

2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

ST. THERESE - LITTLE FLOWER ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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*"This
is my
beloved
Son.
Listen
to Him."
Mark 9:7*



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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
	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 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,

On Ash Wednesday, we heard Paul's words to the Corinthians: "*We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God.*" Especially during Advent and Lent, the Church invites us to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

This Wednesday, March 4, we will participate in *The Light Is on for You*. From 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. on March 4 & 18, priests will be available in churches throughout the Archdiocese to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation with anyone who comes and wishes to experience God's mercy and forgiveness. On these evenings during these times, you can receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation at almost every parish in the Archdiocese.

Our Lenten Penance Service in conjunction with Our Lady of Lourdes will be this Thursday, March 5, at 7:00 p.m. Several priests will be available to help with confessions. Because we hosted our joint Advent Penance Service, this Penance Service would normally have been at Our Lady of Lourdes. However, because of Fr. Noah's illness, we offered to host it again.

As you know, Teresa Eckrich retired as Little Flower School's music teacher in January after 30 years of service. She will retire as parish music director on June 30 after 35 years of service. Therefore, on Sunday, March 15, we have a retirement reception for her from 11:30 a.m. until 2 p.m. Please note details on the flyer in today's bulletin.

Again, thank you to everyone who has turned in pledges or contributions to the capital campaign. As I mentioned last Sunday, we would like to complete the project this summer. For this to even be possible, we have to meet our goal in a very short time.

One of the reasons why we need to replace our heating system is because of steam leaks. Tom recently reported that we spent a total of approximately \$18,000 on steam leaks and broken heating units the last two years. Just last week, I signed a check for two steam leaks, one from December and one from February, totaling \$1,182.74.

Therefore, I am asking two things from those who have not yet pledged or contributed. Please consider a two-year pledge rather than a one-time gift. Second, please return your pledges or contributions as soon as possible.

Have a wonderful week.

fr. bob

**a BIG
THANKS**

Many thanks for all the cards and good wishes for both health and birthday. The support of the Little Flower family means so much and is helping me keep spirits up. I

had a report on blood markers last week which showed that the chemo is working. Keep the prayers coming. I'm taking the chemicals, but in the final analysis it is the prayers that make the difference. Sincerely, Teresa Eckrich

**Newly Baptized**

† Please welcome into our Christian community Noah

Samuel, son of Joshua and Alyson (Nixon) Richardson, who was baptized on Sunday, February 22, 2015.

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:

Marcella Bauman

Rosewalk Village, 1302 N Lesley Avenue, Indianapolis, IN 46219

TAKE NOTE:

Ladies Club - Meeting date change due to Penance Service

Little Flower will be hosting the Thursday, March 5, 2015, Penance Service originally scheduled to be held at Our Lady of Lourdes. **The Ladies Club St. Patrick's Day pitch-in dinner and meeting will be held on the 2nd Thursday of the month, March 12 at 6:30 p.m.** Please join us and wear your Irish green!!!

**Masses of the Week**

FOR THE WEEK OF March 1 - 8, 2015

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| 02 | March | Monday |
| | 5:30 p.m. | Elizabeth and Anthony Mauer |
| 03 | March | Tuesday |
| | 8:30 a.m. | Mark Lozano |
| | 5:30 p.m. | Communion Service |
| 04 | March | Wednesday |
| | 5:30 p.m. | Harry Hosey by YCA Alumni |
| 05 | March | Thursday |
| | 5:30 p.m. | Communion Service |
| 06 | March | Friday |
| | 8:30 a.m. | Jerry Jett by Michelle Maio-Venezia |
| | 5:30 p.m. | Way of the Cross and Communion Service |
| 07 | March | Saturday |
| | 5:00 p.m. | Vigil of the 3rd Sunday of Lent |
| | | Mary and Charles O'Hara by James T. O'Hara |
| 08 | March | Sunday - Third Sunday of Lent |
| | 8:30 a.m. | For the People |
| | 10:30 a.m. | Barbara Surenkamp by the Ladies Club |
| | 6:00 p.m. | Ed and Helen Fillenwarth by the Family |

The Week Ahead

March 1 - 8, 2015

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
	St. Patrick	7:15 p.m.	Women's CRHP
Monday	Scout Room	6:30 p.m.	Girl Scouts # 2443
	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	Baptism Class
Tuesday	St. Therese	9:30 a.m.	Legion of Mary
	St. Therese	3:30 p.m.	8 th Grade Study Group
	Scout Room	6:00 p.m.	Brownies #2441
	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	RCIA
	Church	7:00 p.m.	Choir
	Gym	7:30 p.m.	Little Flower Athletic Commission
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.	Cub Scout Pack Meeting
	St. Therese	6:00 p.m.	PTO Meeting
	Church	6:30 p.m.	The Light Is On For You
	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	School Commission
Thursday	Church	7:00 p.m.	Lenten Penance Service
	St. Therese	8:00 p.m.	AA
Friday	Scout Room	3:00 p.m.	Brownies #799
	Duffey Hall	4:30 p.m.	Lenten Fish Fry
Saturday	St. Therese	7:00 a.m.	Men's Prayer Group
	Café Door	9:00 a.m.	Rummage Sale Drop-off
	Church	5:00 p.m.	RCIA-First Scrutiny
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
	Parish Center	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation Prep
	Holy Family	7:00 p.m.	Men's CRHP

FISH FRY

FRIDAYS DURING LENT

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

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT



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.



First Communion Retreat
A retreat is being planned for children and their parents in our parish who will celebrate First Eucharist on April 26, 2015. Through storytelling, making a Blessing Cup, and interactive experiences, parents and children will explore themes central to our understanding of the Eucharist. **This retreat will take place on Saturday, March 14, from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., in Duffey Hall (school cafe).**



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.

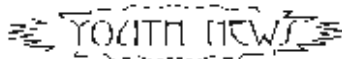
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Weekly Budget Goal	\$	13,500.00
Collection of February 21 and 22	\$	7,199.56
Electronic Contributions 2/16 - 2/20	\$	6,444.64
Fiscal Year 2014-2015 YTD Actual	\$	455,708.47
Fiscal Year 2014-2015 YTD Budget	\$	459,000.00
Fiscal Year 2014-2015 YTD deficit	\$	- 3,291.53

Home Improvement Fund

November Contributions	\$	2,586.08
December Contributions	\$	2,580.58
January Contributions	\$	1,909.58
February Contributions	\$	2,079.58

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!



(grades 8 thru 12)

YOUTH CHOIR

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 Scecina 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.



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.

OUR LENTEN JOURNEY

Readings for this 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

Abraham was confronted with a paradox. God promised him a son then asked for the sacrifice of that same son. The Israelites banned the practice of human sacrifice, even though it was a fairly common practice at the time. Abraham had to be willing to give his son back to God in order to keep him. What am I holding onto as tightly as Abraham held Isaac? How can I offer it back to God?

The apostles faced a paradox with Jesus at the top of the mountain—both God and Man at the same time. Jesus charged them to keep what they had seen to themselves. He asks us to go out and spread the Good News. One way to do this is through works of kindness to the poor. How will I share the good news of our salvation this coming week? (Source: Sourcebook, Liturgy Training Publications)

Readings for next weekend, the Third Sunday of Lent

Exodus 20: 1-17

1 Corinthians 1: 22-25

John 2: 13-25



Capital Campaign – Did you know?

We applied for and have received a grant from the Archdiocese for \$50,000 to assist in the design phase of our project. This will assure that we have a properly designed plan before work begins. This is one way that the United Catholic Appeal can benefit parishes with special needs. 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.

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.

The Silent Auction team needs your help. Call Mary Martha Costello at 544-0473, or Rosemary Armour at 372-5513 if you or your employer can donate new goods or services valued in excess of \$25.00.



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 to all who have helped by bringing desserts so far!**

Attention Faculty and Alumnae of the former St. Mary Academy, Indianapolis, IN

St. Mary Academy Alumnae Association is planning an "all class" reunion to be held on Saturday, July 13, 2015, at The Atrium, 3143 South Thompson Road, Indianapolis, IN. If you have not received a "Save-the-Date" card and / or would like more information, please contact:

- Maggie (Pella) Zapfe 750-0876 – mmzapfe@gmail.com
- Alice (Brackney) Mader 765-894-2822 – alicedeanmader448@yahoo.com



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