

ST. THERESE - LITTLE FLOWER

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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,

Teresa Eckrich sends this report:

Dear Parish Family,

First I stand with Mark Twain: "Rumors of my demise are highly exaggerated." Not dying yet!

I think reports of a very difficult infection last weekend may have started this ball (the rumors) rolling. We have the infection under control. My doctors are still discussing when I might return to school and church with their blessing. I'm still trying to figure how to "sneak out" because you all know where I want to be right now. All of the really bad complications are man-made - not God-made - and not really cancer related. I didn't know about the bracelets until after the fact, but I can tell you that this morning when I got up I felt noticeably better. When all the prayer messages came through on Facebook etc., it made sense to me that the prayers were flowing like a raging river. I always say, "I will take the meds and do what they say, but in the end when I am alive and well, you will see in person the miracle that prayer can bring to all of us lucky enough to receive prayers from others." So I say, not dying yet! Seem to be on the mend in a big way, and keep on sending the prayers - they are working. Hope to see everyone soon. Keep the Flower strong while I am recouping.

With love from Teresa

Last weekend was the second Christ Renews His Parish men's weekend at Little Flower. First, thanks to the outside team who led the weekend: Steve Clegg, Kevin Corcoran, Rick Fisher, Kurtis Hunt, Dan Jonas, Bob Lawless, Jeff Lyons, Dan Mages, John Marron, Jeremy Rochford, Scott Sidor, and Drew Torzewski.

Thanks to the men of the parish who attended: Tom Bullock, Larry Cahill, Paul Clegg, Brent Eskew, Ron Hollada, Dave Hughey, Jeremiah Jett, Mike Kanney, Judson Kring, Frank Mackell, Mike Perron, Brad Ringer, Kurt Schnell, Bernie Sponsel, and Jim Stevenson. They will become the leadership team for next year's Christ Renews His Parish men's weekend at Little Flower.

I truly believe that the men who made the Christ Renews His Parish weekend last year have made a real difference in our parish. Evidence of this the larger number of men who made the weekend this year. I hope that these two groups of men will continue to renew our parish.

Days 7 and 8 of the Little Flower Novena are this Monday and Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. The Novena will include a Communion Service. This Wednesday, October 1, is the Feast Day of St. Therese. Although we are celebrating the feast as a parish at all the Masses this weekend, there will be an All-School Mass on Wednesday at 8:30 a.m. Everyone is invited.

The Solemn Closing of the Little Flower Novena will be this Wednesday evening at 5:30 p.m. and will consist of the traditional procession with the relic of St. Therese, her picture, and those preparing for First Communion dropping rose petals, the Novena prayers, and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. I hope that many of you will make a special effort to attend.

Friday, October 3, is the Feast of St. Mother Theodore Guerin, foundress of the Sisters of Providence in Terre Haute, the principal patroness of the Archdiocese of Indianapolis. This Saturday, October 4, is the Memorial of St. Francis of Assisi. Please remember to pray in thanksgiving for all the Franciscan Sisters from Oldenburg who served at Little Flower.

Have a wonderful week.

fr. bob

**CELEBRATING
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FOR THE WEEK OF September 29-October 5, 2014

29 September	Monday
7:00 a.m.	Communion Service
5:30 p.m.	Little Flower Novena and Communion Service
30 September	Tuesday
8:30 a.m.	Charlie Spalding by Kathy Godbey
5:30 p.m.	Little Flower Novena and Communion Service
01 October	Wednesday – Feast of St. Therese
8:30 a.m.	Laverne Mercurio by Mildred Weimer and Family
5:30 p.m.	Solemn Closing of the Little Flower Novena and Benediction
02 October	Thursday
8:30 a.m.	Communion Service
5:30 p.m.	John Naughton by the Naughton Family
03 October	Friday
8:30 a.m.	Bob Cronin by Scott and Mary Curren
5:30 p.m.	Communion Service
04 October	Saturday
8:30 a.m.	Communion Service
5:00 p.m.	Vigil of the 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time Virginia Davis by Jim and Loretta Miller
05 October	Sunday – The 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:30 a.m.	Pat Withem by St. Vincent de Paul Members
10:30 a.m.	David Thomas and Julianne Jane Kring by the Kring Family
6:00 p.m.	For the People

The Week Ahead

September 28-October 5, 2014

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP
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
	Duffey Hall	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation Meeting
Monday	St. Therese	3:30 p.m.	8 th Grade Study Group
	Holy Family	7:00 p.m.	Women's CRHP Team
Tuesday	St. Therese	9:30 a.m.	Legion of Mary
	St. Therese	3:30 p.m.	8 th grade Study Group
	Church	7:00 p.m.	Choir
	Parish Center	7:00 p.m.	RCIA
	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	Men's CRHP
Wednesday	St. Patrick	9:30 a.m.	Bible Study
	St. Therese	3:30 p.m.	8 th Grade Study Group
	Holy Family	4:30 p.m.	Chess Practice
	St. Therese	6:00 p.m.	PTO Meeting
	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	School Commission
Thursday	Duffey Hall	6:30 p.m.	Ladies Club Meeting
	St. Patrick	6:30 p.m.	Adult Bible Study
	St. Therese	8:00 p.m.	AA
Friday	PTO Walkathon		
	School/Duffey Hall		Women's CRHP Set-Up
Saturday	St. Therese	7:00 a.m.	Men's Prayer Group
	School/Duffey Hall	All Day	Women's CRHP Retreat
Sunday	Church	8:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy
	School/Duffey Hall	All Day	Women's CRHP Retreat
	School	9:30 a.m.	Religious Ed
	Parish Center	9:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts
	Parish Center	7:00 p.m.	Youth Group

THE FEAST OF ST. THERESE



This weekend we welcome Fr. Sean Hoppe from St. Meinrad Seminary and School of Theology. St. Meinrad has a long history of service to the Archdiocese. 115 active and retired priests, 41 permanent deacons, 20 religious, and 628 lay people are alumni. Father will be giving us more information about St. Meinrad and asking for our prayers and financial support. Sometime this week you will also receive a letter from Archabbot Justin. Please respond as generously as you can.

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:

Grace Taddeo/ Madison Manor
7465 Madison Avenue, Indianapolis, IN 46227



Sessions for the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults are available to anyone who wants to learn more about the Catholic faith. **Our 5th session will meet on Tuesday, Sept. 30, at 7 p.m. in the Parish Center.**

Our topic for the evening is: Jesus: What God Reveals in Jesus. Please join us!

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

Weekly Budget Goal	\$ 13,500.00
Collection of September 13th and 14th	\$ 7,602.95
Electronic Contributions 9/15 - 9/19	\$ 6,041.64
Fiscal Year 2014-2015 YTD Actual	\$ 157,637.46
Fiscal Year 2014-2015 YTD Budget	\$ 162,000.00
Fiscal Year 2014-2015 YTD Deficit	\$ - 4,362.54

Home Improvement Fund

June Contributions	\$ 1,809.25
July Contributions	\$ 2,236.35
August Contributions	\$ 2,085.58
September Contributions (to date)	\$ 1,909.58

Steward of the Month

We have gotten just a bit behind in recognizing our Stewards of the Month. Here are two of our latest honorees.

Paul Clegg - A parishioner for 25 years, Paul is definitely a "doer". If something needs to be done, Paul is there to lend a hand. Most recently Paul did a lot of work on the project to give the gym a facelift. He has been helping with the landscaping on the parish grounds this summer. He is a member of the facilities committee, the men's club, and the technology committee. He is also a member of the festival leadership team and works wherever needed to make sure the festival is a success.

Eileen Pfeiffer - Eileen is currently a cantor, often serving at the 6 p.m. Mass on Sundays. She also has volunteered at many other parish activities including the fish fries, festival, and decorating of the church for special seasons.

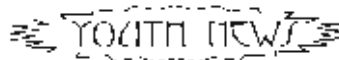
Paul and Eileen will share the "Steward of the Month" parking space until our next honoree is announced.

THANKS FOR ALL YOU DO FOR LITTLE FLOWER!

The Little Flower Class of 1963 meets the 2nd Sunday of the month at the 6 p.m. Mass. We will meet next on October 12. Please join us!

The Adventuresome Group will be meeting on Wednesday, October 8 following the 11 a.m. Mass. This month the 8th grade class will be joining us for Mass and a Halloween celebration! Please call the Parish Center, 357-8352 if you plan on attending.

The Ladies Club October Meeting is right around the corner!
Thursday, October 2, 2014 at 6:30 p.m.
Snacks and dessert to celebrate the upcoming Halloween Season! Wear your scariest face or Halloween t-shirt/sweatshirt to join in the FUN!



YOUTH CHOIR will at 6 p.m. Mass on Sunday, September 28, meeting in church at 5 p.m.

High School Emmaus Nights

Any high school-age parishioners are invited to join us for Emmaus Night on Sunday, Oct. 5, at Little Flower Parish from 6-8:30 p.m. Emmaus Nights are sponsored by Scecina Campus Ministry but **are open to all high school students** (Little Flower eighth graders are also welcome!) on the East side. We'll begin with Mass at 6 p.m. followed by dinner and activity after Mass until 8:30 p.m. in the parish center. Emmaus Nights will be offered on the 1st Sunday of each month. For more information, please contact Margaret Zeh at mzeh@scecina.org or Angie Pometto at apometto@scecina.org or 356-6377.

EDGE Night: Well of Life (for 7th and 8th graders)

Please join us on Oct. 4 for "Well of Life." Our Edge nights will focus on Prayer this year. Prayer is the beautiful opportunity for us to encounter God's thirst for us as we thirst for Him. Christ calls each of us to have a relationship with Him, which can only develop by coming frequently to Him in prayer. Come on Oct. 4 to learn more! Edge nights will be held in the cafeteria at Our Lady of Lourdes, beginning at from 6 p.m. until 8:15 p.m.



Our initial meeting for this year's Confirmation program was held on September 28. If you missed the meeting and still are interested in preparing for Confirmation, please call Tom at 357-8352 as soon as possible. Confirmation preparation is open to all youth in grades 9 thru 12.

The confirmation team (team only- NOT candidates) will meet in the Parish Center following the 6 p.m. Mass on Sunday October 12. Any confirmed high school students who are interested in helping on the confirmation team, please call Tom at 357-8352 or email tom@littleflowerparish.org.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE PRESENTERS AND ATTENDEES OF OUR CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH WOMEN'S RETREAT TAKING PLACE NEXT WEEKEND.











Coming Events...

Saturday, November 1 - 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!

Senior Lunch Bunch: Holy Spirit Church is hosting a Senior Lunch Bunch Series again. The first one will be on Wednesday, October 2 at 11:45 a.m. The topic will be **Seniors and Medication**. A pharmacist will be available for consultation, so feel free to bring your medications or a list of your medications. **You may also get a flu shot at this time.** The sessions are free, but we do need a number count for lunch. Please contact Peggy Clegg at pclegg@littleflowerparish.org or at 357-8352 if you plan on attending.



On Saturday, October 4, we will have our annual Blessing of Pets in honor of the Feast of St. Francis, patron saint of animals. We will begin at 9:00 a.m. in the main parking lot.

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