

# ST. THERESE - LITTLE FLOWER

## ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

**Dear Parish Family,**

Today is Catechetical Sunday. The theme for this year's Catechetical Sunday is "Safeguarding the Dignity of Every Human Person." This year's theme reminds us that the dignity of each human person rests in the biblical teaching (Gen 1:26-27) that he or she is made in God's image and likeness. Pope Francis helps us to understand this: "To believe in a Father who loves all men and women with an infinite love means realizing that he thereby confers upon them an infinite dignity" (EG, no. 178).

**Our Little Flower Novena begins this Monday, September 21, at 5:30 p.m. with the Novena prayers, a reading from Fr. Ron Rolheiser, and a Communion Service. The Novena will take place on nine consecutive weekday evenings, omitting Saturday and Sunday. We will celebrate the Feast of St. Therese at all the Masses next weekend. On her actual feast day, Thursday, October 1, there will also be an all-school Mass at 8:30 a.m. The Solemn Closing of the Novena will take place on October 1 at 5:30 p.m.**

As you know, this year we are celebrating the 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the foundation of Little Flower Parish. Therefore, I want to especially encourage you to attend the novena this year to thank God for all his blessings upon our parish and to ask his continued blessings on our parish.

The 1945 Jubilee Brochure described the first Little Flower Novena:

The first public novena in honor of the Little Flower came to a close on her feast, September 30, 1927. Crowds from all over the city participated in this novena, the average nightly attendance being about 700. Closing night, an estimated 1500 persons were present.

I think everyone who attended our parish picnic last Sunday enjoyed the day. In addition to the delicious food, there were games for the small children, kickball for the older children, and Bingo for the adults. Thanks to all those who attended and to all those who donated food for the cause. Special thanks to the Parish Life Commission, especially Dana Cavosie, Penney Fowler, and Lori Falk who were in charge of the picnic in Peggy Clegg's absence. Also, the Men's Club was in charge of set-up. Thanks to all who helped set up and take down.

Also, last weekend at the 10:30 a.m. Mass, Little Flower honored the 2014-2015 Hazel Elizabeth Holdaway Gallagher Service Award winners: Devlon McNabb, Kim Guerrero-Torres, Maria Nevins, and Knight Wolff. They were presented a certificate of recognition, and their names will be inscribed on a permanent plaque in school. Also, the students receive a monetary award that is given as a credit to the student's tuition account.

Hazel Holdaway Gallagher raised her five children in Little Flower. She had such great appreciation and gratitude for what she and her children received at Little Flower that even after she left Little Flower Parish in 1963, she continued to send a check every month to Little Flower. In gratitude to her, her family and friends fund this award to keep her memory alive at Little Flower.

Finally, as I mentioned last week, Pope Francis has simplified the annulment process. I would just mention three highlights:

1. There is no longer a mandatory appeal of affirmative cases, which means 2-3 months have been taken off the length of time for formal cases;
2. Our Tribunal is now competent to hear cases when the marriage took place in another country or when the respondent lives in another country provided the petitioner lives in our Archdiocese.
3. The Holy Father has announced a new simplified process for those cases "where the nullity of marriage is supported by arguments that are particularly evident." This is a procedure that works alongside the formal cases and does not replace the formal process.

Have a wonderful week.

fr. bob

**Mass Intentions****FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 21 – 27, 2015**

<b>21</b>	<b>September</b>	<b>Monday</b>	Little Flower Novena & Communion Service
<b>22</b>	<b>September</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	Mildred Mauer
	8:30 a.m.		Little Flower Novena & Communion Service
<b>23</b>	<b>September</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	Delia Gilday
	8:30 a.m.		Little Flower Novena & Communion Service
<b>24</b>	<b>September</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	Art Meier
	8:30 a.m.		Little Flower Novena & Communion Service
<b>25</b>	<b>September</b>	<b>Friday</b>	Theresa Long by the Ladies Club
	8:30 a.m.		Little Flower Novena & Communion Service
<b>26</b>	<b>September</b>	<b>Saturday</b>	Vigil of the 26 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time
	5:00 p.m.		Michael McGinley by Kathleen White & Family
<b>27</b>	<b>September</b>	<b>Sunday-The 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	For the People
	8:30 a.m.		Bud & Dorothy Moody by Bobbie & Bob
	10:30 a.m.		Lawless
	6:00 p.m.		Beth Bowles

***The Week Ahead*****September 20-27, 2015**

<b>DAY</b>	<b>ROOM</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>GROUP</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	Ladies Club Novena Flower Collection at all Masses		
	New Parishioner Registration after all Masses		
	Church	8:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy
	School	9:30 a.m.	Religious Ed
	Duffey Hall	9:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts
<b>Monday</b>	St. Patrick	4:30 p.m.	SVDP Dinner
	St. Patrick	6:30 p.m.	SVDP Meeting
<b>Tuesday</b>	St. Patrick	9:30 a.m.	Legion of Mary
	St. Therese & St. Patrick	2:30 p.m.	Directory Photographs
	Duffey Hall/School Cafe	7:00 p.m.	RCIA
	Church	7:00 p.m.	Choir
<b>Wednesday</b>	St. Patrick	9:30 a.m.	Bible Study
	St. Therese & St. Patrick	2:30 p.m.	Directory Photographs
	John 23 <sup>rd</sup>	7:00 p.m.	Liturgy Committee
<b>Thursday</b>	St. Therese & St. Patrick	2:30 p.m.	Directory Photographs
	St. Jerome	6:30 p.m.	Bible Study
	John 23 <sup>rd</sup>	7:00 p.m.	Stewardship Meeting
	St. Patrick	8:00 p.m.	AA
<b>Friday</b>	St. Therese & St. Patrick	2:30 p.m.	Directory Photographs
	Duffey Hall	4:00 p.m.	Dance Studio
<b>Saturday</b>	St. Therese	7:07 a.m.	Men's Prayer Group
	St. Therese & St. Patrick	10:00 a.m.	Directory Photographs
	Marian Event Center	6:00 p.m.	90th Anniversary Dinner & Dance Social
<b>Sunday</b>	Church	8:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy
	Duffey Hall	9:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts
	School	9:30 a.m.	Religious Education
	Duffey Hall	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation Meeting
	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	Women's CRHP



## THE TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Little Flower's fall blood drive is just around the corner! Mark your calendars for Wednesday October 7 and check next week's bulletin for more information!

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

Weekly Budget Goal	\$	13,500.00
Collection of September 12 and 13	\$	8,200.45
Electronic Contributions 9/7 - 9/11	\$	1,914.67
Fiscal Year 2015-2016 YTD Actual	\$	138,305.32
Fiscal Year 2015-2016 YTD Budget	\$	148,500.00
Fiscal Year 2015-2016 YTD	\$	-10,194.68

#### Home Improvement Fund

July Contributions	\$	2,187.58
August Contributions	\$	2,316.33
September Contributions (to date)	\$	1,558.58



### Confirmation

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 Arts & Environment volunteers. Keep checking the bulletin for more information and a registration form.

**Calling All Catholic Adults!** The National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC) 2015 returns to the Indiana Convention Center and Lucas Oil Stadium **November 19-21, 2015**. Over 23,000 college and high school students from across the United States are coming to Indy to say Here I Am Lord. You too can be part of this exciting event. We need over 1,000 adult volunteers before and during all sessions of NCYC. You can choose your job and shifts at our volunteer registration site. Go to [www.ncyc.info](http://www.ncyc.info) and click on the link to the volunteer registration site to start the process. Come join the fun and witness the young Catholic Church this November.

### CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH

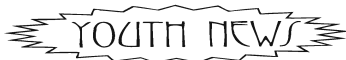
#### WOMEN'S WEEKEND: OCTOBER 3-4

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:

Andrea Johnson: [\(317\)340-5292](tel:3173405292) / [ajohnso2010@gmail.com](mailto:ajohnso2010@gmail.com)



(grades 8 thru 12)

**YOUTH CHOIR** will sing at 6 p.m. Mass on Sundays, September 27 and October 4. Please meet in church at 5 p.m. We are open to all youth in grades 8 thru 12. We recently lost significant members who left for college. We sing at the 6 p.m. Mass on the first and fourth Sunday of each month and practice one Sunday evening per month. **STUDENTS**, please consider joining us, and **PARENTS**, please encourage your students to join us!

**YOUTH ROOM** will be open on Sunday, October 4 following the 6 p.m. Mass until 8:30 p.m. Please plan to stop in for pizza.

#### Girl Scout Troop 2441

Any interested 4<sup>th</sup> grade girls are invited to join (or re-join) the troop! Our next meeting will be Sept. 29, at 6:30 p.m., in the Holy Family Room in the Parish Center. Please contact Jody Nashold with any questions at 352-9185 or 507-4712 or email [jgreenenashold@ecommunity.com](mailto:jgreenenashold@ecommunity.com).

### NEW PARISH PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

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 still 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 call the parish office to schedule over the phone. Thanks to all who have already scheduled!

**We are STILL looking for volunteers to serve as hosts/hostesses to work 3 or 4 hours shifts here at the parish center when photographs are being taken. If you can help, please leave your name with the secretary at the parish center, 357-8352, and someone will contact you! If you can help for even one shift, please call!**



**On Saturday, November 7** we will host the annual Little Flower School All-Class Reunion. Reserve this date and please pass the word to Little Flower School Alumni! Details to follow

On **Sunday, September 27**, there will be a meeting for all young adults **and their parents** from Little Flower AND Our Lady of Lourdes who might be interested in preparing for the sacrament of Confirmation this year. Confirmation preparation is open to all youth in grades 9 thru 12. The meeting will take place in the school cafeteria and will begin at 7:00 p.m. (immediately after the 6 p.m. Mass). Attendance at this meeting is essential for anyone who wants to prepare for Confirmation in the spring of 2016. Please call Tom at the parish center at 357-8352 or email [tom@littleflowerparish.org](mailto:tom@littleflowerparish.org) if you have questions.

**We are also looking for confirmed high school youth and adults who might enjoy working with youth to help on the confirmation team. Please call or email Tom right away if you are interested.**



The next Baptism Preparation Class is **Monday, September 28 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 early December.

### PARISH CENTER SCHEDULING

Please note that effective October 1, there will be no meetings scheduled **ON SUNDAY EVENINGS** in the parish center, unless they directly involve a staff member. After busy weekends, we cannot commit staff to be present to provide access to the parish office on Sunday evenings. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

**As another reminder**, if you must cancel a scheduled meeting, please call the parish center and let us know. Twice this past week, staff remained at the parish center to provide access for scheduled meetings, only to find out that the meetings were not going to take place.

### Special Event

Seccina's Fall Open House is right around the corner. Any families interested in Seccina Memorial High School are invited to come to Seccina from 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Thursday, October 8, to learn more about the school programs, tour the building, and meet the faculty, staff, and students. The Seccina Baking Club will be providing a light meal and snacks so bring the whole family! Pre-register today at [www.seccina.org/openhouse](http://www.seccina.org/openhouse) to receive a free t-shirt at check-in!

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:

**Sandy Kielas, Rosewalk at Lutherwood,**  
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