4th SUNDAY of LENT

FLOWER HERESE - LIT **ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH**

4720 E. 13th Street Indianapolis. Indiana 46201 www.littleflowerparish.org

Little Flower Church Mission Statement

-or God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him might not perish but might have eternal life. John 3:16



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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 (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.

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.

Monday - Friday 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Saturday: 3:45 PM to 4:30 PM or by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

OFFICE HOURS:

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 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 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 Fourth Sunday of Lent, the mid-point of Lent. This might be a good day to review for ourselves how we are doing keeping our Lenten promises. On Easter Sunday, we want to be able to celebrate not only Jesus' resurrection from the dead 2000 years ago but also our own resurrection to new life with him. This will only be possible to the extent that we have put to death the selfishness and sin that is part of our lives in order to rise to new life in Christ.

This Wednesday, March 11, I will hear confessions from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. as part of *The Light Is on for You*. This is another opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation before Easter. This Saturday and next Saturday will be the final two opportunities to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation before Easter.

Happy Saint Patrick's Day to all on Tuesday.

Have a wonderful week.

fr. bob

HOLY WEEK/EASTER SCHEDULE

	HOLT WEEK/ LASTER SCHEDULE				
April 2	Holy Thursday	Soup Supper in Duffey Hall – 5:30			
		p.m 6:30 p.m. Mass of the Lord's			
		Supper and commissioning of all			
		Eucharistic Ministers–7 p.m.			
April 3	il 3 Good Friday Living Stations of the Cross at				
		8:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.			
		Celebration of the Lord's Passion			
		(Main service for Good Friday) at 7:00 p.m.			
April 4	Holy Saturday	Easter Vigil at 8:00 p.m.			
April 5	Easter Sunday	Masses at 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.			
April 6	Easter Monday	Parish office and School Closed			



We extend our condolences to *Mary Jo Campbell* on the death of her brother, **Hugh Sullivan, Jr.** and to *Peg and Dick Kramer and their family* on the death of Peg's brother,

Terence Speth. Please keep these families in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. May God welcome Hugh and Terence 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 **Tom Griffin, St. Paul Hermitage,**

501 N. 17th Street, Beech Grove, IN 46107

OUR LENTEN JOURNEY

Readings for this weekend, the Fourth Sunday of Lent

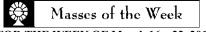
First Reading: 2 Chronicles 36: 14-15, 19-23 Second Reading: Ephesians 2: 4-10 Gospel: John 3: 14-21

In today's Gospel, Jesus makes a reference to Israel's desert wanderings (Numbers 21: 4-9) to make the point that His Crucifixion will be a source of healing and life for all who look to Him. There is a word play in the Greek translation. The verb that means "to lift up"—just as the serpent on the pole and Jesus on the cross were lifted up—can also mean "to exalt"-- shame is juxtaposed with glory. We are invited to walk by the light of Jesus' glory. Consider in prayer during this week: How have the desert times in my life lifted me up and made me strong? How have they brought me closer to God? (Source: Sourcebook, Liturgy Training Publications)

Readings for next weekend, the Fifth Sunday of Lent

First Reading: Jeremiah 31: 31-34 Second Reading: Hebrews 5: 7-9 Gospel: John 12: 20-33

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FOR THE WEEK OF March 16 - 22, 2015 March Monday 16 5:30 p.m. Harry Hosey by the Snow Family March Tuesday 17 5:30 p.m. Helen Haigerty by Barbara and Robert Hirschauer 18 March Wednesday 5:30 p.m. Art Meier 19 March Thursday Greentree - Norbert Mauer 1:30 p.m. 5:30 p.m. Communion Service March 20 Friday 8:30 a.m. Mildred Mauer 5:30 p.m. Way of the Cross and Communion Service 21 March Saturday Vigil of the 5th Sunday of Lent 5:00 p.m. George Haddin by Martha Haddin 22 March Sunday – Fifth Sunday of Lent 8:30 a.m. Brian Hawkins by Jennifer Raven 10:30 a.m. Jerry Jett by the Jett Family

6:00 p.m. For the People

The Week Ahead

March 15-22, 2015							
DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP				
Sunday	Blood Pressure Check after all Masses						
	Church	8:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy				
	School	9:30 a.m.	Religious Ed				
	Parish Center	9:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts				
	Church	10:30 a.m.	RCIA - 2 nd Scrutiny				
	Duffey Hall	11:30 a.m.	Miss Eckrich Retirement Party				
	Parish Center	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation Prep				
	Holy Family	7:15 p.m.	Women's CRHP				
Monday	Scout Room	6:30 p.m.	Girl Scout Troop #2443				
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				
	Scout Room	6:00 p.m.	Girl Scouts #2441				
	St. Therese	7:00 p.m.	RCIA				
	Duffey Hall	7:00 p.m.	Neighborhood Association				
Wednesday	St. Patrick	9:30 a.m.	Bible Study				
	St. Therese	3:30 p.m.	8 th Grade Study Group				
	St. Patrick	6:00 p.m.	Finance Council				
	Church	6:30 p.m.	Reconciliation The Light is on for You				
Thursday	Parking Lot	6:00 p.m.	Raingutter Regata				
	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				
	Duffey Hall	4:30 p.m.	Lenten Fish Fry				
	Parish Center	4:45 p.m.	Market Day				
Saturday	St. Therese	7:00 a.m.	Men's Prayer Group				
	Ladies Club Easter Flower Collection after all Masses						
	New Parishioner Registration after all Masses						
Sunday	Church	8:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy				
	Duffey Hall	9:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts				
	Church	6:00 p.m.	RCIA 3 rd Scrutiny				



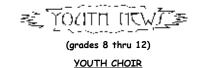
Spring is coming and the Ladies Club will again be selling bedding plants. This is the Ladies Club's biggest fund raiser of the year, so please support us. There are Flower Picture Sheets available at each entrance to peruse.

Ladies Club News

The Ladies Club will be collecting for Easter Flowers on March 21/22 after all the Masses. Thank you for your generosity.

Did you know? The Ladies Club mailed out over 700 Calendar of Events in August along with an envelope to send in a \$5 Membership. To date we have received less than 200 Memberships. The Ladies Club does not frivolously spend your hard earned money! The Ladies Club works diligently to hold several fundraisers a year and generously donates several thousand dollars back to Fr. Bob and the Parish keeping only enough to operate and begin fundraising for the next year. Our year consists of meetings from September-May, taking the summer off and January.

If you haven't sent in your \$5 Membership, please do so in any Sunday collection. Just mark your check or envelope Ladies Club Membership and we will be sure to receive it. THANK YOU LADIES FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!



Sunday, March 15 Sunday, March 22 NO PRACTICE Sing at 6 p.m. Mass. Meet in church at 5 p.m.

Edge Epic Day of Fun

All students in grades 6-8 are invited to join us for our final Edge event, The Epic Day of Fun, on April 11. We'll meet at 1 p.m. at Our Lady of Lourdes to go to Great Times Adventure Park for go-karts and mini-golf. After two hours of fun, we'll grab a quick dinner before heading back to Our Lady of Lourdes for Mass at 5 pm. After Mass, we'll head to Sky Zone in Fishers for some jumping fun. Cost to attend both events is \$45, but you can also join us for only one part of the day. Before Mass cost is \$20 and after Mass cost is \$25. To sign up, please turn in permission form, Sky Zone Jump Waiver, and money to Miss Pometto in the Our Lady of Lourdes office by April 10. Cost for all meals is included. Call Miss Pometto with questions - 356-7291



Candidates and team will meet Sunday, March 15 in the Parish Center for Session 7. The meeting will be from 7 p.m. until 9 p.m.

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 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.

ATTENTION COLTS OR PACERS SEASON TICKET HOLDERS

Would you be willing to donate a pair (or more) of your tickets for just one game next year? **The Silent Auction could use your donation.** Please call Mary Martha Costello at 544-0473, or Rosemary Armour at 372-5513



Little Flower will be hosting a new 9-week Financial Peace University (FPU) Class starting April 9, 2015 in the Parish Center. Achieve your financial goals by eliminating debt, saving for the future, and giving like never before! New members can purchase class materials at a discounted rate of \$93. Please visit

http://www.daveramsey.com/fpu/locations/org/8950/class/275614 to watch a class preview, view the schedule, register, and purchase class materials. Feel free to contact Andrew Gordon, (317) 402-2051, <u>civilsrule@juno.com</u> if you have any questions about the class.

FISH FRY Fridays during lent thru March 27 Please invite neighbors, family, and friends Serving from 4:30PM until 7:00PM



Capital Campaign – Did you know?

We will have an update at Mass this weekend. We are confident we can reach out goal by the end of March. It's not too late to turn in your card if you have not done so. Thanks to all who have responded so generously. 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.

STEWARDSHIP OF TIME, TALENT, AND TREASURE YOUR GIFTS TO GOD AND PARISH							
Weekly Budget Goal	\$	13,500.00					
Collection of March 7 and 8	\$	11,336.91					
Electronic Contributions 3/2 – 3/6	\$	6,377.67					
Fiscal Year 2014-2015 YTD Actual	\$	486,373.37					
Fiscal Year 2014-2015 YTD Budget	\$	486,000.00					
Fiscal Year 2014-2015 YTD	\$	+ 373.37					
Home Improvement Fund							
November Contributions	\$ 2	,586.08					
December Contributions	\$ 2	,580.58					
January Contributions	\$ 1	,909.58					
February Contributions	\$ 2	,079.58					
March Contributions	\$ 1	,402.58					



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!

10th Annual Mulch Sale

10th Annual Mulch Sale to benefit Scecina Crusader Athletics. Think spring and order your mulch and potting mix now from Scecina. We deliver FREE to your door. Thank you to everyone who has ordered mulch in the past. Your purchases have helped fund Scecina's athletics programs over the years. If you haven't ordered before, give us a try this year. It's easy to order online at <u>www.scecina.org/mulch</u>. The best part? We do the heavy lifting with free delivery. Deadline to order is April 20. Delivery is April 24 and 25. Order now and cross this spring chore off your list! You also can pick up an order form at the doors of church.



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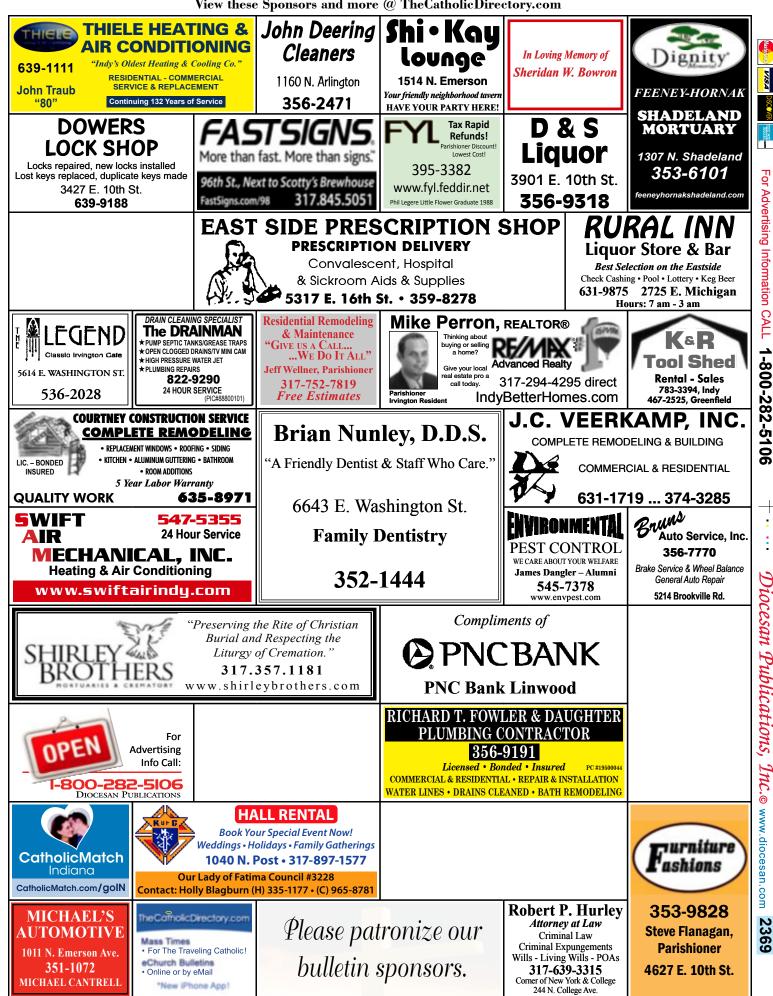
From 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, March 18, priests will be available in churches throughout the Archdiocese to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation with anyone who comes and wishes to experience God's mercy and forgiveness. On this evening, during these times, you can receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation at almost every parish in the Archdiocese.

Catholic Radio Indy will have its 11th Annual Dinner and Silent Auction on **Wednesday, April 15**. It will be at the North Side Knights of Columbus Hall at 71st and Keystone. A Reception and Silent Auction begins at 5:30 PM. Dinner begins at 7 PM. Bishop Doherty from the Lafayette Diocese will be the speaker and Anne Ryder is the MC for the evening. Tickets and more information are available by going to CatholicRadioIndy.org or by calling <u>317-870-8400</u>.

FAST FOR LIVING WAGES--PLEASE JOIN US

Please join us the weekend of March 21 as we Fast for Living Wages. Fasters will be going without food, some for as long as 72.5 hours, to show support for raising Indiana's \$7.25 per hour minimum wage. For more information about the Fast for Living Wages, go to <u>www.raisethewageIN.org</u>. To commit to fasting with us, just send a message to Fran Quigley, <u>fwquigley@gmail.com</u>, or go to the Raise the Wage Indiana page on Facebook and accept the invitation there: <u>https://www.facebook.com/RaisetheWageIN</u>. You may also share your reason for fasting and updates on your experiences during the fast. Raise the Wage Indiana is a diverse group of individuals and organizations working to improve wages for low wage workers in Indiana.

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