

1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

ST. THERESE - LITTLE FLOWER ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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He
remained
in the
desert for
forty days,
tempted
by Satan.
He was
among
wild beasts,
and the
angels
ministered
to Him.

Mark 1:13



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At-Large Member	Mike Perron
At-Large Member	David Schurger
At-Large Member	Cindy Woods

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,

Many thanks to those parishioners who are serving on the Capital Campaign Leadership Team. I hope that their work will bear great fruit in the weeks to come. A special thanks to all who have already returned their pledge cards. We hope to have as many cards as possible returned by the end of February so we will know where we stand and can begin follow up.

This year's Lenten remembrance is a fish with "Jesus" on one side and John 1:14 on the other: *"The Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory."* The fish was an ancient Christian symbol for Christ. The Greek word for fish was ΙΧΘΥΣ (Ichthus). According to *Wikipedia*,

ΙΧΘΥΣ (Ichthus) is an [acronym/acrostic](#) ... for "Ιησοῦς Χριστός, Θεοῦ Υἱός, Σωτήρ", (Iēsous Christos, Theou Yios, Sōtēr), which translates into English as "Jesus Christ, Son of God, Saviour."


During Lent, our RCIA catechumens, candidates, and *confirmandi* begin their final preparation for the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist which they will receive at the Easter Vigil Liturgy. This Sunday at the 8:30 a.m. Mass we celebrate the Rite of Sending. We, as a community, send them to the Cathedral for the Rite of Election this Sunday afternoon at 2 p.m. At the Rite of Election, on the basis of the testimony of their sponsors and catechists and on the reaffirmation of the intention of the catechumens and candidates themselves, Archbishop Tobin will declare them ready to take part in the sacraments of initiation.


Last Sunday, we prayed for Fr. Noah Casey, the pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes. In August 2013, he had serious cancer surgery. His cancer has reappeared, and he will have surgery this Wednesday, February 25. Please pray for him.

Also, because of his surgery, our Lenten Penance Service in conjunction with Our Lady of Lourdes will be here on Thursday, March 5, at 7 p.m. instead of at Our Lady of Lourdes.

Have a wonderful week.

fr. bob

 **The next Baptism Preparation Class is Monday, March 2 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 May.**

 **We extend our condolences to Flynn Bates on the death of his daughter, Victoria Bates (20), who passed away on January 31 and whose memorial service was celebrated here on February 13. We also extend our prayers and condolences to the Jett family on the death of Jerry Jett (77). Jerry's wife, Jean, and son, Jeremiah are parishioners. In his younger days Jerry was an usher and a coach. He was a man of deep faith. Please keep both of these families in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. May God welcome Victoria and Jerry into his eternal glory.**

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:

Sarah Kielas

Rosewalk at Lutherwood, 1301 N Ritter Avenue, Indianapolis, IN 46219



Liturgy Intentions For The Week

FOR THE WEEK OF February 23 – March 1, 2015

23 February	Monday
5:30 p.m.	Harry Hosey by Rob and Therese Mayer
24 February	Tuesday
5:30 p.m.	Paul Harvey
25 February	Wednesday
5:30 p.m.	Norbert Mauer
26 February	Thursday
5:30 p.m.	Communion Service
27 February	Friday
8:30 a.m.	Art Meier
5:30 p.m.	Way of the Cross and Communion Service
28 February	Saturday
5:00 p.m.	Vigil of the 2nd Sunday of Lent Mary Foor by the Ladies Club
01 March	Sunday – Second Sunday of Lent
8:30 a.m.	Joann Faust by Donna Faust
10:30 a.m.	Barbara Surenkamp by Dennis and Noreen Murphy
6:00 p.m.	For the People

The Week Ahead

February 22 – March 1, 2015

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP
Sunday	New Parishioner	Registration	after all Masses in the Gathering Area
	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
Monday	Scout Room	6:00 p.m.	Webelo
	St. Therese	6:30 p.m.	Gabriel Project
	St. Patrick	6:30 p.m.	SVDP
Tuesday	St. Therese	9:30 a.m.	Legion of Mary
	St. Therese	3:30 p.m.	8 th Grade Study Group
	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
	Scout Room	6:00 p.m.	Tiger Scouts
	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	Liturgy Committee
	St. Therese	7:00 p.m.	School Subcommittee
Thursday	St. Patrick	6:30 p.m.	Adult Bible Study
	John 23 rd	7:00 p.m.	Stewardship Committee
	St. Therese	8:00 p.m.	AA
Friday	Duffey Hall	4:30 p.m.	Lenten Fish Fry
Saturday	St. Therese	7:00 a.m.	Men's Prayer 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
	St. Patrick	7:15 p.m.	Women's CRHP



Spring is coming and the Ladies Club will again be selling bedding plants. This is the Ladies Club's biggest fund raiser of the year, so please support us. There are Flower Picture Sheets available at each entrance to peruse.



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.

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

Weekly Budget Goal	\$	13,500.00
Collection of February 14 and 15	\$	6,914.49
Electronic Contributions 2/9 - 2/13	\$	1,166.00
Fiscal Year 2014-2015 YTD Actual	\$	442,064.27
Fiscal Year 2014-2015 YTD Budget	\$	445,500.00
Fiscal Year 2014-2015 YTD deficit	\$	- 3,435.73

Home Improvement Fund

November Contributions	\$	2,586.08
December Contributions	\$	2,580.58
January Contributions	\$	1,909.58
February Contributions	\$	1,719.58

FISH FRY

FRIDAYS DURING LENT

**PLEASE INVITE NEIGHBORS, FAMILY, AND FRIENDS
SERVING FROM 4:30 PM UNTIL 7:00 PM**



Just Desserts Ladies!
The Ladies Club provides the desserts each week for the fish fry, every Friday through March 27. 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

Readings for this weekend, the First Sunday of Lent

First Reading: Genesis 9: 8-15
Second Reading: 1 Peter 3: 18-22
Gospel: Mark 1: 12-15

Today's Gospel identifies a paradox in Christian living: The world *seems* to offer us everything we truly need, but those things can only be found in silence with God. There we can open ourselves to the healing only God can give. God lets us know He is a loving and forgiving God. He will not destroy us but will help us and lead us back. God keeps His promises. This week the challenge is to identify our desert spaces, make a conscious effort to go to them with God. (Source: Sourcebook, Liturgy Training Publications)

Readings for next weekend, the Second Sunday of Lent

First Reading: Genesis 12: 1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18
Second Reading: Romans 8: 31b-34
Gospel: Mark 9: 2-10

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 to the Immigrant Welcome Center, here on the near Eastside. The Immigrant Welcome Center empowers immigrants by connecting them to the people, places and resources that enable them to build successful lives and enrich our community. They will use the funds to help fund the free legal clinics they will be cosponsoring with the American Immigration Lawyers Association.

Cathedral High School Placement Test Prep Course

Current 7th graders who want to maximize their potential for success on the High School Placement Test might want to consider Cathedral's Placement Test Prep Course. For only \$75, students can take a practice placement test on a Monday, receive direct instruction from math and English teachers for three days, and take another practice test on a Friday. Choose from mornings or afternoons during one of the two weeks—June 15-19 or July 13-17. Visit www.gocathedral.com/testprep or call (317) 968-7370 to learn more!



Capital Campaign – Did you know?

We have taken on this capital campaign without utilizing any consultants. In many past campaigns, payment for consultant services had to be built into our goal. We made this decision for this campaign in an effort to make sure all of your donations go to the project at hand. Please continue to check our progress on the sign boards at church, on our Facebook page (Little Flower Catholic Church and School) and on Twitter @LFINDY. If you have not already done so, please return your pledge cards in the collection, via U.S. Mail, or to the Parish Center.



(grades 8 thru 12)

YOUTH CHOIR

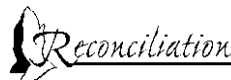
Sunday, February 22 Sing at 6 p.m. Mass, meeting in church at 5 p.m.
Sunday, March 1 Sing at 6 p.m. Mass, meeting in church at 5 p.m.

High School Emmaus Nights

Any high school-age parishioners are invited to join us for Emmaus Night on Sunday, March 1, at Little Flower Parish from 6-8:30 p.m. Emmaus Nights are sponsored by Sccecina Campus Ministry but are open to all high school students 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. 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.

Jr. High EDGE: Father Vs. Genie (grades 6, 7, and 8)

Please join us on March. 7 for "Father vs. Genie." Our Edge nights will focus on Prayer this year. This night will focus on the tough question of unanswered prayers. Why keep praying if it doesn't seem like anyone is listening? Come on March 7 to find out! Meet in the cafeteria at Our Lady of Lourdes from 6-8:15 p.m.



The Light is On for You!

The opportunity for individual confession is being made available in each of the parishes (or cluster of parishes) throughout the archdiocese on both Wednesday, March 4, and Wednesday, March 18, from 6:30-8:00 p.m. Go to this link to find several resources about confession: <http://www.archindy.org/thelightison/>. Come celebrate God's forgiveness and make a new beginning with his grace!

FESTIVAL NEWS

SUMMERFEST 2015 planning has begun!

Our summer festival dates this year are May 29, May 30, and May 31.

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.

A Moment with Max

"The more powerful and courageous a soul becomes with the help of God's grace, the greater the cross God places on its shoulders, so that it might mirror as closely as possible the image of the Crucified in its own life."
- St. Maximilian Kolbe



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