



ST. THERESE - LITTLE FLOWER

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

4720 E. 13th Street Indianapolis, Indiana 46201

www.littleflowerparish.org



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
Secretary Available 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM
PARISH CENTER 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.

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PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

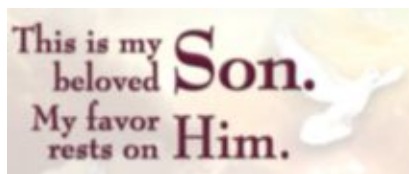
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At-Large Member	Mike Perron

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.

BAPTISM OF THE LORD

**Dear Parish Family,**

Today we celebrate the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. Today concludes the liturgical season of Christmas.

At the 8:30 a.m. Mass this Sunday, with our 2nd graders, we are celebrating the Rite of Enrollment for those who will be preparing for First Communion this year. We want to support them on this important part of their faith journey by praying for them and by deepening our own appreciation of the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist and our appreciation of the importance of Sunday Eucharist.

Today we begin the CALLED BY NAME program. The CALLED BY NAME Program is designed to enable parish communities throughout the Archdiocese to recommend individuals whom they feel possess the qualities for service in the Church as priests, brothers or sisters. God calls each of us by name and makes us his own. This call is deeply personal, a wonderful affirmation by God addressed to each person, but it also often comes to us through the tangible and concrete invitation issued to us by other people. Please see the more detailed bulletin announcement elsewhere in the bulletin.

I hope everyone remained warm and safe in the midst of the cold and snow. Last weekend was certainly interesting. The Saturday 5 p.m. Mass was a pleasant surprise. I was not sure whether we would have larger attendance because of the impending snow or smaller attendance because of the Colts game. We had larger attendance! Also, notwithstanding Sunday's snow, attendance at our morning Masses was not all that bad. Last Sunday's 6 p.m. Mass was the smallest scheduled Sunday Mass I have ever celebrated. There were only thirteen of us. As bad as it was outside, I was surprised that there were thirteen.

Although I hope we do not have any more weekends like last weekend, please know that if weather makes it too dangerous for you to attend Sunday Mass, you are excused from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass. This would apply especially to people who live a great distance from Church, the elderly, and those whose health could be negatively affected.

Have a wonderful week.

fr. bob



A special thank you to Steve Borden who has been helping with removing snow from many of the sidewalks on our campus!

**The parish office will be closed on
Monday, January 20, 2014, in recognition of Martin
Luther King Day.**

Liturgy Intentions For The Week

FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 13-19, 2014

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| 13 | January | Monday |
| | 7:00 a.m. | Communion Service |
| | 5:30 p.m. | Kyle J. Forestal by Family and Friends |
| 14 | January | Tuesday |
| | 8:30 a.m. | Communion Service |
| | 5:30 p.m. | Alvina Wurz by Gene and Debbie Bentley |
| 15 | January | Wednesday |
| | 7:00 a.m. | Communion Service |
| | 5:30 p.m. | Joseph T. Chu |
| 16 | January | Thursday |
| | 8:30 a.m. | Communion Service |
| | 1:30 p.m. | Greetree-Art Meier |
| | 5:30 p.m. | Communion Service |
| 17 | January | Friday |
| | 8:30 a.m. | Walter and Anna Bordenkecher |
| | 5:30 p.m. | Communion Service |
| 18 | January | Saturday |
| | 8:30 a.m. | Communion Service |
| | 5:00 p.m. | Vigil of the 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Judy Tiger by David and Joyce Johnson |
| 19 | January | Sunday – The 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time |
| | 8:30 a.m. | Ronald Faust by Lisa Britton |
| | 10:30 a.m. | Charley Murphy by the Murphy Family |
| | 6:00 p.m. | For the People |

The Week Ahead

January 12-19, 2014

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP
Sunday	Blood Pressure Check after all Masses in Gathering Area		
	Duffey Hall	8:00 a.m.	PTO Pancake Breakfast
	Church	8:30 a.m.	Rite of Enrollment for 2nd Grade First Communicants
	Church	8:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy
	School	9:30 a.m.	Religious Ed
	Parish Center	7:15 p.m.	Confirmation
Monday	St. Therese	6:00 p.m.	Prayer Group
	Scout Room	6:00 p.m.	Brownies #2441
	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	Baptism Class
	Our Lady Of Lourdes	7:00 p.m.	Mass Transit System Meeting
Tuesday	Duffey Hall/Cafe	7:00 p.m.	RCIA
	Church	7:00 p.m.	Choir
	St. Patrick	7:30 p.m.	Men's CRHP Team
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
	Holy Family	6:30 p.m.	Girl Scouts #2900
	St. Therese	7:00 p.m.	School Commission
	Gym	7:30 p.m.	Men's Basketball
Thursday	Scout Room	6:00 p.m.	Tiger/Wolf Scouts
	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
	Scout Room	3:00 p.m.	Daisy's #799
Saturday	St. Therese	7:00 a.m.	Men's Group
	New Parishioner Registration after all Masses		
Sunday	Church	8:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy
	School	9:30 a.m.	Religious Ed
	Duffey Hall	9:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts

TAKE NOTE:

The next issue of the parish newsletter, "The Little Flower Garden," will be distributed in mid-February. Any news or photos you have to share about Little Flower parishioners, ministries, and activities should be sent to the parish office (or dropped in the offering basket) by Tuesday, January 22. You may also e-mail items to lfp parishnews@yahoo.com or follow the link available on our website. Please include any questions about our church or parish you might like Father Bob to answer in the newsletter!



information.

SAVE THE DATE: The 8th grade class will once again host a "Senior Prom" for all our "young at heart" parishioners. The date is **Saturday, February 8, following the 5 p.m. Mass.** Please mark your calendar and plan on attending. Watch the bulletin for more

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

Weekly Budget Goal	\$	13,500.00
Collection of December 28th and 29th	\$	15,880.47
Electronic Contributions 12/23 - 12/27	\$	914.00
Collection of January 4th and 5th	Check back next week	
Electronic Contributions 12/30 - 1/3	Check back next week	
Fiscal Year-To-Date Actual	\$	356,731.18
Fiscal Year-To-Date Budget	\$	364,500.00
Fiscal Year-To-Date Deficit	\$	-7,768.82

Home Improvement Fund

October Contributions	\$	2,213.85
November Contributions	\$	2,023.75
December Contributions	\$	1,751.25

STEWARD OF THE MONTH

Nomination Forms for our Steward of the Month award are in the main gathering area. This award recognizes outstanding examples of Stewardship of time and talent. Please take a few minutes to nominate outstanding volunteers for their efforts for our parish.



The next meeting for candidates and team will be Sunday, January 12, 2014, in the parish center from 7:15 pm until 9:00 pm.

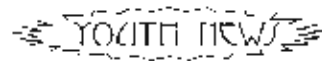
February 28-March 2, 2014

Retrouvaille Weekend: A Lifeline for Marriages

Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) is a French word meaning *rediscovery*. This program offers tools needed to rediscover a loving marriage relationship. Thousands of couples headed for cold, unloving relationships, or divorce have successfully overcome their marriage problems by attending the program. Fatima Retreat House hosts two Retrouvaille weekends each year (February and August). This program is sponsored by the Archdiocesan Office of Family Ministries in conjunction with Retrouvaille Indianapolis. Read more about the weekend as well as find out how to register by visiting their website at www.retroindy.com or by calling (317) 489-6811.

PARKING IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD

Some of our neighbors have raised some concerns about parking in the neighborhood during church and school functions. These concerns involve parking in people's yards (on the numbered streets where there are not barriers between the street and the yards) and parking too close to the intersections (causing lack of visibility and increasing the chances of an accident). **We would ask that you help us be a good neighbor by parking in our parking lot whenever possible.** If it is not possible to use our lot, please do not park on people's yards or so close to the intersection that you prevent other drivers from being able to see at the intersections. Thank you for your cooperation.



(grades 8 thru 12)

YOUTH CHOIR will practice next Sunday, January 19, in church from 7:00 p.m. until 8:15 p.m. New members are always welcome!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS – Snow tubing trip to Perfect North – Friday evening, February 28. Details will follow.

Annual financial statements will be prepared and mailed no later than January 24. Statements for Legacy for our Mission contributions and Christ our Hope contributions will be mailed by the Archdiocese.



The next Baptism Preparation Class is Monday, January 13, 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 sometime in April.











MASS TRANSIT SYSTEM MEETING

January 13, 2014

7 p.m. at Our Lady of Lourdes

A proposed plan for building a more modern Mass Transit system is working its way through the state and local legislatures. This plan, if implemented, will have significant impact to the eastside community and Washington St. It will offer a better alternative for transportation in our city, but on a moral footing, a good bus system is crucial for people who cannot afford a car to get to work and to other basic life services. Therefore, the Emerson Catholic Alliance, an association of St. Bernadette, Little Flower, and Our Lady of Lourdes, is hosting Jeff Jackson, director of CIRT, to come and speak about the proposed plan on Monday, Jan. 13th, 7 pm at Our Lady of Lourdes. We will meet in the Parish Center. We encourage anyone interested to please come.

Little Flower Parish is participating in the Archdiocesan CALLED BY NAME, a program of vocation awareness that begins this weekend. This program offers an opportunity for us to pray for vocations; to recognize gifts and potential for leadership and service in members of our parish; and finally, to call forth and encourage these members to share their gifts in priesthood and consecrated life. Perhaps you know a single man or woman (fourteen years or older) who would, in your opinion, have the qualities to become a priest, sister, or brother. Please recommend this person by filling out a paper nomination form and placing it in the collection basket available here in the parish or submit online at HearGodsCall.com.

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