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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 is provided to Little Flower Parishioners at a reduced rate. Call Jackie Montrie at 616-0029 or Mark Williams at 364-8184.

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,**

Last week we were privileged to hear Brother Roy Smith, C.S.C., ask for our prayers and financial support for the Holy Cross missions in Black Africa. He said several things that are worth thinking about or remembering.

The first were the two sayings he presented to us: "If God will bring you to it, God will bring you through it" and "Don't worry about tomorrow, God is already there. Hearken to the Lord's voice."

The statistics he presented were both exhilarating and sobering:

Black Africa is one of the church's most vibrant communities. Statistics show that over 1,000 converts enter the church every day and that there are now over 130 million Catholic Christians in Black Africa. There are many vocations to the priestly and religious life. It is simply the fastest growing segment of our church.

...right now there are more African Brothers of Holy Cross in West Africa than there are American Holy Cross religious.

We should be exhilarated by the growth of the Catholic Church in Black Africa, but we should be sobered when we think of the Catholic Church in Western Europe and the United States. Today we are told that the Catholic Church in the United States is losing more members than any other Christian denomination. It is estimated that 31.4% of Catholics attend Mass on any given Sunday. Only 23% of Catholic attend Mass every Sunday. The number of Catholic priests in the United States has dropped from 58,909 in 1975 (the year I was ordained) to 38,964 in 2012.

In Matthew's Gospel, Jesus challenges the Pharisees and the Sadducees for their inability to read "the signs of the times." Therefore, the question we probably all need to ask ourselves is what these numbers are telling us.

If anyone was not here last weekend or did not have extra money for the second collection for the Holy Cross missions in Black Africa, you can still contribute by placing your donation, clearly marked for the Holy Cross missions, in this weekend's or next weekend's collection..

Finally, congratulations to Charlie Withem on being named Catholic Layman of the Year by the Bishop Chatard Assembly of the Knights of Columbus for his service to Church and Community. Charlie's service is most visible in Church. However, over the years, he has volunteered in many capacities here at Little Flower and in the large church community.

Have a wonderful week.

fr. bob



We extend our sympathy and condolences to Rick & Karen Lyons and their family on the death of Rick's father, **Richard Lyons**, who recently passed away. Please keep all

of Richard's family and friends in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. May God grant Richard eternal life.

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Are You Interested in the Catholic Faith? Little Flower Parish will soon begin a new journey in faith to share the richness of the Catholic Church, and our parish family. We will begin on Tuesday, Sept. 3, from 7 – 8:30 p.m. in the Parish Center. If you have questions or would like to **register please call 357-8352 or email Lisa at lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org**.

**Masses of the Week****FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 19 - 25, 2013**

- 19 August Monday**
7:00 a.m. Communion Service
5:30 p.m. Patrick T. Moriarty by Michael Moriarty
- 20 August Tuesday**
8:30 a.m. Communion Service
5:30 p.m. Rosemary Maginn by Ron and Diane Sharp
- 21 August Wednesday**
8:30 a.m. Art Meier
5:30 p.m. Communion Service
- 22 August Thursday**
8:30 a.m. Communion Service
1:30 p.m. Crestwood-Walter & Anna Bordenkecher
5:30 p.m. Communion Service
- 23 August Friday**
8:30 a.m. Frances Dugan
5:30 p.m. Communion Service
- 24 August Saturday**
8:30 a.m. Communion Service
5:00 p.m. **Vigil of the 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Charles and Mary O'Hara by Jim O'Hara
- 25 August Sunday – The 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time**
8:30 a.m. James Gilday
10:30 a.m. Peg Pierce by Eric and Susan Mortensen
6:00 p.m. For the People

**Dates to Remember****August 18 - 25, 2013**

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP
Sunday	New Parishioner Registration after all Masses		
	Parish Grounds	11:30 a.m.	Parish Picnic
	Church	7:00 p.m.	Youth Choir Practice
Monday	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	SVDP
Tuesday	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	RCIA Team Meeting
Wednesday	St. Therese	9:30 a.m.	Bible Study
	St. Patrick	6:00 p.m.	Finance Council
	Scout Room	6:15 p.m.	Brownies #2443
Thursday	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	Stewardship Commission
	St. Therese	8:00 p.m.	AA
Friday	St. Therese	10:00 a.m.	Little Petals Play Group
Saturday	St. Therese	7:00 a.m.	Men's Prayer Group
Sunday	Duffey Hall	9:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, September 2nd for Labor Day.

ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

Our annual Fr. Robert Borchertmeyer Golf Outing has been scheduled for Friday, September 6 at Pleasant Run Golf Course. We need your help to make the outing a success. We are also in need of sponsors. Please see the flyer in today's bulletin.

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

Art Snider

3185 E. 600 N, Whiteland, IN 46184

Senior News

The second **East Deanery Senior Health Lunch Series** will be on **Tuesday, August 27, at Our Lady of Lourdes**. It will begin with lunch at 11:30 a.m. This week's topic is "**Healthy Brain**". The program is free. Please contact Joni LeBeau at 236-1475 or jlebeau@archindy.org if you plan on attending. This will help to ensure that we have plenty of food.

THE TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

Weekly Budget Goal	\$ 13,500.00
Collection of Aug 10 th and 11 th	\$ 9,308.80
Electronic Contributions 8/5- 8/9	\$ 1,814.00
Fiscal Year-To-Date Actual	\$ 90,775.63
Fiscal Year-To-Date Budget	\$ 94,850.00
Fiscal Year-To-Date Deficit	\$ - 4,074.37

Home Improvement Fund

April Contributions	\$ 2,345.25
May Contributions	\$ 1,955.75
June Contributions	\$ 1,894.75
July Contributions	\$ 1,797.70
August Contributions (to date)	\$ 1,381.25

HOME IMPROVEMENT FUND

Thank you for our continued contributions in the monthly Home Improvement Fund envelope. Recently, money from the Home Improvement Fund was used to replace two of the small flat roof on the east side of the parish center. Serious leaks were causing water damage inside the building. Thanks to your generosity, these repairs were made without any impact on our operating budget.

YOUTH NEWS - grades 8 thru 12

YOUTH CHOIR will practice on Sunday, August 18, from 7:00 p.m. until 8:15 p.m. in Church. New members are always welcome! We will also sing at 6 p.m. Mass on August 25 and September 1, meeting in Church at 5 p.m.

YOUTH ROOM will be open after 6 p.m. Mass on Sunday, August 25 until 8:30 p.m..

NATIONAL CATHOLIC YOUTH CONFERENCE!

PLEASE READ. This is going to be a great experience, but you must register quickly. If you will be in high school in the fall, you are eligible to go. We are hoping for quite a few kids from Little Flower. I am planning to attend also.....Tom

East Deanery Youth Ministry is accepting registrations for high school students to attend the National Catholic Youth Conference in Indianapolis this November 21-23. This is a conference that gathers 25,000 Catholic youth from all over the country for a weekend of faith experience and fun. For more information and to register, go to edcym.blogspot.com or call/e-mail Gabby Bibeau, the East Deanery Youth Minister, at 353-9404 ext. 7 or gbibeau@holyspirit.cc

**Please consider remembering
Little Flower in your estate planning!**



The next Baptism Preparation Class is Monday, August 26, 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 end of October.



"Mum" is the word! The Ladies Club is at it again helping to make your gardens beautiful. Please check the entrances to the church for an order form flyer with all the contact information on it.



Choir Time is almost here. Adult choir sings at the 8:30 a.m. Mass most Sundays, September through May. We practice on Tuesday nights 7-8:30 p.m. We are looking for new members in all voices. It would be soooo nice if some young parents would take a chance on us this year. If you can sing, your talent is needed. Practices begin on Tuesday, September 3. Call Teresa Eckrich at 443-2425 for more details. Hope to see you there.

The Ladies Club could use your help. Does your summer vacation include a stay at a hotel or motel? The Ladies Club is in need of new soaps, shampoo's, etc. from your stay to replenish our supply. Here's why! In November we will be stuffing tube socks with these small items and donating them to the downtown Cathedral soup kitchen for the poor. The Ladies Club will have a basket in the vestibule of church for your donations. Thank you for helping us out.



The Missionary Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe will be at the Abortion Center at 1201 N Arlington on Thursday, August 22 from 1-5 p.m. Please join us in prayer during this time. If you can cover an hour, please contact Anita Moody 918-0997 or Bobbie Lawless 727-2395. The image will be taken to Little Flower Church at 5 p.m. and will remain there until 6 p.m. Friday, August 23. The image will be outside the Adoration Chapel during that time period. If you are involved in Eucharistic Adoration, please make veneration of the image part of your hour. If you would like to spend time with the image, the church will be open on August 23, from 8 a.m.-10 a.m., (there will be an 8:30 a.m. Mass), 12 noon-2 p.m., and 4-6 p.m.



It's back! Time to celebrate the young adult community in the Archdiocese of Indianapolis!

Archbishop Tobin has graciously invited us to continue the tradition of 'bashing-it-up' at his residence for Mass on the grass, a cookout, games, live music, and more! ALL young adults are invited (ages 18-35). In the past years, hundreds of young adults attended this event. It is a great opportunity to spend time with the archbishop as well as meet the different groups of young adults from all over the central and southern Indiana! **Sunday, September 15, 2013, 5 p.m. at the Archbishop's Residence: 4320 Cold Spring Road, Indpls, IN 46228.** Mass begins at 5 p.m., followed by a cookout, live music, cornhole, and volleyball!

Don't miss Abby Johnson at the Celebrate Life Dinner Tuesday, September 17 at the Indianapolis Convention Center

Abby Johnson, former abortion clinic manager turned pro-life advocated and author of the bestselling testimonial, *unPlanned*, will be the keynote speaker at Right to Life of Indianapolis' annual Celebrate Life Dinner. Tickets are \$60 per person. For more information visit www.rtlindy.org or call 582-1526.

Please save the date!

Little Flower will host their All Class Reunion on November 2, 2013. **The Class of 1953 will be celebrating our 60th reunion!** (We will be asking for reservations later.) We are looking for the following classmates:

Beverly Holden	Dorothy Brown	Sara Marie Fisher
Kay Newman	Beverly & Barbara Bowley	Mary Ann Hoagland Burton
Joan Dower	Bill Moore	

If you can help us locate these classmates please contact Mary Reid Skinner 317-891-9866 or June Nally Jorgenson 317-894-9070.

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