

Little Flower Catholic Elementary School -- Newsletter for Friday, November 6, 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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Little Flower School Honors Area Veterans Tuesday, November 10 with Noon Meal

Some of our students will share with other school students and staff special facts about their chosen veteran. It should be a fun, interesting and memorable day for all. Instead of just having a day off from school (Wednesday, Veterans Day) our students will also understand the reason for this special holiday. They will be able to interact with and learn from our area veterans—those who so courageously sacrificed to serve our God and country—thereby preserving the many wonderful freedoms we enjoy. This is just one example of how LFS students are able to provide community service and show their appreciation and love of neighbor. Thank you to all who will participate and will help make this an honorable and special celebration.

Veterans Day (Wednesday, Nov. 11) used to be known as Armistice Day. Armistice means “cease fire” and it relates back to the cease fire or ending of World War I that took place at the 11th hour on November 11, 1918. Our country started celebrating the holiday (Armistice Day) Nov. 11, 1919, as a way to remember the tragedies of war and the end of WWI and to honor those who served and died in that war. After the US had been involved in World War II and the Korean War, Congress renamed the holiday in 1954 to Veterans Day. It kept the November 11 date (like the original Armistice Day) but now is celebrated as a time to honor all who served or died in any war.

A Prayer for Veterans Day

Father, we could never thank our military men and women enough for their courageous service and sacrifice to our country and its people. Yet today we lift up our voices to express gratefulness and honor to these military troops both from the past and present. Show us ways in our communities, churches, and families to thank and love them better. Keep and protect these heroes and their families, in the powerful name of Jesus.

[<http://www.militaryfamiliespray.com/Prayers/a-prayer-for-veterans-day>]

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

+++ **Box Tops winning classroom is Grades 1 & 2** with 1,694 collected; Grades 5 & 6 collected 555; Grades 3 & 4 collected 324; Kindergarten collected 145. Congratulations Grades 1 & 2, and Thank You to all who participated!!!

+++ An **After-School Program** will now be offered through the Little Flower School Title I services. The program is for **students to receive help with their school work** and will be supervised by Miss Jenna Heilman. It will run **Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 3:30 to 4:30 PM in the Kindergarten room**. It is open to all Little Flower students. It is essential that students be picked up promptly at 4:30 PM. Starting date is Monday, November 16. NO after school program on early out and staff development day Wednesday November 18. Also NO program on Wednesday before Thanksgiving, November 25.

+++ **Early Out at 1:00 PM on Wednesday, November 18** for professional development.

+++ On Wednesday, November 25, we will be having a **Thanksgiving Prayer Service** at 12:30 PM in the Church. We are asking that each child bring a canned good to offer at this time. Parents & parishioners are invited to attend.

+++ The **Amazon Smile program** is now activated through the Little Flower Church/School. Once into AmazonSmile, you can shop on Amazon as normal. A small percentage of sales will come back to the school. With Christmas shopping coming up, it's a good time to start using it!! Here is the link: <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/45-0259763>. If you have questions, call Tonia Dosch at 701-776-5230.