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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Mass

Saturday: 5:00 PM
Sunday: 8:30 AM, 10:30 AM, 6:00 PM
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.

OFFICE HOURS: Monday - Friday 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM
PARISH CENTER Secretary Available 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM
357-8352 Fax 357-5316

SCHOOL 353-2282 Fax 322-7702
The school offers Pre-school 3's and 4's through Grade 8.
Extended Care is available until 6:00 PM.
Contact the school for more information.

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?

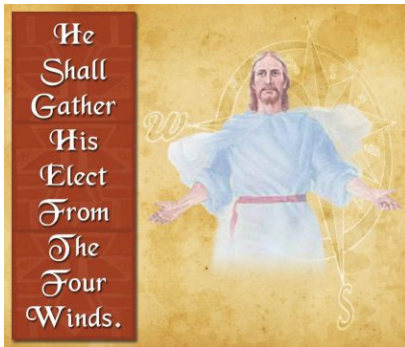
Inquiry Classes begin in late August as part of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). Call Parish Center for information.

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,

Thank you to all those who worked so hard to make this year's All-Class Reunion last weekend special. Special thanks to Tom Costello who puts in countless hours every year to make this event happen. Also, thanks to our parish and school staff, our adult choir and student liturgical choir, Renee Conder, Class of 1965, Diane Wurz Gray, Class of 1965, Carol Collins Routh, Class of 1967, the family of Jerry Woods Ellis, and to all those who attended. Also, every year the management and staff of the Indianapolis Marriott East do an outstanding job with our social and dinner.

Feedback from alumni, especially the honorees and their families, suggests that the evening could not have gone better. The food was delicious. However, I think what the alumni enjoyed most of all was the opportunity to visit with former classmates and friends. The highlight of the evening, of course, was the presentation of awards.

Each year the \$1,000 Bob Kiley Scholarship is awarded to an outstanding 8th grader who is an altar server. This year all four applicants were equally deserving, so we awarded each student a \$500 scholarship. The winners were 8th graders Walter Egan, Emma Rose Gedig, Alice Hughey, and Annie Sidor. Congratulations to them and their parents.

Also, congratulations to four outstanding alumni who were added to our Wall of Honor. In their remarks, all four spoke of their appreciation for their Catholic school education. All four were also graduates of a Catholic high school, and one was a graduate of a Catholic university. At the end of the evening, one made the point that all four of them talked about giving back.

Geraldine (Jerry) Woods Ellis, Class of 1947, was honored for her faithfulness to her vocation as wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother and for her generosity to Little Flower. Jerry, who lived in Pennsylvania since 1972, died on October 11, 2014. She is only the second alumnus or alumna to be honored posthumously. When we chose to honor her, we had hoped that at least someone from her family would be here to represent her. Four of her daughters made the trip to Indianapolis. Her children relayed that her life was shaped by her education and the values she learned early at Little Flower.

Michael J. Conaton, also from the Class of 1947, is the retired President and Vice Chairman of the Midland Company, Cincinnati. A graduate of Xavier University in Cincinnati, Mike has served Xavier University as a Board member, Chairman of the Board, Interim President, and Williams College of Business, Executive in Residence. Although retired, he generously continues to serve on several boards. He credits his Little Flower education, together with family support, as the foundation for all his future accomplishments. In his remarks, he mentioned that a key lesson he learned early was to be a person for others but who does not give in to himself.

Dr. Mary Jeanne (O'Gara) Burger, PhD., M.D., the daughter of parishioners Tom and Jeanne O'Gara, graduated from Little Flower in 1979 and Sceecina Memorial High School in 1983. After graduation from DePauw University, she earned a PhD in pharmacology at Indiana University, did a post-doctoral fellowship at the Walther Oncology Center in 1995, and worked as a contract scientist at Eli Lilly and Company. Her lifelong interest in science and medicine then led her to the IU School of Medicine. For most of the last decade, she has worked as a primary care physician. According to Mary Jeanne, Little Flower instilled an appreciation for Catholic education that began at home with her parents.

John Duffy graduated from Little Flower School in 1982, Sceecina Memorial High School in 1986, and the University of Indianapolis in 1991. Today John serves as a Senior Vice President-Investments for Morgan Stanley Wealth Management. John was a cabinet member for the Archdiocese's "Legacy for Our Mission" campaign and served as a member of the Board of Directors for Sceecina Memorial High School. He currently serves on the Bishop Simon Bruté College Seminary Advisory Board. In 2013, John and his wife Melissa established a donor-advised fund with the Catholic Community Foundation to enable them to make charitable contributions to Catholic ministries. According to John, his years at Little Flower were filled with challenges, accomplishments, moments of success, and plenty of humbling moments. These experiences, coupled with what he learned from his family, prepared him to compete and motivated him to try to succeed in the real world, and for that he will be forever grateful.

Have a wonderful week.

fr. bob



NEWLY
BAPTIZED

Please welcome into our Christian community Abigail Jo, daughter of Brandon and Rachel (Eaton) Marks,

who was baptized on Sunday, November 8, 2015.



The Liturgy Commission is looking for families to help with the lighting of our Advent wreath at the beginning of each Mass this Advent season beginning the weekend of November 28/29. This is a great way for families to have a special part

in our liturgies as we prepare for the birth of the baby Jesus! Contact Marlaina Pertile 796-6109 or marlaina81@hotmail.com to sign up.

Due to the Thanksgiving holiday bulletin submissions for the weekend of Nov. 28/29 must be received by 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 18. Thank you!



Masses For The Week

FOR THE WEEK OF November 16-22, 2015

16	November	Monday	Deceased Members of the Ley Family by Carol Freeland
17	November	Tuesday	For the Intentions of Melinda Clark by a Friend
18	November	Wednesday	Charley Withem by Jack Withem and Family
			Communion Service
19	November	Thursday	at Greentree – Mildred Mauer
			Communion Service
20	November	Friday	Jerry Jett by the Jett Family
			Communion Service
21	November	Saturday	Vigil of Christ the King
			Mary Helen Arvin by Jennifer Arvin
22	November	Sunday-Christ the King	Augustine and Linda Estrada by the Estrada Family
			10:30 a.m. George Haddin
			6:00 p.m. For the People

The Week Ahead

November 15-22, 2015

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP
Sunday	Blood Pressure Check after all Masses		
	Church	8:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy
	Duffey Hall	9 a.m.- Noon	PTO Pancake Breakfast
	School	9:30 a.m.	Religious Education
	Ladies Club distribution of cards during Pancake Breakfast		
Monday	Scout Room	6:00 p.m.	Webelo/Bear Scouts
	St. Patrick	6:30 p.m.	SVDP
Tuesday	St. Patrick	9:30 a.m.	Legion of Mary
	Sewing Room	10:00 a.m.	Mission Sewing
	Duffey Hall	6:00 p.m.	Little Flower Neighborhood Assoc.
	Scout Room	6:30 p.m.	Girl Scouts #2441
	Church	7:00 p.m.	Choir
	St. Therese	7:00 p.m.	RCIA
Wednesday	St. Therese	9:30 a.m.	Bible Study
	Church/PC	11:00 a.m.	Adventuresome Group
	Scout Room	6:00 p.m.	Tiger Scouts
	Holy Family	6:30 p.m.	Girl Scouts #2443
Thursday	Holy Family	12:00 p.m.	SVDP
	Holy Family	4:45 p.m.	Girl Scouts #3643
	Scout Room	6:00 p.m.	Wolf Scouts
	St. Patrick	6:30 p.m.	Bible Study
	St. Therese	8:00 p.m.	AA
Friday	Holy Family	All day	SVDP
Saturday	St. Therese	7:07 a.m.	Men's Prayer Group
	St. Therese	9:00 a.m.	SVDP
	Duffey Hall	1:00 p.m.	Ladies Club "Soup to Go" Pick-Up
	New Parishioner Registration after Mass		
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
	Parish Center	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation Prep
	Holy Family	7:30 p.m.	Women's CRHP

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

Weekly Budget Goal	\$	13,500.00
Collection of November 7 and 8	\$	9,331.65
Electronic Contributions 11/2-11/6	\$	6,263.00
Fiscal Year 2015-2016 YTD Actual	\$	238,840.16
Fiscal Year 2015-2016 YTD Budget	\$	256,500.00
Fiscal Year 2015-2016 YTD DEFICIT	\$	- 17,659.84

Home Improvement Fund

August Contributions	\$	2,316.33
September Contributions	\$	2,058.58
October Contributions	\$	2,271.93
November Contributions (to date)	\$	1,260.25

SVDP NEWS



Food Drive

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is in need of food donations for our Thanksgiving bags of food. We are in need of instant potatoes, stuffing mix, canned green beans, corn, fruit, and packaged gravy mixes. These items can be dropped off at the parish center or placed in the SVDP cart in the back of the church anytime before Nov. 18. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Choir

We are sending out the call for all you Christmas singers to mark your schedules for Christmas Choir. The practices will be on the 5 Tuesdays preceding Christmas with this schedule:

Nov. 24	7:00 to 8:30pm
Dec. 1	7:00 to 9:00pm
Dec. 8	7:00 to 9:00pm
Dec. 15	7:00 to 9:00pm
Dec. 22	7:00 to 9:00pm

If you sign up, you commit to sing for at least 2 of these Masses:

Dec. 24th	10:00 PM (Music begins at 9:25 - Arrive at 9:10)
Dec. 27th	10:30 AM Mass (Music begins at 10:15- Arrive at 10:00 AM)
Jan. 3rd	10:30 AM Mass (Music begins at 10:15- Arrive at 10:00 AM)

In order to participate you must be 6th grade or older and if you are in 6th, 7th, or 8th grade you must be currently singing in choir or playing in band for school. This choir is usually a wonderful experience. Bring your family and friends and come sing with us this year.

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Ladies Club - Thank you!

A big "Thank You" to all the Ladies who donated baked goods for the Little Flower Ladies Club Bake Sale booth at the Irvington Halloween

Festival. The sale was successful, the weather was tolerable and the ladies who worked the booth had a great time greeting all the festival visitors. Channel 13 stopped at the booth during set-up at 7 a.m. requesting an interview! Our own Amy Clegg was elected to do the interview for us and did a great job!

Lades Club Soup to Go! Please grab an order form at the church exits and place your order today! The best deal going, so don't delay! The orders are due Monday, November 16, at 3 p.m.

Please consider remembering
Little Flower in your estate planning!

Spreading the Holiday Scrip Shopping Cheer!

Believe or not, the holidays are quickly approaching! This year has flown by, but rest assured, there is no need to panic about the hustle and bustle that lies ahead in the weeks to come. Instead make plans to make the most of the Holiday Season by purchasing gift cards through our Scrip Program! There are Scrip Order Forms at all the entrances of Church. Orders are placed on Tuesdays, and are available for pickup on Fridays. (Payment must accompany your order.) You may drop off order forms at the Parish Office, through School, or the collection basket. We also have an assortment of gift-cards on hand to purchase. If you have any questions please call Lisa at the parish office, 357-8352 ext. 33. Keep watching the bulletin for more Scrip News.

The Ladies Club Card Sale

The Ladies Club would like to thank everyone who supported our Card Sale. Cards may be picked up after all Masses the weekend of November 21-22. There will also be packages of 5 cards for \$5 for sale if you would have liked to purchase cards but didn't feel the need for a large number.

YOUTH NEWS

(grades 8 thru 12)

YOUTH CHOIR WILL NOT PRACTICE ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15.

YOUTH CHOIR will sing at 6 p.m. Mass on Sundays, November 22 and December 6, meeting in Church at 5 p.m.

YOUTH ROOM will be open for pizza on Sunday, December 6 following the 6 p.m. Mass until 8:30 p.m.



On November 22 Confirmation candidates (LF and OLL) and team gather for Session 2 in the parish center from 7 p.m. until 9 p.m.

On the weekend of November 21 and 22, as we celebrate the Feast of Christ the King, lectors, servers, music ministers, greeters, ushers, and arts and environment ministers will be commissioned at all Masses. (Because of their special role, Eucharistic ministers will be commissioned next spring at the Holy Thursday liturgy.) Please plan to come forward for a special blessing at whatever Mass you attend.

TAKE NOTE

LECTORS will need their new workbooks for the year beginning with the readings of November 28 and 29. Please pick up your copy in the sacristy

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL DISTRIBUTION CENTER VOLUNTEERS – Celebrate Christmas by giving of yourself. Please join us December 5, 2015 from 8 a.m. – Noon, at 1201 E Maryland St., to help serve struggling families in Indianapolis. First time volunteers are much appreciated, and there will be repeat volunteers present to show you what to do. If you have questions, please call Larry Heil at 657-7093. Team 1 - Little Flower, St. Philip Neri, Holy Cross, Holy Spirit, and St. Lawrence; is responsible to provide volunteers on December 5.

**SECICINA MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL****Seccina placement tests**

There are still two dates left for students to take the High School Placement Test at Seccina Memorial High School on Nov. 21 and Dec. 5. All eighth-grade students applying to Seccina will need to take the High School Placement Test, and it is free to take it at Seccina! To sign up for one of these dates, you can go to www.seccina.org/placement-test or call the Enrollment Management Office at (317) 352-3287.



Our next Adventuresome Group meeting will be on Wednesday, November 18, following the 11 a.m. Mass. We will be celebrating Thanksgiving! Please plan on coming and joining us for lunch and fellowship! Please call the parish center to RSVP or sign-up after Mass this weekend. Sign-up sheets will be at the doors of church.

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 and Pauline Shikany, St. Paul Hermitage, 501 N. 17th St., Indianapolis, IN 46107**

**Kroger Community Rewards**

We received our third quarter check from **The Kroger Community Rewards Fundraiser** in the amount of \$1365.06 with **97 households participating between July 1-September 30, 2015!** You could help Little Flower School earn up to \$50,000 every three months!! How? By shopping at Kroger's and using your registered Kroger Plus Card. To register your Kroger Plus Card, go to www.kroger.com/communityrewards. You will first sign-in to your Kroger account or register for a new account. After you log into your account, it will ask for an Organization Number. Our Organization Number is 10278. The more you spend at Kroger, the larger the check Little Flower will receive. Note: It will be necessary for you to re-register for this program every year. Thanks in advance!

HELP Needed

Volunteers are invited to assist Holy Cross Chapel St. Vincent de Paul Food Basket Committee, 125 N. Oriental St., with its annual (47th year) giveaway of food to those in need:

Thanksgiving food distribution:

Sunday, November 22- putting together 1300 bags of food in Holy Cross Church after 9:15 a.m. Mass.

Monday, November 23- putting in final items for the bags of food beginning at 9:00 a.m. with distribution at 4:00 p.m. (we prepare items in the gym to give those in line hot soup, drinks, snacks, socks, etc.) We open the gym at 4:00 p.m. and need several volunteers throughout the day

Christmas food distribution:

Sunday, December 13- putting together 800 bags of food in Holy Cross Church after 9:15 a.m. Mass.

Monday, December 14- putting in final items for the bags of food beginning at 9:00 a.m. with distribution at 4:00 p.m. (again we open the gym at 4:00 and give out hot soup, drinks, snacks, gloves, hats, etc.) We need several volunteers from 9:00 a.m. through 6:00 p.m. Many Blessings to All Who Serve in so many ways as we together hear and answer the cry of the poor and those in need!



Journey into Advent Faith, Family and Fun

Who: All are welcome

What: Family Advent evening with pizza provided for dinner.

When: Monday, November 23 from 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

Where: School cafeteria

Why: This is an opportunity for families and individuals to prepare for Advent before it begins on November 29.

Families will have an opportunity to make an “Advent Calendar” that help them count down the days to Christmas.

NOTE: Reservations are needed so that supplies and food may be ordered, so please contact Peggy Clegg at pclegg@littleflowerparish.org or 357-8352 x32 by Friday, November 20, if you are planning on attending.

There is no charge for the evening, but a free will offering basket will be available.

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