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ST. THERESE - LITTLE FLOWER ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

4720 E. 13th Street Indianapolis, Indiana 46201

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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.

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At-Large Member	Mike Perron

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.

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.

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www.usccb.org

Dear Parish Family,

This Sunday, September 15, is Catechetical Sunday. The theme for this year's Catechetical Sunday is "Open the Door of Faith." According to the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops website, "catechetical Sunday is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the role that each person plays, by virtue of Baptism, in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel. Catechetical Sunday is an opportunity for all to rededicate themselves to this mission as a community of faith."

Our Sunday Religious Education program for students in Grades K-8 who do not attend Catholic Schools begins today. If your children in Grades K-8 do not attend a Catholic School and you have not registered them for religious education yet, please do so as soon as possible.

Our Little Flower Novena begins this Thursday, September 19, at 5:30 p.m. with the Novena prayers, a reading from Fr. Ron Rolheiser, and a Communion Service. The Novena will take place on nine **weekday** evenings, omitting Saturday and Sunday. We will celebrate the Feast of St. Therese at all the Masses on the weekend of September 28-29. On her actual feast day, Tuesday, October 1, there will also be an all-school Mass at 8:30 a.m. The Solemn Closing of the Novena will take place at 5:30 p.m.

Next weekend, September 20-22, is the *Christ Renews His Parish* Men's Weekend. Please pray both for the team and the men making the weekend. Because I will be helping with the weekend on Saturday evening, Fr. George Menke, S.J., will be the celebrant and homilist at 8:30 and 10:30 a.m. Masses. There will not be a second collection!

With the *Connected in the Spirit* strategic planning process, the Archdiocese is trying to realistically plan for the future of the Catholic Church in the Archdiocese of Indianapolis in light of fewer priests, limited resources, fewer active Catholics, and changing demographics. Last Sunday all parishioners of Little Flower, Holy Spirit, Our Lady of Lourdes, and St. Bernadette were invited to attend a meeting at Holy Spirit to hear the proposal that our cohort is making to the Archdiocese.

The meeting went very well. Msgr. Paul Koetter and Mark Erdosy made presentations. After their presentations, many questions were asked. To check out our proposal, please study the insert in the bulletin. I believe that our proposal is very creative. If the Archdiocese accepts the proposal, I think all four parishes will continue to thrive.

Last week, I mentioned that the entire Little Flower Catholic School community went to the YMCA for swimming on Thursday, August 29. What I did not have an opportunity to mention was some of the feedback we received. For example, a YMCA member commented on how thrilled he was to see our children there and would recommend the Y continue to invite us. Two of the lifeguards at the Y commented that the day was crazy, but our children were the nicest children with whom they had ever dealt. This gives us one more reason to be proud of our school.

For some of the children, it was a learning experience. For example, one younger student had clearly not been in water and was very scared to even walk down the steps. However, by the end of the day, he found Kevin Gawrys in the middle of the pool to show him how far he had come. When the day was over, students, parents, and teachers all agreed (how often does that happen?) that it was a great day and a real community builder.

Have a wonderful week!

fr. bob

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

**The Ladies Club will be at the doors of the Church after all
Masses this weekend collecting money for Novena Flowers.**

**Masses of the Week****FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 16- 22, 2013**

- 16 September Monday**
7:00 a.m. Communion Service
5:30 p.m. Alvina Wurz by Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Bohman
- 17 September Tuesday**
8:30 a.m. Communion Service
5:30 p.m. Catherine Quill by Joe and Maureen Misbach
- 18 September Wednesday**
8:30 a.m. Maydelynn Miller by Michael and Mary Anne Morrissey
5:30 p.m. Communion Service
- 19 September Thursday**
8:30 a.m. Communion Service
1:30 p.m. Greentree-Bryce Baldwin
5:30 p.m. Little Flower Novena and Communion Service
- 20 September Friday**
8:30 a.m. Walter and Anna Bordenbecher
5:30 p.m. Little Flower Novena and Communion Service
- 21 September Saturday**
8:30 a.m. Communion Service
5:00 p.m. **Vigil of the 25th** Sunday in Ordinary Time
Charles and Mary O'Hara by Jim O'Hara
- 22 September Sunday – The 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
8:30 a.m. June Harris by the Ladies Club
10:30 a.m. Patricia and Joseph Striby by Jean Magnant
6:00 p.m. For the Parish

**Dates to Remember****September 15-22, 2013**

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP
Sunday	Blood Pressure Checks after all Masses		
	Novena Flower Collection after all Masses		
	Church	8:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy
	School	9:30 a.m.	Religious Education
	Duffy Hall	9:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts
Monday	St. Therese	6:00 p.m.	Prayer Group
Tuesday	Holy Spirit	11:30 a.m.	Senior Lunch
	School Cafeteria/Social Hall	7:00 p.m.	RCIA
	St. Therese	7:00 p.m.	Neighborhood Association
	Church	7:00 p.m.	Choir
Wednesday	St. Patrick	9:30 a.m.	Bible Study
	St. Patrick	6:00 p.m.	Finance Council
	Scout Room	6:15 p.m.	Brownies #2443
	Social Hall	6:30 p.m.	Girl Scout Registration
Thursday	St. Therese Novena Begins		
	St. Patrick	6:30 p.m.	Bible Study
	St. Therese	8:00 p.m.	AA
Friday	St. Therese	10:00 a.m.	Little Petals Play Group
	Social Hall	7:30 p.m.	Men's Christ Renews His Parish
Saturday	St. Therese	7:00 a.m.	Men's Prayer Group
	Social Hall	All day	Men's Christ Renews His Parish
	New Parishioner Registration after all Masses		
Sunday	Social Hall	All day	Men's Christ Renews His Parish
	Parish Center	9:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts
	School	9:30 a.m.	Religious Ed
	SS Peter & Paul Cathedral	2:30 p.m.	Golden Jubilee Mass
	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation Meeting

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:

Mary McGuire

1123 N Edmondson, Indianapolis, IN 46219



CYO Basketball sign-ups for girls in grades 4th - 8th are Wednesday, September 18, from 6:30-7:30 p.m., in the gym. The fee to play is \$55.00, please make checks out to LFAC. CYO Sports are open to all children in our parish. If you have any questions, please contact Sarah Stevenson, Girls AD at, sjstevenson@prodigy.net or 317-946-3194.

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

Weekly Budget Goal	\$	13,500.00
Collection of Sept 7 th and 8 th	\$	12,185.28
Electronic Contributions 9/2- 9/6	\$	5,846.50
Fiscal Year-To-Date Actual	\$	143,013.60
Fiscal Year-To-Date Budget	\$	148,500.00
Fiscal Year-To-Date Deficit	\$	- 5,486.40

Home Improvement Fund

May Contributions	\$	1,955.75
June Contributions	\$	1,894.75
July Contributions	\$	1,797.70
August Contributions	\$	1,941.25
September Contributions (to date)	\$	1,398.75

YOUTH NEWS - grades 8 thru 12

YOUTH CHOIR will NOT practice on Sunday, September 15. We will sing at 6 p.m. Mass on September 22 and October 6, meeting in church at 5 p.m.



Saturday, September 28 – Annual Parish Feast Day and Appreciation Dinner. All are invited. More details will be on the insert in next weekend's bulletin. We will also recognize all of our stewards for the month from the past year! **Please plan now to attend. Please call the parish center at 357-8352 to RSVP**

Saturday, November 2 - we will host the annual Little Flower School All-Class Reunion. Reserve this date and please pass the word to Little Flower School Alumni! Details to follow!

The fourth **East Deanery Senior Health Lunch Series** will be on **Tuesday, September 24, at Little Flower**. It will begin with lunch at 11:30 a.m. The topic is "**Cooking for One**". 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.

CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH

We are now finalizing registrations. Spaces are still available for:

MEN'S WEEKEND: SEPTEMBER 20-22

Don't miss out on this renewal weekend.

It is an excellent opportunity to meet new people and make new friends in a spiritual environment.

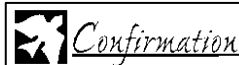
For additional information please contact:

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Joanne Mages Cell: 317-313-1971/joannemages@hotmail.com

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE PRESENTERS AND ATTENDEES OF
OUR CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH MEN'S WEEKEND.**

The fall campaign of 40 Days for Life begins on Sept. 25 with a kickoff at Planned Parenthood at 5 p.m. The campaign ends on Nov. 3. This is a peaceful, prayerful, presence to end abortion. For more information please call Anita Moody at 918-0997 or visit www.40daysforlife.com/indianapolis website.



On **Sunday, September 22**, there will be a meeting for all young adults **and their parents** who might be interested in

preparing for the sacrament of Confirmation this year. Confirmation preparation is open to all youth in grades 9 thru 12. The meeting will take place in the parish center and will begin at 7:00 p.m. (immediately after the 6 p.m. Mass). Attendance at this meeting is essential for anyone who wants to prepare for Confirmation in the spring of 2013. Please call Tom at the parish center if you have questions.

We are also looking for confirmed high school youth interested in helping on the confirmation team. Please call Tom if you are interested.



Religious Education classes for children who are in kindergarten through eighth grade and who attend public school begins **Sunday, September 15, from 9:30 a.m. to 10:25 a.m. (Today)** you may still register your child and start next week. If you have any questions, or to register, please contact Lisa at 357-8352, ext. 33 or email lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org.

**Athletics and Enrollment Management Assistant
Seccina Memorial High School**

Seccina Memorial High School, a co-ed Catholic high school located in Indianapolis, IN seeks a full-time Athletics and Enrollment Management Assistant. Responsibilities would include implementation of departmental processes and procedures in a timely and accurate manner. This position will assist both departments equally. Please forward cover letter with resume and two references to Beth Leszczynski by September 18. Please send by email to bleszczynski@seccina.org or by mail to 5000 Nowland Avenue, Indianapolis, IN 46201.

HELP NEEDED

We are in need of snacks and meals for the upcoming Christ Renews His Parish Retreats. The men's weekend is September 20-22 and the women's weekend is October 4-6. If you are interested in helping with a meal please contact Peggy Clegg at pclegg@littleflowerparish.org or 357-8352. If you would like to donate snacks such as candy, chips, or homemade goodies (these are always the favorites) for either weekend, you may use the sign up sheets at the doors of church or you may also contact Peggy. **All donations may be brought to the Parish Center anytime between 9 a.m.-3 p.m. on Wednesday, Thursday, or Friday the week of the retreat.** Please also pray for all those that will be attending the retreat on these weekends and for those hosting the retreat. THANKS!!



Little Flower Catholic Church welcomes Coming of Age-Flu Central for our annual flu shot clinic on

Wednesday, October 2, from 3:30-5:00 p.m., in the Parish Center. Flu shots are \$25.00 and pneumonia shots are \$75.00. It is highly recommended that all individuals

take the flu shot annually. A pneumonia shot is recommended for those who have frequent upper respiratory infections, diabetes, chronic medical conditions or are over the age of 65. The "average" individual should only receive 2 pneumonia shots in their lifetime. Coming of Age- Flu Central administers shots to anyone over the age of 4. Children under the age of 18 will require the presence and/or written consent of a parent/legal guardian. Save time and log onto www.flu-central.com to print out a consent form and bring it with you! **COMING OF AGE - FLU CENTRAL ACCEPTS PAYMENT BY:**

- **Medicare Part B (without a PPO or HMO)** Individuals must present their appropriate card to receive the flu shot.
- **CASH or CHECK**



Little Flower's fall blood drive is coming up soon! Please help give the gift of life and sign up to donate blood October 2, from 3-7 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Please contact Dana Cavoie at 357-5620 or by email, danacavoie@icloud.com. You may also sign up by visiting the Indiana Blood Center's website at indianablood.org. Thank you for giving the gift of life!

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