

## ST. THERESE - LITTLE FLOWER

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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 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

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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. 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

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 pariships in admitted. 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,

Today we celebrate the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. Today marks the end of the Church's liturgical season of Christmas. Jesus' baptism marked the end of his hidden life and the beginning of his public life.

At the 8:30 a.m. Mass today, we celebrate the Rite of Enrollment for First Communion with 17 second graders. This rite marks the beginning of their formal preparation to receive their First Communion. It seems to me that this is a perfect day to celebrate this rite. As we celebrate Jesus' baptism, we are reminded of our own baptism, the first sacrament of initiation. Our second graders are beginning their preparation to receive their second sacrament of initiation.

Because of the flu epidemic, I would ask that anyone who has a cold or any illness refrain from drinking from the cup at Mass. Also, please feel free not to shake hands at the sign of peace but to greet those around you in another way.

Congratulations to Bishop Coyne! As most of you know, on December 22, 2014, Pope Francis appointed him Bishop of Burlington, Vermont. Bishop Coyne, 56, originally a priest of the Archdiocese of Boston, has been an auxiliary bishop in Indianapolis since 2011 and served as the apostolic administrator in the period between Archbishop Daniel's retirement and Archbishop Tobin's appointment on October 18, 2012. For the last two years he served as vicar general, and, most recently, had special responsibilities in the New Albany, Seymour and Tell City deaneries and as administrator of Sacred Heart and St. Augustine parishes in Bishop Covne will be installed as Bishop of Burlington on Thursday, January 29. He is an excellent homilist, especially at Confirmations.

As we announced in November, we will be undertaking a capital campaign to install a new heating and air conditioning system in the school as well as to replace the school roof. The leadership team for the campaign met for the first time on Tuesday, December 30. You will be hearing much more about the campaign in the next several weeks. I am hopeful that everyone will do his or her part and that together with our school alumni we can reach our goal. We will be organizing a group to do phone calls as part of the campaign. If this is something you can help with, please let me know by calling the parish center or sending an email to tom@littleflowerparish.org.

Have a wonderful week!

fr. bob



#### **OPEN HOUSE Little Flower Catholic School**

Sunday, January 25, 2015 Refreshments: 11:30 a.m. Tours: 12:00-2:00 p.m.

Classroom Presentations: 12:30 and 1:15 p.m.

Enter door # 6 (cafeteria)

Come meet Little Flower teachers, students, and staff as you experience our academics, community, and tradition.

The parish office will be closed on Monday, January 19, in recognition of Martin Luther King Day. The parish center will be open in the evening for meetings and baptism



#### FOR THE WEEK OF January 12-18, 2015

12	January	Monday
	7:00 a.m.	Communion Service
	5:30 p.m.	Mildred Mauer
13	January	Tuesday

8:30 a.m. Communion Service

5:30 p.m. Juanita Moloy by John and Anne Burns

14 January Wednesday 8:30 a.m. Art Meier

5:30 p.m. Communion Service

15 January **Thursday** 

> 8:30 a.m. Communion Service 1:30 p.m. Greentree – Rosemary Jones

5:30 p.m. Communion Service

Friday January

8:30 a.m. Joseph Thu Chu 5:30 p.m. Communion Service

January Saturday

8:30 a.m. Communion Service

5:00 p.m. Vigil of the Second Sunday of Ordinary Time

Aggie Branson by John and Mary Ann Evans

Sunday - Second Sunday of Ordinary Time January 8:30 a.m.

For the Intentions of the Jack Gordon Family by Andrew and Mindy Gordon and Family

10:30 a.m. Harry Hosey by Anne Hall

For the People 6:00 p.m.

### The Week Ahead

January 11 - 18, 2015

DAY	ROOM TIME GROUP				
Sunday	Blood Pressure Check after all Masses in Gathering Area				
•	Church	8:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy		
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			of Enrollment		
	St. Therese	1:30 p.m.	Franciscan Associates		
	Parish Center	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation Prep		
Monday	St. Therese	3:30 p.m.	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Study Group		
	Scout Room	6:00 p.m.	Webelo Scouts		
	Duffey Hall	7:00 p.m.	Men's Group Meeting		
Tuesday	St. Therese	9:30 a.m.	Legion of Mary		
	St. Therese	3:30 p.m.	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Study Group		
	Scout Room	6:00 p.m.	Wolf/Bear Scouts		
	St. Therese	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 <sup>th</sup> Grade Study Group		
	Scout Room	6:00 p.m.	Tiger Scouts		
	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	Parish Council		
	St. Therese	7:00 p.m.	School Commission		
			Sub-Committee		
Thursday	St. Patrick	6:30 p.m.	Adult Bible Study		
	St. Therese	8:00 p.m.	AA		
Saturday	St. Therese	7:00 a.m.	Men's Prayer Group		
-	Parking Lot	8:30 a.m.	Men's Clean-Up Day		
	Duffey Hall	7:00 p.m.	Middle School Dance		
	New Parishioner	r 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		
	Church	7:00 p.m.	Youth Choir Practice		
	Holy Family	7:00 p.m.	Men's CRHP		
	St. Patrick	7:15 p.m.	Women's CRHP		

#### THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD



We extend our condolences to *Kerri (Jill)* Leffler, Zeke, & Max Leffler and their families on the death of their father, **David Leffler**. Please keep all of David's family and friends

in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. May God welcome David into his eternal glory.



(grades 8 thru 12)

#### YOUTH CHOIR

Sunday, January 18:

Practice in church from 7:00 p.m. until 8:15 p.m. New members are welcome!

#### Jr. High Youth Rally: The Great Adventure

All parishioners in grades 6-8 are invited to a Jr. High Youth Rally held at Roncalli High School on Saturday, Jan. 31. There will be two keynote speakers, creative sessions on everything from sports to music and friendship, Mass, dinner, and a rocking concert! We will be going with others from the East Deanery, and we'll meet at Our Lady of Lourdes parking lot at 12:30 p.m. and return by 8:45 p.m. Cost is \$30.

Deadline to register is Wednesday, Jan. 14. To register, go to https://thegreatadventure.eventbrite.com and select the group "East Deanery." Select the free option and turn your payment in at the next Edge event (checks made out to "Our Lady of Lourdes"). For more information, please contact Miss Pometto at 356-7291 or apometto@ollindy.org.



Candidates and team will meet on Sunday, January 11 in the Parish Center for Session 4. The meeting will be from 7 p.m. until 9 p.m.

### 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 Thursday, January 22. You may also e-mail items to Ifparishnews@yahoo.com or follow the link available on our website.

Annual financial statements will be prepared and mailed <u>no</u> <u>later than</u> January 26. Statements for Christ our Hope United Catholic Appeal will be mailed by the Archdiocese.

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:

Anna Werner

Greentree at Post 8800 Spoon Drive, Indianapolis, IN 46219



The next Baptism Preparation Class is Monday, January 19, 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.



Anyone interested in coaching girls volleyball, please contact Sarah Stevenson at <u>317-946-3194</u> or sjstevenson@prodigy.net.

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

Weekly Budget Goal	\$	13,500.00
Collection of December 27 and 28	\$	9,637.18
Electronic Contributions 12/22-12/26	\$	2,051.00
Collection of January 3 and 4		check back next week
Electronic Contributions 12/29 – 1/2		check back next week
Fiscal Year 2014-2015 YTD Actual as of 12/2	9 \$	351,209.74
Fiscal Year 2014-2015 YTD Budget as of 12/2	9 \$	351,000.00
Fiscal Year 2014-2015 YTD Surplus	\$	+209.74

#### Home Improvement Fund

October Contributions	\$ 2,152.58
November Contributions	\$ 2,586.08
December Contributions (as of 12/22)	\$ 2,580.58

Thank you for your continued donations to the Home Improvement Fund. As you have probably noticed, all of the light bulbs in the church have been replaced with new LED lights. These lights, although more expensive, should last about four times longer and are less expensive to operate. To simply rent the lift needed to change the bulbs costs \$800.00. The home improvement fund was used to cover that and the cost of all the new bulbs without impacting the operating budget. Thank you.

#### UNITED CATHOLIC APPEAL UPDATE

Parish Goal \$39,250 Amount Pledged \$35,440 % of Goal-90% Parish Households 936 # of pledges 169 Parish Participation 18%

There are extra United Catholic Appeal Mailers at the Church doors. If you have not yet made a commitment, you may fill out and return in our collection or return it by the mail in the mailer provided.

Are you pregnant, in your first trimester and interested in a free ultrasound? The Gabriel Project is looking for models to help our nurse maintain and refine their ultrasound skills. Morning and evening times are available. If you would like to help please call Linda Kile at 317-213-4778.

#### \_\_JUST TO LET YOU KNOW\_

"Uncharted," a documentary about homeless issues in Indianapolis, will be shown on Wednesday, January 21 at 6:30 p.m. in the Emmaus Center of St. Monica Catholic Church at 6131 N Michigan Rd, Indianapolis, IN 46228. The movie takes 98 minutes, and following the film, there will be a time for discussion about this important and timely topic in Indianapolis. Indianapolis City Councillor Leroy Robinson, sponsor of Proposition 291, which would provide protections for the homeless, and Don Sawyer, one of the film's creators, will be present. Proposition 291 will be discussed at the January 27 meeting of the City Council. That meeting begins at 5:30 pm. You are encouraged to attend and to invite others. To learn more about the film, go to this link: <a href="http://www.nuvo.net/indianapolis/uncharted-a-new-doc-on-homelessness-in-indy/Content?oid=2909639">http://www.nuvo.net/indianapolis/uncharted-a-new-doc-on-homelessness-in-indy/Content?oid=2909639</a>

#### "Jesus said to her: 'Give me to drink'" (John 4:7)

Archbishop Tobin and the Office of Ecumenism invite all Catholics of the Archdiocese to the Second Annual Prayer Service for Christian Unity at SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral, 1347 N. Meridian Street, on Sunday January 25, 2015, at 4:00 p.m. This service will conclude the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, bringing together in prayer both leaders and members of many Christian denominations. Archbishop Tobin will be principal presider, and Bishop Catherine "Cate" Waynick of the Episcopal Diocese of Indianapolis will be the homilist. Parking will be available at the Catholic Center (1400 N. Meridian Street) as well as curbside.

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