd like to get a group together and/ or be recognized at a mass.

### **CONTACT THE COMMITTEE-**

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

### **ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTER-**

**Help us save money on postage and printing.** If you are interested in receiving the newsletter by e-mail only, please send your e-mail address to us at [littlefloweralumni@comcast.net](mailto:littlefloweralumni@comcast.net) . Please note it on the registration form at the end of this newsletter and submit as well. You will receive your issue about a week or two before those who have it mailed to them.

### **SHRINE WEBSITE-**

**We encourage everyone to log on to the Shrine's website:**

**[www.shrineofthelittleflower.org](http://www.shrineofthelittleflower.org)**

There is information on the website about the church and an Alumni Section. 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 include your graduation year.

**DUES-**

Invoices for the 2020 year have been mailed out. Dues are \$15 for a year, or \$150 for a lifetime membership. Your dues help support the Alumni Association, and the work we do for the parish.

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! Remind your friends and family to join! 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](mailto: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.

**TRIVIA-**

DID YOU KNOW THAT KAVON AVENUE WAS NAMED FOR THE BUILDER OF HUNDREDS OF AREA HOMES, FRANK NOVAK? HE DID NOT WANT A STREET IN HIS NAME. HIS EMPLOYEES REVERSED THE SPELLING AND SUBMITTED IT TO THE CITY.

DID YOU KNOW THAT, WHEN THE NEW LITTLE FLOWER CHURCH WAS BUILT, THE REMAINS OF AN OLD BREWERY WERE DISCOVERED ON THE FOUNDATION SITE?

DID YOU KNOW THAT THE ARCHBISHOP AT THE TIME OF THE FOUNDING OF THE PARISH WANTED THE NAME TO BE SAINT BRENDAN? FATHER WHEELER, THE FIRST PASTOR, REQUESTED THAT IT BE DEDICATED TO SAINT THERESA OF THE LITTLE FLOWER WHO HAD RECENTLY BEEN CANONIZED. THUS THE CHURCH AND STREET WERE NAMED.

Everyone is invited to contribute or comment their own memories from their years at the Shrine. We will edit and print them as space allows. Submit them to me at [hsinn2@comcast.net](mailto:hsinn2@comcast.net) Bob Campbell, Class of 1953.

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## REGISTRATION FORM JUNE, 2020

Please print. Return entire completed page. Please do not send cash.

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(LAST) (FIRST)  
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(MAIDEN) CLASS YR. \_\_\_\_\_

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ZIP CODE \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

CURRENT E-MAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE COMPLETE. We have hundreds of inactive email addresses on file.

PLEASE MAKE ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO:

LITTLE FLOWER ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Annual Dues - 1/1/20 - 12/31/20 (\$15): \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Alumni Dues – Lifetime Membership (\$150): \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Copy of School Records (\$10): \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
General Fund (Unrestricted Use): \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Maintenance Fund: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
50 - 50 Raffle Ticket Donation \$2.00 or 3 for \$5.00: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ \_\_\_\_\_

MAIL ENTIRE FORM AND CHECK TO:

SLF Alumni Association, 2854 Brendan Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21213

Would you like to receive the Newsletter by e-mail? \_\_\_\_\_  
(If so, please be sure that your correct e-mail address is listed above.)

NOTES / COMMENTS:

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