

Fourth Sunday of Lent

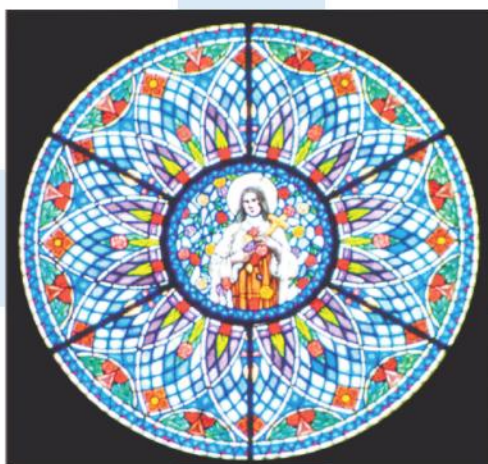
I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall be always in my mouth.

Ps. 34:2

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 by noon on Monday.

**Dear Parish Family,**

We welcome Fr. Patrick Cooney, OSB, as the celebrant and homilist of this week's Saturday 5:00 p.m. Mass. Fr. Patrick is a monk of St. Meinrad Archabbey who is serving as the Defender of the Bond at the Metropolitan Tribunal and living at Little Flower.

Today we celebrate the Fourth Sunday of Lent, the mid-point of Lent. The Fourth Sunday of Lent was traditionally called Laetare Sunday. *Laetare* is another Latin word that means rejoice. Therefore, priests are invited to wear rose vestments. 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.

Some of you may have notice the new pew cards in the pews. You may remember that when the Mass responses changed a few years ago, we added pew cards to help with the responses. However, we removed them after we purchased our new hymnals because the new hymnals had all the correct responses and we had become familiar with those responses. Recently our new Evangelization Committee pointed out that visitors, especially non-Catholics, would have a hard time following the Mass using the hymnal. Therefore, they suggested adding a couple of pew cards to every pew primarily for the use of visitors.

Have a wonderful week.

fr. bob

HOLY WEEK/EASTER SCHEDULE

March 24: 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.

March 25: 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.

March 26: Holy Saturday Easter Vigil at 8:00 p.m.

March 27: Easter Sunday Masses at 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

March 28: Easter Monday **Parish office and School Closed**

**First Communion**

A retreat is being planned for children and their parents in our parish who will celebrate First Eucharist on April 24, 2016. 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 12, from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., in Duffey Hall (school cafe).**



On Sunday, March 6, Confirmation candidates (LF and OLL) and team, will gather for Session 6 in the Parish Center, from 7 p.m. until 9 p.m. Also, our next retreat day is on Sunday, March 20. This will be an all day retreat.

**MASS Schedule****FOR THE WEEK OF February 29-March 6, 2016**

07	March	Monday
	5:30 p.m.	Lauretta Jones
08	March	Tuesday
	5:30 p.m.	Art Meier
09	March	Wednesday
	11:00 a.m.	Tom O'Gara by Frank and Kathy Klinkose
	5:30 p.m.	Communion Service
10	March	Thursday
	5:30 p.m.	Kim Cooning, Sr. by Jim Flack
11	March	Friday
	8:30 a.m.	Elizabeth & Anthony Mauer
	5:30 p.m.	Stations of the Cross & Communion Service
12	March	Saturday-Vigil of the 5th Sunday of Lent
	5:00 p.m.	Emile and Joan Des Roches by Rita Gibson
13	March	Sunday- 5th Sunday of Lent
	8:30 a.m.	For the People
	10:30 a.m.	Jerry Jett by Anita Moody
	6:00 p.m.	Jim Clifford by Frank and Mary Skinner

The Week Ahead

March 6-13, 2016

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
	Church	10:30 a.m.	RCIA – 2 nd Scrutiny
Monday	Parish Center	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation
	St. Jerome	7:30 p.m.	Women's CRHP Team 2
	Scout Room	6:00 p.m.	Webelos/Bear Scouts
	St. Therese	6:30 p.m.	Rediscover Jesus book discussion
Tuesday	St. Patrick	6:30 p.m.	SVDP
	St. Therese	9:30 a.m.	Legion of Mary
	St. Therese	7:00 p.m.	RCIA Team Meeting
	Church	7:00 p.m.	Choir
Wednesday	Church/PC	11:00 a.m.	Adventuresome Group
	St. Therese	6:00 p.m.	Respect Life
	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	Parish Council
	St. Therese	7:00 p.m.	PTO Board
Thursday	Scout Room	6:00 p.m.	Wolf Scouts
	St. Patrick	6:30 p.m.	Bible Study
	John 23 rd	7:00 p.m.	Festival Meeting
	St. Therese	8:00 p.m.	AA
Friday	Duffey Hall	4:30 p.m.	Lenten Fish Fry
Saturday	St. Therese	7:07 a.m.	Men's Prayer Group
	Duffey Hall	10:00 a.m.	1 st Communion Retreat
	Duffey Hall	7:00 p.m.	Middle School Dance
	Easter Flower Collection after all Masses		
	Blood Pressure Check after 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
	St. Therese	1:00 p.m.	Franciscan Associates
	St. Therese	2:00 p.m.	Men's CRHP
	Church	6:00 p.m.	RCIA 3 rd Scrutiny

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

Weekly Budget Goal	\$	13,500.00
Collection of February 27 and 28	\$	8,508.51
Electronic Contributions 2/22 – 2/26	\$	1,748.00
Fiscal Year 2015-2016 YTD Actual	\$	457,762.97
Fiscal Year 2015-2016 YTD Budget	\$	472,500.00
Fiscal Year 2015-2016 YTD Deficit	\$	- 17,737.03

Home Improvement Fund

December Contributions	\$	2,371.58
January Contributions	\$	2,022.58
February Contributions (to date)	\$	2,004.58

OUR PARISH NEEDS YOUR STEWARDSHIP!

If you have not yet returned your Stewardship Intention Card, please do so as soon as possible! We have only received back only about 25% of the cards we sent out...235 cards out of 950! Even with repeated requests, this situation is not improving. It will only take a short time for you to return your card. It is important for planning purposes to have as many cards turned in as possible. Extra cards are available at the Church doors.

THANKS TO ALL THOSE WHO HAVE RETURNED THEIR INTENTION CARDS!

The Adventuresome Group will meet on Wednesday, March 9, following the 11a.m. Mass. This month our guest speakers will be Ellen Brown and Monica Woodsworth from Catholic Charities. They will be talking about the Senior Companion Program and RSVP, a senior volunteer program. Please call the Parish Center, 357-8352, if you plan on attending.



**SAVE THE DATE
PLEASE NOTE TIME CORRECTION**

Our annual Soup Supper will be on Holy Thursday, March 24, from 5:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m. Please mark the date and plan on attending before going to Mass at 7

p.m. Watch the bulletin for more information.

Seccina Presents "Tarzan: The Stage Musical"

Seccina Memorial High School presents "Tarzan: The Stage Musical," based on the Disney film, at 7 p.m. March 18 and 19. Doors open at 6:30 each night. The show features heart-pumping music and lyrics by rock legend Phil Collins, including the Academy Award-winning song "You'll Be in My Heart" as well as "Son of Man" and "Two Worlds." Tickets are \$6; reserved \$8. To reserve tickets, email Pam Brake at atpbrake@seccina.org or call (317) 356-6377 extension 1212.

Breakfast with Tarzan and Friends

Join us for Breakfast with Tarzan and Friends, featuring a light breakfast with the cast of characters from "Tarzan" at 9 a.m. Saturday, March 19, at Seccina Memorial High School. This special event especially will appeal to families with young children who might not be able to sit through an evening performance of "Tarzan." Come see the sets, hear the songs, meet the characters and have breakfast! Tickets are \$6 for one parent/guardian and child, and \$2 more for each additional parent/guardian or child. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Contact Margaret Zeh-Fulford at mzeh@seccina.org or (317) 356-6377 extension 1204.



FISH FRY

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

**CARRY OUT IS AVAILABLE
WE WILL APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT!**



Just Desserts Ladies!
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 3:00pm. on Fridays. Thanks in advance and for all of your help in years past!



(grades 8 thru 12)

YOUTH CHOIR - new members are always welcome!

Sunday, March 6: Sing at 6 p.m. Mass, meeting in church at 5 p.m.

Time Change



Don't forget on Sunday, March 13, 2016 at 2 a.m., we will set our clocks forward by 1 hour. Happy Spring!

FESTIVAL NEWS

SUMMERFEST 2016 planning has begun. Our summer festival dates this year are June 3, 4, and 5. Our next festival leadership team meeting will be **Thursday, March 10**, at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Center.

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 9, or May 7.** 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 or Rosemary Armour at the numbers listed above.



GET READY for the St. Patrick's Day Celebration at Holy Cross gym! Sunday, March 13, 2016, 4-8 p.m., 125 N. Oriental St. Admission \$5, minimum age 21. Corned beef & cabbage dinners, beverages, and games of chance. Live music: Irish Stew, Highland

Bagpipers, Order tickets: treckley@sbcglobal.net. Reserve tables: [317-435-2853](tel:3174352853).

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