

# ST. THERESE - LITTLE FLOWER

## ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

4720 E. 13th Street Indianapolis, Indiana 46201

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### 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.

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### PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Chairperson	Scott Sidor
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Parish Life Commission	Pat Gandolph
School Commission	Jeff Lyons
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At-Large Member	Cassie Echegaray
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.

### 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](mailto:lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org) by noon on Monday.

**Dear Parish Family,**

Thank you for your continuing patience with our construction projects. As you saw last weekend, the parking lot is almost back to normal and the entrance through the alley has been reopened. At this time, we are still awaiting delivery of some of the electrical equipment needed for the new HVAC system. We expect delivery in mid-September.

Several people have asked about our search for a new parish Music Director. At this time, the search committee and I have decided to suspend our search until sometime after the beginning of 2016. Teresa Eckrich will continue to lead the choir and perform other duties as she is able. We will continue to function in much the same way as have for most of the last year.

RCIA (the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) begins on Tuesday, September 8, at 7 p.m. in the Parish Center. In last week's bulletin, Autumn Thomas shared the inspirational story of her faith journey. Also, last Sunday members of the RCIA team spoke at all the Masses. As we prepare for the beginning of RCIA, please invite family members, friends, neighbors, or coworkers who you think might be interested in learning about the Catholic Church or becoming Catholic to attend. If you prefer, you can submit their names to us, and we will invite them. Also, we always need more sponsors. If you might be interested in walking with someone on their journey of faith, please contact Lisa Gibbons. Inviting someone to consider RCIA or serving as a sponsor are ways we can respond to Jesus' call to evangelize.

Monday is the Feast of St. Bartholomew Apostle. Bartholomew in the Synoptic Gospels is Nathaniel in John's Gospel. It is believed that Bartholomew is a surname meaning "the son of Tolmai." When Nathaniel approaches Jesus, Jesus, knowing his heart, praises him: "Here is a true Israelite. There is no duplicity in him" [Jn. 1:47]. Jesus praised him for being a person of integrity.

Thursday is the feast of St. Monica, and Friday is the feast of St. Augustine. St. Monica is the patroness of mothers. She was the mother of St. Augustine. Through her prayers, she gained the conversion of her pagan husband and of St. Augustine who had lived a wild life until the age of 33. It was St. Augustine who wrote, "My heart will never rest until it rests in you, O Lord." Because our heart is open to the infinite, nothing-no person, no thing-other than God can make us perfectly happy.

Have a wonderful week.

fr. bob



Please welcome into our Christian community Abigail Alyssa, daughter of Liliana Estrada, who was baptized on Sunday, August 16, 2015.



Sessions for the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults are available to anyone who wants to learn more about the Catholic faith. **Our first session begins on Tuesday, Sept. 8, at 7 p.m. in the Parish Center. Our topic for the evening is "The Journey of Faith" and we will have a Q & A session. Please join us!**



The adult choir, which sings every Sunday at Mass from September through May, will begin their new season on the Tuesday evening, September 8, at 7 p.m. We especially need to add young parents to this group. Search your heart. If God has given you the love of singing, could you give this gift back to him this year?



**Mass Intentions**

**FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 24 - 30, 2015**

- 24 August **Monday**  
5:30 p.m. For the Intentions of Vicky Spalding by Friends
- 25 August **Tuesday**  
5:30 p.m. James Gilday
- 26 August **Wednesday**  
5:30 p.m. Norbert Mauer
- 27 August **Thursday**  
5:30 p.m. Communion Service
- 28 August **Friday**  
8:30 a.m. Steve Schmidt by B.J. Schmidt  
5:30 a.m. Communion Service
- 29 August **Saturday**  
5:00 p.m. Vigil of the 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Mary Helen Arvin by Jennifer Arvin
- 30 August **Sunday-The 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
8:30 a.m. Maria Gioi Thi Dao by Luan and Anh Dao  
10:30 a.m. Joe Greeson by the Jim Greeson Family  
6:00 p.m. For the People

*The Week Ahead*

**August 23 - 30, 2015**

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP
<b>Sunday</b>	Church	8:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy
	Duffey Hall	9:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts
	Duffey Hall	9:30 a.m.	Religious Ed
	Church	5:00 p.m.	Youth Choir Practice & Sing at 6 p.m. Mass
	Youth Room	7:00 p.m.	Youth Room Pizza Night
	St. Therese	7:00 p.m.	Men's CRHP
<b>Monday</b>	St. Therese	6:30 p.m.	Gabriel Project
	St. Therese	9:30 a.m.	Legion of Mary
<b>Tuesday</b>	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	RCIA Team Meeting
	St. Patrick	9:30 a.m.	Bible Study
<b>Wednesday</b>	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	Liturgy Commission
	Holy Family	6:00 p.m.	Boy Scout Sign-Ups
<b>Thursday</b>	St. Therese	8:00 p.m.	AA
	St. Therese	7:07 a.m.	Men's Prayer Group
<b>Saturday</b>	Parking Lot	11:00 a.m.	Ladies Club Flower Pick-Up
	Church	8:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy
<b>Sunday</b>	School	9:30 a.m.	Religious Ed
	Duffey Hall	9:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts
	St. Patrick	7:15 p.m.	Joy of the Gospel Reflection
	Off-Site	7:15 p.m.	Women's CRHP

**The parish office will be closed on Monday, September 7 for Labor Day**



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:

**Anna Werner**  
Greentree at Post  
8800 Spoon Drive, #113, Indianapolis, IN 46219

**THE TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**NOTE:**

There will be no Adventuresome Group in August. Our next get together will be Wednesday, September 9. We will be going to Tom and Margie Greene's home for a picnic. Please watch the bulletin for more information.

**CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH**

**MEN'S WEEKEND: SEPTEMBER 19-20**

**WOMEN'S WEEKEND: OCTOBER 3-4**

Don't miss out on this renewal weekend.

It is an excellent opportunity to meet new people and make new friends in a spiritual environment.

For additional information please contact:

Bernie Sponsel: [\(941\) 468-7740](tel:9414687740)/[bernardsponsel@yahoo.com](mailto:bernardsponsel@yahoo.com)

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**Religious Education Notes**

If you have a son or daughter in grades kindergarten to 8<sup>th</sup> grade who attend public schools, it is not too late to register for Religious Education. Our session began on Sunday, August 23, but you can still join us! As Fr. Bob mentioned in his bulletin letter last week, "our children need formal religious education more than ever before in our country's history!" If you have any questions or would like to register please email Lisa at [lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org](mailto:lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org) or by 357-8352. There is a fee of \$45 per child to cover books and materials.



**Our Parish Picnic**, sponsored by the Family Life Commission, will be on **Sunday, September 13**, following the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Please mark your calendar and save the date. You won't want to miss out on all the fun! There will

be bingo, family games & activities, kickball, and card games for all you card sharks. All activities will take place right here on our grounds, so you won't have far to travel. Fried chicken, drinks, and all paper products will be provided. Every family is asked to bring a dish to share that will feed 8-10 people. Listed below is what you are asked to bring according to the first letter of your last name:

- A – G                      Desserts
- H – P                      Cold Dish
- Q – Z                      Hot Dish

You might also want to bring lawn chairs so that you can move around to watch the various events that are happening. Help is needed, before & after the picnic, as all the tables and chairs for this event will need to be brought up from the cafeteria and returned to the cafeteria. Please contact Peggy Clegg, 357-8352, if you are available to help. Remember, many hands make for light work.

**COMING THIS FALL – NEW PARISH PICTORIAL DIRECTORY**

It's been five years, so it is time to do a new parish pictorial directory. This directory will coincide with the 90th Anniversary of Little Flower Parish. Currently photographers are scheduled to be here 9/22 thru 9/26, 9/29 thru 9/30, and 10/6 thru 10/10. The website is now open for on-line appointments. Please go to [www.littleflowerparish.org](http://www.littleflowerparish.org) and follow the link for sign-ups. You may also sign up after Masses beginning this weekend. *Please note: The website will be unavailable each week from noon on Friday until noon on Monday.*

**Thank you to all who have collected plastic lids for the school. Unfortunately they will no longer be collecting them this year.**



**ANNUAL GOLF OUTING**

It's time to get serious. The annual Fr. Robert Borchertmeyer Golf Outing has been scheduled for **Friday, September 11** at Pleasant Run Golf course. Flyers with golfer and sponsor

information are available at the church doors. Contact Jeff Lyons 317-294-9242 or email [jeffly200@gmail.com](mailto:jeffly200@gmail.com) for more information.

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

Weekly Budget Goal	\$	13,500.00
Collection of August 15 and 16	\$	7,605.88
Electronic Contributions 8/10 – 8/14	\$	1,372.67
Fiscal Year 2015-2016 YTD Actual	\$	84,552.11
Fiscal Year 2015-2016 YTD Budget	\$	94,500.00
Fiscal Year 2015-2016 YTD	\$	- 9,947.89

**Home Improvement Fund**

June Contributions	\$	2,171.33
July Contributions	\$	2,187.58
August Contributions (to date)	\$	1,886.33



Your Eastside Catholic Community Cohort (Holy Spirit, Our Lady of Lourdes, and Little Flower) is hosting a workshop for all Liturgical Ministers. Please plan to join us on **Saturday, November 14** for a day of reflection. Fr. Godfrey Mullen, OSB will join other speakers to provide insight into the meaning of each ministry. Anyone who serves the Church in the following areas is invited: Eucharistic Ministers, Sacristans, Lectors, Music Ministers, Ushers, Greeters, and Art & Environment volunteers. Keep checking the bulletin for more information and a registration form.

**Please consider remembering Little Flower in your estate planning!**

**Girls Basketball & Volleyball SIGN UPS**



All girls in grades 4-8 interested in playing basketball, there is one more opportunity to sign up on **Tuesday, August 25 from 5-7 p.m.** in the Little Flower Parking Lot. Must attend school OR be a parishioner. Also seeking all those interested in coaching.

**Attention girls in high school** interested in playing CYO volleyball may also sign up on August 25. Questions? Call or email Sarah Stevenson, [sjstevenson@prodigy.net](mailto:sjstevenson@prodigy.net) or [317-946-3194](tel:3179463194).

**Interested in Flag Football??**



Flag Football for K-2nd grade boys and girls from OLL, Little Flower & Holy Spirit. It is a 6 week league starting in mid-September. League will be set up similar to the intramural basketball league at Little Flower. Cost: \$25-\$30. If interested,

please contact Brad McDonald, [bmcdonald@gaylor.com](mailto:bmcdonald@gaylor.com)

**YOUTH NEWS**

(grades 8 thru 12)

**YOUTH CHOIR** will sing at Mass on Sunday August 23. Please meet in church at 5 p.m.

**YOUTH ROOM** will be open for all youth after Mass on August 23, until 8:30 p.m. Stop in for pizza!

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