

**Little Flower Catholic Elementary School -- Newsletter for Friday, December 11, 2015**

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*The **mission** of Little Flower Catholic Elementary School is to cooperate with parents to provide our children a strong foundation, rooted in the Gospel of Jesus Christ and in academic excellence, for a life of faith, integrity and service.*

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**365 Days of Praying for Your Children: January**

Every year I intend to pray for my children daily. I know the importance of prayer. I know that nothing great can be accomplished without prayer. I know that prayer is the SINGLE MOST important thing that I can be doing as a parent. Yet, every year, I get to the end of the year and I realize that I did not pray for my children as much as I intended to. And, many times, the prayers I did pray were rushed and nonspecific.

***I want to change that this year. And I hope YOU want to change that, too.***

This year I have challenged myself to complete 365 days of specific prayer for my children. To help with this, I have provided a prayer calendar for each month with a new prayer suggestion for every day. I'm not going to limit myself to praying only for those items, and I am not going to tie myself down to the "schedule" so much that there is no spontaneity to my prayer life, but I **am** going to use the calendars to keep me on track and focused.

**And I would like to invite you to do the same thing.**

**Imagine what this year could be like if every single one of us prayed specifically every single day for every single one of our children! WOW!!!**

I hope you join me in this!! And, while you're at it, why don't you join our **facebook group** for more encouragement as you raise godly kids for Christ! Let's help each other out as we strive to raise godly children in today's society.

Here [ <http://cherigamble.com/tag/praying-for-my-children/> ] you will find this month's prayer calendar to help with that. Print it off, or, if you'd rather not print anything off, come back to this site each day for your new idea. I love it when you visit! Cheri [January's prayer calendar is printed on the back of this newsletter to get you started.]

+++++ **Additional Information for you to know** +++++

+++ Little Flower School received \$314.00 from **Box Top for Education** as a December 2015 Payout. THANK YOU to all of you who contributed to this effort.

+++ **First Reconciliation Parent Meetings for Parents of second graders** begin this **Sunday, January 10 at 9:30 AM** in Dorothy's Room. This will be the first of two parent meetings. The meeting will reintroduce parents to the Sacrament of Reconciliation and they will receive home study materials for their children.

The second Parent meeting will be held on **Sunday January 31 at 9:30 AM**. Children will receive the **Sacrament of Reconciliation on February 27** .

Our **third grade students** will have **Confirmation Retreat on Saturday, January 16, 9am-12noon**. Parents will receive reminder emails regarding tasks they have volunteered to help with for the retreat. Please make sure you and your third grader have completed the Confirmation workbook by this time.

Thank You, May God Bless you this New Year, Rebecca Leier

+++ **Lunch Change** due to funeral: Friday, January 15 – Fish patty with bun and pasta salad.