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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,

Special thanks to Catherine Diehr sharing her story and her support for our capital campaign *Together*—Plant. Grow. Bloom. at all the Masses last weekend. I think sometimes we all take our parish for granted. It is always inspiring when a new parishioner reminds us of what makes Little Flower parish and school special and, at the same time, challenges us to support the vision and mission of Little Flower.

Most of you have probably already received your pledge card for our capital campaign *Together*—Plant. Grow. Bloom. However, based on mail service, it could still arrive early this week. Over the past few weeks we have communicated a lot of information about the need for this campaign. I hope you will prayerfully consider what kind of sacrificial gift God is asking you to give to make our campaign successful. I would encourage you to pray the campaign prayer daily during this important time in our parish history.

This weekend we will begin to update our progress for you with signs here in church and in school. These signs will be updated weekly. The printed material we have used for the campaign can be found on our website at www.littleflowerparish.org. On the website you also have the opportunity to print out a pledge card, or set up a recurring donation on-line. If you still have any questions about the campaign or what we are trying to accomplish, please call Tom or me at the parish center. I hope you will return your pledge card to us by the end of the month. It can either be placed in the collection basket, mailed, or dropped off at the parish center. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Also, special thanks to our 8th Grade Class who hosted our Senior prom on Saturday, February 7. The theme was a “Night Under the Stars.” Highlights of the evening were the delicious dinner prepared by Don Nevins, the crowning of the King and Queen, dancing, and Bingo/cards. Thanks also to Theresa Slaton, our 8th Grade home room teacher, Peggy Clegg, and the parents who helped. The 8th graders were here not only on Saturday evening but also on Saturday morning to set up.

One of our Lenten highlights is our weekly Fish Fry each Friday during Lent except Good Friday. Serving begins at 4:30 p.m. and continues until 7:00 p.m. This year the Fish Fry is under new management—the Little Flower Men’s Club. Please show your support by attending and inviting family, friends, and neighbors to attend. The Fish Fry is a wonderful opportunity for parishioners, family, friends, and neighbors to socialize.

Each year the Fish Fry earns the parish approximately \$9,000. This money is included as ordinary income in our annual budget. **In the final analysis, the success of the fish fry depends on the numbers who attend.** The more people who attend each week, the more successful the fish fry will be. I am profoundly grateful to the Men’s Club for accepting responsibility for the Fish Fry and to all who will help with the Fish Fry this year.

Have a wonderful week.

fr. bob



The Little Flower Ladies Club would like to thank everyone who supported our first Chili Supper. It was a success, earning over \$800.

The desserts were delicious, the fresh fruit, generously donated by Indianapolis Fruit was crisp and sweet, the volunteers from the Ladies and Men’s Clubs were plentiful and willing, the room was decorated, the raffles were enticing, And the crowd was *amazing*! Thank you for attending and helping to make this FUNdraiser a success! Ladies: our next meeting is our annual St. Patrick’s Day celebration on March 5 at 6:30 p.m. Get involved with the LFLC. Please JOIN US!

REMINDER!

Smoking is not permitted anywhere on the Little Flower Campus.

Thanks for your cooperation!

**Masses For The Week****FOR THE WEEK OF February 16 - 22, 2015**

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| 16 February | Monday | 5:30 p.m. Art Meier |
| 17 February | Tuesday | 5:30 p.m. Mildred Maurer |
| 18 February | Ash Wednesday | 8:30 a.m. Ed Spalding by Family
6:00 p.m. John Naughton by David and Ann Ruhmkorff |
| 19 February | Thursday | 1:30 p.m. at Greentree - Martha Beidelman
5:30 p.m. Communion Service |
| 20 February | Friday | 8:30 a.m. Juanita Moloy by John and Ann Burns
5:30 p.m. Way of the Cross and Communion Service |
| 21 February | Saturday | 5:00 p.m. Vigil of the 1st Sunday of Lent
For the Intentions of Jim and Laura Hawkins on their 50 th Wedding Anniversary by the Hawkins Family |
| 22 February | Sunday – First Sunday of Lent | 8:30 a.m. Harry Hosey by the Snow Family
10:30 a.m. Mary Helen Arvin by Frank and Kathy Klinkose
6:00 p.m. For the People |

**Information about Lent from Fr. Bob****This Wednesday is Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent.**

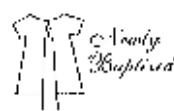
On Ash Wednesday, we will celebrate Mass and distribute ashes at 8:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Also, every Friday evening during Lent, there will be Stations of the Cross and Communion at 5:30 p.m.

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence. The other Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence. The law of abstinence requires Catholics 14 years of age and older to abstain from eating meat. The law of fasting requires Catholic from the age of eighteen until their fifty-ninth birthday to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. The Church defines fasting as one main meal a day and two smaller meals which if added together would not be larger than the main meal.

We have included as an insert in today’s bulletin the **Bona Opera or Lenten Good Works**. The insert is meant to be cut into two parts. We invite each person in your home to complete the *Bona Opera*. For households of more than two people, extra copies are available at the doors of church. Please return them either on Ash Wednesday or the First Sunday of Lent. They will be placed in the Ark of the Covenant and then burned on Holy Saturday in the new fire.

Besides ashes on Ash Wednesday, **we will be giving a small remembrance to everyone who comes to Mass on the First Sunday of Lent, February 21-22.** This year’s Lenten remembrance will be a small fish with the word Jesus on the front and John 1:14 on the back: “*The Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory.*” Please be here to get yours which will serve as a reminder of God’s infinite love for us.

Our Lenten Penance Service will be Thursday, March 5, at 7 p.m. at Our Lady of Lourdes. In addition, extra opportunities for individual confession are being made available in each of the parishes throughout the Archdiocese on both Wednesday, March 4, and Wednesday, March 18, from 6:30-8:00 pm. Also, all five Sundays of March there will a bulletin insert on the Rite of Penance.



Please welcome into our Christian community Hannah Elizabeth, daughter of Jeremy and Cassandra (Ortner) Crutchfield, baptized on Sunday, February 8, 2015.

Capital Campaign – Did you know?

Over the past two winters we have spent over \$18,000 in heating system repairs such as broken blower motors and steam leaks. Left unaddressed, these problems will only get more numerous and more expensive in the years to come.

THE SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The Week Ahead

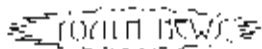
February 15 - 22, 2015

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP
Sunday	Blood Pressure Checks after all Masses in Gathering Area		
	Church	8:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy
	School	9:30 a.m.	Religious Ed
	Duffey Hall	9:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts
	Church	7:00 p.m.	Youth Choir Practice
	St. Patrick	7:15 p.m.	Women's CRHP
Monday	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	Summerfest Planning
Tuesday	St. Therese	9:30 a.m.	Legion of Mary
	Parish Center	10:00 a.m.	Mission Sewing
	St. Therese	3:30 p.m.	8 th Grade Study Group
	Holy Family	3:30 p.m.	Seccina Emmaus Club
	Holy Family	6:00 p.m.	Brownies #2441
	Scout Room	6:00 p.m.	Wolf/Bear Scouts
	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	RCIA
	Church	7:00 p.m.	Choir
Wednesday	St. Patrick	9:30 a.m.	Bible Study
	St. Therese	3:30 p.m.	8 th Grade Study Group
	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	Finance Council
Thursday	Scout Room	6:00 p.m.	Daisy # 3643
	St. Patrick	6:30 p.m.	Adult Bible Study
	St. Therese	8:00 p.m.	AA
Friday	Scout Room	3:00 p.m.	Brownies # 799
	Parish Center	4:45 p.m.	Market Day Pick-Up
	Duffey Hall	4:30 p.m.	Lenten Fish Fry
Saturday	St. Therese	7:00 a.m.	Men's Prayer Group
	Parking Lot	6:00 p.m.	Youth Group - Perfect North Snow Tubing.
	New Parishioner	Registration after all Masses in the Gathering Area	
Sunday	Church	8:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy
	Church	8:30 a.m.	RCIA Rite of Sending
	Duffey Hall	9:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts
	School	9:30 a.m.	Religious Ed
	Ss. Peter & Paul Cathedral	2:00 p.m.	RCIA Rite of Election

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:

Margaret Horning

4821 E 21st St, Indianapolis, IN 46218
Margaret will be 102 on February 20th!



(grades 8 thru 12)

YOUTH CHOIR

- Sunday, February 15** Practice in Church, 7:00 p.m. until 8:15 p.m.
New Members are always welcome!
- Sunday, February 22** Sing at 6 p.m. Mass, meeting in church at 5 p.m.
- Sunday, March 1** Sing at 6 p.m. Mass, meeting in church at 5 p.m.

ANNUAL SNOW TUBING TRIP - We will be making a trip to Perfect North Ski Slopes (about 90 minutes southeast of Indy) for snow tubing on Saturday, February 21 (weather permitting!). We will leave LF PROMPTLY at 6:00 p.m. and return slightly after midnight. Reservations by Monday, February 16 are a must so we can arrange transportation. Permission slips and fees (\$25.00) must be in by this date! Permission slips were sent home with Little Flower 8th graders on January 26 and were sent by email to some high school students. If you did not get one, they are available at the school and the parish office, or email tcostello@littleflowerparish.org and I will send one back to you. Call Tom at 357-8352 for more information! I need parents to volunteer to drive. Please call Tom if you can help. The trip will be cancelled if sufficient reservations are not received by the deadline or if sufficient parent volunteers are not available!



Candidates and team will meet next on Sunday March 8, in the Parish Center, for Session 6. The meeting will be from 7 p.m. until 9 p.m.

Just Desserts Ladies!

The Ladies Club provides the desserts each week for the fish fry, beginning this Friday, February 20! All Ladies of the Parish are members of the Ladies Club so whip up your favorite dessert to share and bring it to the school cafeteria after 3:00 p.m. on Friday. Thanks in advance, and for all of your help in years past!



OUR LENTEN JOURNEY

During Lent, we will publish the Sunday readings one week in advance, to enable you to read them prior to coming to Mass and better prepare. Also, beginning next week, we will publish a short reflection on the readings for that week.

First Sunday of Lent, February 22, 2015

First Reading: Genesis 9: 8-15

Second Reading: 1 Peter 3: 18-22

Gospel: Mark 1: 12-15

LENTEN COIN BANKS

Beginning on Ash Wednesday, Lenten coin banks have been made available (at the church doors) for your use during Lent. Please take one and fill it with your loose change as part of your Lenten sacrifice. Seventy-five percent of the monies collected will support the Gabriel Project, which assists mother who have chosen life over abortion. A small portion of this supports the work of the Respect Life Committee. Twenty-five percent will be directed toward a parish designated charity. More information on that charity will be published next week

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

Weekly Budget Goal	\$ 13,500.00
Collection of February 7 and 8	\$ 10,392.42
Electronic Contributions 2/2 - 2/6	\$ 5,922.67
Fiscal Year 2014-2015 YTD Actual	\$ 433,983.78
Fiscal Year 2014-2015 YTD Budget	\$ 432,000.00
Fiscal Year 2014-2015 YTD	\$ + 1,983.78

Home Improvement Fund

November Contributions	\$ 2,586.08
December Contributions	\$ 2,580.58
January Contributions	\$ 1,909.58
February Contributions	\$ 1,584.58

FESTIVAL NEWS

SUMMERFEST 2015 planning will begin soon. Our summer festival dates this year are May 29, May 30, and May 31. A kick off meeting will be held on Monday, February 16, at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Center for those who are willing to be part of the parish festival leadership team. Call Tom at 357-8352 with questions.

Rummage Sale donations - Last year the Rummage Sale earned over \$3,000.00 - but this is all dependent on your donations. **Plan to drop off your donations at the cafeteria entrance to the social hall (door #6) between 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. on Saturdays March 7, April 11, or May 2.** Please NO TVs, VCR's, or computers. This year we ARE accepting CHILDREN's Clothes, but no adult clothing please. Call Sharon Rocchio with questions - 525-6237.

Shop, Swipe Your Plus Card and Earn Rewards for Little Flower School!

If you have not had a chance to register for the new Community Rewards program at Kroger please do so. By linking your Kroger Plus card, and choosing to sponsor Little Flower, Kroger will send rebates to us each quarter to help with tuition assistance. Please go to www.krogercommunityrewards.com and use our organization # 10278.

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