

Dear Little Flower,

This weekend and the following weeks ahead are going to be action-packed for our parish! I would like to recognize the blessings of Genevieve Emanuel and Dan Grossano, who both - as of this weekend - are going to be officially incorporated into our Staff Team to be installed as our "Religious Formation and Family Faith Director" and "Pastoral Associate", respectively. Their ministry and particular charisms are gifts to our parish, and it will be a joy to work with them and serve the people of God! Action-packed I said: we are looking forward to hosting two community parish events. The Cornhole Tournament, led by Fr Matt, and the Golf Outing sponsored by our *Golf Team* next week. Our *Parish Council for Ministry Leaders* and their members are beginning to meet and plan for the year 2022-2023, many are ready for their kick-off meeting this month. On Sept. 19 (Monday) we will have our "Little Flower's Celebrity Scoop" at Rita's - see you there!

Things get better! The Catholic Church celebrates September 18 as the 2022 Catechetical Sunday. What does this mean? It means that we recognize, pray and are grateful for the mission and the missionaries (you and I) of today: our Catechists. By virtue of our common baptism, we as the people of God are called *to teach and to proclaim the gospel to all*, starting with our family, home and workplaces. We do have our official volunteer catechists for our Religious Education Program to recognize and be blessed at Mass next week. However, today enjoy, prayers for, and be blessed everyone!

Your Parish Priest,
Fr. JC Merino