ST. THERESE - LITTLE FLOWER ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

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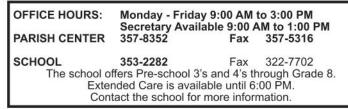
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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Mass 5:00 PM Saturday: 8:30 AM, 10:30 AM, 6:00 PM Sunday: Weekdays and Holy Days: Check inside the bulletin for schedule. **Communion Services** Check inside the bulletin.

Little Flower Church Mission Statement

Little Flower Church (St. Therese of the Infant Jesus) is a vibrant faith community in the Roman Catholic Tradition, striving to live out the Gospel values of Jesus Christ. Centered in the Eucharist, we are called by God to look beyond ourselves to respond compassionately to the needs of others.



SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3:45 PM to 4:30 PM or by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptisms are held on most Sundays during the year. Baptisms are held after the 10:30 am Mass. If you prefer to have your child's baptism scheduled during Mass, you may request this at the time you return the baptism information form. Requests for the date and time specified will be honored to the extent possible. Parents who have not yet received pre-baptismal instruction are required to attend a Baptismal Preparation Class that is held every other month. Call the Parish Office well in advance so that class arrangements may be made.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Contact the priest 9 to 12 months in advance. A Wedding Handbook is available from the Parish Office which provides the necessary information on arranging for a marriage.

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING/MINISTRY TO THE SICK

In an emergency, contact the parish at any time. Please contact the Parish Center if you or a loved one are hospitalized, or are confined to home or a nursing facility, to receive the Eucharist and/or Anointing. Hospitals and healthcare facilities no longer routinely inform churches when a parishioner is admitted.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY ORDERS

Priesthood or Vocation as a Religious Sister or Brother. Those considering entering the Priesthood or a religious vocation, please contact our Pastor or the Archdiocesan Vocation Office at 236-1490.

LITTLE FLOWER COUNSELING CENTER

Counseling services are available to Little Flower parishioners at a reduced rate. Please call Maureen Sweeney at (317) 617-2522.

INTERESTED IN THE CATHOLIC FAITH?

Inquiry Classes begin in late August as part of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). Call Parish Center for information.

PARISH REGISTRATION

We welcome all those visiting with us today. If you are interested in knowing more about our parish or wish to register for membership, please call the Parish Office. Registration forms are also available at each of the church doors.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Articles for the bulletin must be submitted in writing to the Parish center or by email to lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org by noon on Monday.



Dear Parish Family,

I hope that many of you took the opportunity to visit the ministry fair this weekend. I want to thank all the ministries who participated. Also, thank you to Pam Bolte who is giving the stewardship witness talk at all the Masses this weekend. You should have received your intention card in the mail this past week. I ask that you please bring your completed stewardship card to Mass next weekend (January 30/31). Each year we struggle with the return of the stewardship intention card. I hope you will help make our return rate much better this year by returning your intention card.

Tomorrow we celebrate the Feast of the Conversion of Saint Paul the Apostle and the conclusion of the Week of Prayer for Church Unity.

Next Sunday begins Catholic Schools Week. Our annual school open house will be next Sunday from 11:30 to 1:30 p.m. All parishioners are invited to see the good things happening in our school. We especially want to invite all those who have young children. This year the theme of Catholic Schools Week is "Catholic Schools: Communities of Faith, Knowledge and Service."

Our Christmas present to you and to our visitors was Matthew Kelly's *Rediscovering Jesus*. A couple of couples wrote us beautiful thank you notes for the book. Also, Tom Costello received the following thank you from Mark Moore from Dynamic Catholic:

Dear Tom,

As the Director of Ministry at Dynamic Catholic, I wanted to personally thank you for giving away books at your parish this Christmas. You generosity is an inspiration to all of us.

We are blessed to have an on-site Chapel where we have daily Mass. Our chaplain, Fr. Bob Sherry, and our whole team will be offering a Mass on February 2nd for you and your parish.

Matthew Kelly often reminds us that we will only even see less than 1% of the impact of our generosity. It lives on in other people, in other places, and in other times. Thanks for the opportunity to partner with you in making a difference in the lives of so many in your parish community.

God Bless,

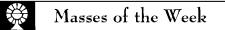
Mark Moore

Have a wonderful week.

fr. bob

Little Flower Catholic School OPEN HOUSE Sunday, January 31 11:30 AM-1:30 PM

Traditional Catholic School values in an innovative school setting. Visit our Engineering Lab, learn about Expert Projects, discover a better alternative to ISTEP, and much more. All are welcome!



FOR THE WEEK OF January 25 - 31, 2016

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25	January	Monday			
	5:30 p.m.	Norbert Mauer			
26	January	Tuesday			
	5:30 p.m.	Bill Harris by Ron and Diane Sharp			
27	January	Wednesday			
	5:30 p.m.	James Doherty			
28	January	Thursday			
	5:30 p.m.	Sadie Shikany by the Shikany Family			
29	January	Friday			
	8:30 a.m.	Charley Withem by Trish Kelly Condon			
	5:30 p.m.	Communion Service			
30	January	Saturday-Vigil of the 4 th Sunday in Ordinary Time			
	5:00 p.m.	For the Intentions of Isabella Mathias by Rita			
		Gibson			
31	January	Sunday- 4 th Sunday in Ordinary Time			
	8:30 a.m.	For the People			
	10:30 a.m.	David Chapman by Jerry and Jane Allsop			
	6:00 p.m.	Bob and Terry Sweeney by Mary Sweeney			

The Week Ahead

January 24 - 31, 2016

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DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP
Sunday	Church	8:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy
	Duffey Hall	9:00 a.m.	PTO Pancake Breakfast
	Duffey Hall	9:00 a.m.	Ministry Fair
	School	9:30 a.m.	Religious Ed
	Church	5:00 p.m.	Youth Choir Practice
		-	(Sing at 6 p.m. Mass)
Monday	Scout Room	6:00 p.m.	Webelos/Bear Scouts
	St. Patrick	6:30 p.m.	SVDP
	Off Campus	7:00 p.m.	Men's Club Board
			Meeting
Tuesday	St. Therese	9:30 a.m.	Legion of Mary
	Scout Room	6:00 p.m.	Tiger Scouts
	St. Therese	7:00 p.m.	RCIA
	Church	7:00 p.m.	Choir
Wednesday	St. Patrick	9:30 a.m.	Bible Study
	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	Liturgy Commission
Thursday	Scout Room	6:00 p.m.	Wolf Scouts
	St. Patrick	6:30 p.m.	Bible Study
	John 23 rd	7:00 p.m.	Stewardship
		-	Commission
	St. Therese	8:00 p.m.	AA
Saturday	St. Therese	7:07 a.m.	Men's Prayer Group
	Duffey Hall	10:00 a.m.	First Reconciliation
	-		Retreat
Sunday	Church	8:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy
	School	9:30 a.m.	Religious Education
	Duffey Hall	9:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts
	School	11:30 a.m.	Little Flower Open
			House
	Parish Center	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation Prep

Reconciliation

There will be a Reconciliation Retreat for the children in 2nd & 3rd grade who are preparing

for the Sacrament of Reconciliation and their parents. We will meet on Saturday, January 30, from 10 a.m. to noon. Please mark your calendars!



We extend our sympathy and condolences to Donna Clifford on the death of her husband, Jim Clifford, who died on January 13 and whose funeral liturgy was celebrated here on

January 19. Jim was 76 years young and a long time parishioner. Please keep all of Jim's family and friends in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. May God grant Jim eternal life.

FESTIVAL NEWS

SUMMERFEST 2016 planning will begin soon. Our summer festival dates this year are June 3, 4, and 5. A kick off meeting will be held on **Thursday, February 11**, at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Center for those who are willing to be part of the parish festival leadership team. Call Tom at 357-8352 with guestions.



The next Baptism Preparation Class is Monday, February 22, at 7 p.m. in the Parish Center. This class is required for parents who are requesting baptism for their

child and have not previously attended a preparation class. Please call the parish center at 357-8352 to let us know you plan to attend. Plan ahead, as the next class will not take place until the first part of May.

your attention please

Eucharistic Ministers & Altar Servers

A new schedule will be coming out soon for the months of March, April, and May. If you have any changes or times off, please let us know! (Remember Spring Break falls within this time period!) Eucharistic Ministers please email Ron Sharp at <u>duvkote@aol.com</u> or call him at <u>317-356-3488</u>. Altar Servers please email Lisa Gibbons at <u>Igibbons@littleflowerparish.org</u> or 317-357-8352 ext. 33. The deadline is February 8th.



Due to Lent beginning on February 10, the Adventuresome Group will meet on Wednesday, February 3, following the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Our guest speaker will be Joni Collins from Oak Street Health, a new facility that recently opened in Irvington. Please call the

Parish Center, 357-8352, if you plan on attending.



STEWARDSHIP OF TIME, TALENT AND TREASURE YOUR GIFTS TO GOD AND PARISH

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Weekly Budget Goal	\$	13,500.00
Collection of January 9 and 10	\$	6,715.00
Electronic Contributions 1/4 to 1/8	\$	6,033.00
Collection of January 16 and 17	\$	7,352.62
Electronic Contributions 1/11 to 1/15	\$	5,343.31
Fiscal Year 2015-2016 YTD Actual	\$	375,545,09
Fiscal Year 2015-2016 YTD Budget	\$	391,500.00
Fiscal Year 2015-2016 YTD Deficit	\$	- 15,954.91
<u>Home Improvement Fund</u>		
November Contributions	\$	2,107.58
December Contributions	\$	2,371.58
January Contributions (to date)	\$	1,586.08

OUR PARISH NEEDS YOUR STEWARDSHIP!

We hope everyone has a chance to visit the Ministry Fair on Sunday, January 24, from 9 a.m. until noon in conjunction with a PTO Pancake Breakfast as part of our regular Stewardship awareness activities.

Please bring your Stewardship Intention Card to Mass next weekend! It is important for planning purposes to have as many cards turned in as possible. Your intention card should have arrived in the mail this week. Extras will be available at the Church doors.

Please remember our parishioners who are ill, homebound, or in a nursing home in your thoughts and prayers. If you get a chance please send them a card or a note! This week we especially want to remember:

Mike Curtis 5047 E 13th Street, Indianapolis, IN 46201



Save The Date!

The Indiana Catholic Women's Conference will be held at the Marriott Hotel in downtown Indianapolis on Saturday, March 19. A great lineup of speakers so please check us out at: <u>www.indianacatholicwomen.com</u> or call <u>317-373-2125</u> for more information.



(grades 8 thru 12)

YOUTH CHOIR - new members are always welcome!

Sunday, January 24 N Sunday, February 7 M

Meet in church at 5 p.m. to sing 6 p.m. Mass Meet in church at 5 p.m. to sing 6 p.m. Mass

YOUTH ROOM WILL BE OPEN FOR ALL YOUTH ON SUNDAY, February 7 for snacks and the Super Bowl. A generous parishioner has made a donation specifically for this. Please plan to attend.



On Sunday, January 31, Confirmation candidates (LF and OLL) and team will gather for Session 5 in the Parish Center from 7 p.m. until 9 p.m.

Please consider remembering Little Flower in your estate planning!

just to let you know

Lectio Divina Series scheduled

The Sisters of Providence of Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, Indiana, have scheduled a four-session Lectio Divina series for Feb. 4, 11, 18, and 25. Each session in the series will take place from 10-11:30 a.m. at the Providence Spirituality and Conference Center. Participants will learn this simple way of listening contemplatively to a poem of a Bible passage. Cost is \$40 for the series and the registration deadline is Feb. 1. For more information or to register, call 812-535-2952, email jfrost@spsmw.org register online at or events.sistersofprovidence.org.

Retreat for Busy Catholic Moms' scheduled

All busy mothers are invited to join the Sisters of Providence of Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, Indiana, for "Retreat for Busy Catholic Moms," from 7 p.m., Friday, Feb. 26, to 1:30 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 28. The retreat will take place at Providence Spirituality and Conference Center. The time together will include presentations, prayer, learning from others, Mass and more. Cost is \$200, and the registration deadline is Feb. 22. Cost for the retreat includes meals and lodging. For more information or to register, call <u>812-535-2952</u>, email<u>ifrost@spsmw.org</u>, or register online at <u>events.sistersofprovidence.org</u>.

About Providence Spirituality & Conference Center

Providence Spirituality & Conference Center at Saint Mary-ofthe-Woods, Ind., serves as a welcoming center for the Sisters of Providence motherhouse and offers outreach to the community through tours, facility rentals, spiritual programs and retreats, and Sunday Brunch. More information about Providence Spirituality & Conference may be found at ProvCenter.org.

About the Sisters of Providence

The Sisters of Providence, a Congregation of nearly 320 women religious, with more than 200 Providence Associates, exist to further God's loving plans by devoting themselves to serving others through works of love, mercy and justice. The Sisters of Providence have their motherhouse at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, located just northwest of downtown Terre Haute, Ind. Saint Mother Theodore Guerin founded the Sisters of Providence at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods in 1840. Today, Sisters of Providence minister in 17 states, the District of Columbia and Asia. More information about the Sisters of Providence and their ministries may be found at <u>www.SistersofProvidence.org</u>.



Annual financial statements will be prepared and mailed <u>no</u> <u>later than</u> January 25. Statements for Christ our Hope United Catholic Appeal will be mailed by the Archdiocese. Statements for donations to the capital campaign will be separate from the statements for regular parish donations. Please call Tom at 317-357-8352, ext 30 or email <u>tom@littleflowerparish.org</u> with any questions once your statement(s) have arrived.

You Can Have a Happy Marriage!

Retrouvaille provides the tools to help put your marriage in order again. The word RetrouvailleTM (pronounced re-tro-vi with a long i.) is a French word meaning rediscovery. Thousands of couples headed for cold, unloving relationships or divorce have successfully overcome their marriage problems through Rretrouvaille. The Retrouvaille Program begins with a weekend, when you will have a chance to reflect on your lives together in a new and positive way, and in complete privacy, with your spouse.

Location:Fatima Retreat House, IndianapolisDate:February 26 – 28, 2016Reg. Fee:\$100.00 *Contact:Chuck and Janet SchooleyReg. Phone:317-489-6811

http://www.retroindy.com/

*no couple is ever denied the chance to heal and renew their marriage because of lack of funds.

TMIY (That Man is You!)

Is an interactive, multimedia men's program focused upon the development of authentic male leadership. The program content harmonizes current social and medical science with the teachings of the Church and the wisdom of the saints to develop the vision of man fully alive. It is particularly indebted to the teachings of the Second Vatican Council and Pope John Paul II.

Come join men from Little Flower, Our Lady of Lourdes, and Holy Spirit for the new spring semester. We averaged 50 men for the 2015 fall semester and expect that number to grow. This program is for any age catholic men and especially beneficial for men who are actively parenting young children. Indeed, independent research from a Faith Advisor to The Gallup Poll reveals That Man is You! to be one of the most life transforming programs ever studied.

We meet Monday Mornings at Fatima Knights of Columbus, 1040 N. Post Road. Schedule:

6:00 am – Breakfast, 6:30 am – Presentation,

7:00 am – Small Group Discussions, 7:30am – Conclusion

Register for this free program online at <u>www.thatmanisyou.org</u> or at your local parish. For further information or questions call: Bill McLaughlin at <u>317-748-2800</u>.



"Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful" (Lk 6:36)

Jan. 29-30, 2016: We pray for all those in Consecrated Life - that the vocation of Consecrated Life will be fostered and encouraged within the Archdiocese of Indianapolis and around the world.



Contact person: Susan 317-626-1454

via the LFLC.

