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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,

Today is Catechetical Sunday. The theme this year is “Prayer: The Faith Prayed.” Archbishop Leonard P. Blair, Chairman of the Bishops’ Committee on Evangelization and Catechesis, wrote, “This year’s theme invites all the baptized--especially catechists and Catholic school teachers--to devote themselves to a deeper study and practice of prayer, for their own spiritual good and for the good of those they serve.”

This Tuesday, September 20, marks the 90th anniversary of the opening of Little Flower Catholic School. To mark this historic occasion, we will celebrate an all-school Mass of Thanksgiving on Tuesday morning at 8:30 a.m. I hope that many parishioners will choose to attend this Mass with our students. Students, faculty, and staff will continue their celebration throughout the day.

Our Little Flower Novena will begin on Wednesday, September 21, at 5:30 p.m. with the Novena prayers, a reading from Fr. Ron Rolheiser, and a Communion Service. The parish has celebrated a novena in honor of St. Therese since 1927. On days 2 through 8, the Novena will take place on seven consecutive **weekday** evenings at 5:30 p.m., omitting Saturday and Sunday. The Solemn Closing of the Novena (Day 9) will take place at the 5:00 p.m. Mass on Saturday, October 1, as part of the parish celebration of the Feast of St. Therese. We will celebrate the Feast of St. Therese at all the Masses on the weekend of October 1-2.

Finally, as we announced several weeks ago, the organ is developing some problems, and because of the age and technology involved, it is impossible to obtain parts for repair. We announced the formation of a restricted fund to address organ and church sound system replacement.

In the meantime, we became aware of a digital Allen organ that is no longer being used by a church in Eaton, Ohio. After a road trip to check it out, and based on a couple of expert opinions, we have decided to obtain this organ. The price is VERY reasonable, just a small fraction of its original value. We will incur some minimal moving costs as well. We will continue to save for the eventual purchase of a new organ, but this organ is likely to serve us for quite some time. The organ is scheduled to be moved this weekend but will be staged temporarily in the gathering area of church until we can arrange for installation.

This solution will also allow us to give the sound system replacement a higher priority as donations are made to the restricted fund.

Have a wonderful week.

fr. bob

Our Sympathy We extend our sympathy to *Pattiann (Steve) Gavaghan-Johnson* on the death of her father, **Jim Gavaghan** who passed away on September 9 and whose funeral liturgy was celebrated here on September 14. Jim was 83 years young and a parishioner at LF for 63 years. He always had a smile on his face! Jim was a football coach here for many years. He most recently resided at St. Paul Hermitage. We remember our former parishioner, **Christina Chaplin**, who passed away on September 1 and whose funeral liturgy was celebrated here on September 10. We extend our condolences to *Dot Fulner* on the death of her sister, **Margie Smith**, to *Sarah Stevenson* on the death of her uncle, **Thomas Hayes**, and to Mary (Joe) Shaler on the death of her mother, **Dorothy Wills**. Please keep all of these families in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. May God grant Margie, Thomas, Christina, Dorothy, and Jim eternal life.

**Mass Intentions****FOR THE WEEK OF September 19-25, 2016**

19	September	Monday
	5:30 p.m.	Mildred Mauer
20	September	Tuesday
	8:30 a.m.	Gary Veerkamp by Donald Johnson
	5:30 p.m.	Communion Service
21	September	Wednesday
	8:30 a.m.	Anthony Puntarelli by Donna & Bill Woodman
	5:30 p.m.	Little Flower Novena & Communion Service
22	September	Thursday
	8:30 a.m.	John Clegg by Steve & Amy Clegg
	5:30 p.m.	Little Flower Novena & Communion Service
23	September	Friday
	8:30 a.m.	Delia Gilday
	5:30 p.m.	Little Flower Novena & Communion Service
24	September	Saturday–Vigil of 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
	5:00 p.m.	Charles & Mary O’Hara by Jim O’Hara
25	September	Sunday – The 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
	8:30 a.m.	For the People
	10:30 a.m.	Donna Murphy by the Ladies Club
	6:00 p.m.	Jim Clifford by David & Cheryl Clifford

The Week Ahead**September 18-25, 2016**

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP
Sunday	New Parishioner Registration after all Masses		
	Church	8:30 a.m.	Children’s Liturgy
	Duffey Hall	9:00 a.m.	PTO Pancake Breakfast
	School	9:30 a.m.	Religious Ed
	Church	7:00 p.m.	Youth Choir
Monday	Parking Lot	5-7 p.m.	Kickball Playoffs
	Scout Room	6:00 p.m.	Boy Scouts
	Scout Room	7:15 p.m.	Girl Scouts
Tuesday	Little Flower School’s 90 th Anniversary!		
	St. Therese	9:30 a.m.	Legion of Mary
	Parish Center	10:00 a.m.	Mission Sewing
	Parking Lot	1:30 p.m.	IMPD East District Roll Call
	Parking Lot	5-7 p.m.	Kickball Playoffs
	Scout Room	6:30 p.m.	Girl Scout #2441
	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	RCIA
	Church	7:00 p.m.	Choir
	Duffey Hall	7:00 p.m.	LF Neighborhood Association
Wednesday	Parking Lot	5-7 p.m.	Kickball Playoffs
	John 23 rd	6:00 p.m.	Finance Council
	St. Therese	6:30 p.m.	Chess Practice
Thursday	John 23 rd	7:00 p.m.	Stewardship Commission
	St. Patrick	7:30 p.m.	Women’s CRHP
	Gym	8:00 p.m.	Men’s Basketball
	St. Therese	8:00 p.m.	AA
Saturday	St. Therese	7:07 a.m.	Men’s Prayer 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

RCIA RCIA RCIA

Sessions for the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults are available to adults who want to learn more about the Catholic faith. **Our second session will be on Tuesday, September 20, at 7 p.m. in the Parish Center. Our topic for the evening is Who's Who in the Catholic Church & Church Tour.** Please join us!



NEWLY
BAPTIZED

baptized on Sunday, September 11, 2016.

Please welcome into our faith community Paxton David, son of Austin Glenn and Nicole Maio, who was

"RETURN"

The Little Flower Invite Committee is sponsoring a four week seminar "RETURN-How to Draw your Child Back to the Church" based on the book by Brandon Vogt.

The series will begin September 29 from 6:30-8:00 p.m. in the St. Patrick Room.

Cost: \$5:00 per person.

To register call or text: Cindy Woods 317-408-6396

GIVE BLOOD



SAVE LIFE

Little Flower's fall Blood Drive is Wednesday, October 5, from 3:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Please consider donating. You may sign up on line at www.indianablood.org or by calling Peggy Clegg at 357-8352. Thank you for giving the gift of life!

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

Weekly Budget Goal	\$ 13,500.00
Collection of September 10 & 11	\$ 8,764.49
Electronic Contributions 9/5-9/9	\$ 2,053.00
Fiscal Year 2016-2017 YTD Actual	\$ 141,665.86
Fiscal Year 2016-2017 YTD Budget	\$ 148,500.00
Fiscal Year 2016-2017 YTD DEFICIT	\$ - 6,834.14

Home Improvement Fund

June Contributions	\$ 2,140.58
July Contributions	\$ 1,980.83
August Contributions	\$ 1,933.58
September Contributions (to date)	\$ 1,334.75

Thank you for your continued contributions to the Home Improvement Fund. We are in the process of replacing the underground phone line that runs from the parish center and supplies phone service to the school. Damage to the line is causing multiple failures of phone lines in the school building. Your donations to the Home Improvement Fund will allow us to replace this line without impacting our operating budget!!

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:

Mary Holtsclaw

149 Diplomat Court #6, Beech Grove, IN 46107



On Saturday, October 8, Little Flower Neighborhood Association is teaming up with Keep Indianapolis Beautiful for a Great Indy Clean-up: Fall edition! Meet us at 9 a.m. at 1443 N Denny to get supplies and team up with your neighbors to pick up litter and clean up our neighborhood! We also would like to invite everyone to our neighborhood meetings, which will be every month on the third Tuesday, at 7 p.m., in the cafeteria of the Little Flower School. Our next meeting is September 20. We look forward to seeing new faces! If you have any questions, send an email to littleflowerneighborhood@gmail.com.



Little Flower Catholic Church and School will show our support for all the officers of Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department East District as they hold their roll call here at school at 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 20, in the school parking lot. Let's show our love and support for all that the IMPD East District does to keep our neighborhood safe. Our school students will attend the roll call, and parents and parishioners who are able are invited to come and show their support.

YOUTH NEWS

(grades 8 thru 12)

YOUTH CHOIR will practice on Sunday, September 18 in church from 7:00 P.M. until 8:15 P.M. New members are always welcome.



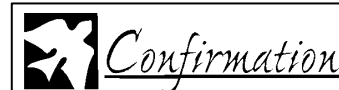
NEW JOB OPENING! We currently have an opening for a PART-TIME MAINTENANCE PERSON to do custodial and maintenance work in the school and parish from approximately 7:00 A.M. to 3:30 P.M., usually about eight days per month. Applicant must be motivated to work, somewhat independently. Applicant must be able to do some heavy work, with some use of equipment for floor cleaning, and some snow removal. Some experience in maintenance work is preferred. If you are interested, or know of someone who may be interested, please pick up an application at the parish office and return it to the office at your earliest convenience.



Saturday, October 1

Annual Parish Feast Day and Appreciation Dinner following the 5 p.m. Mass. All are invited. Mark your calendars.

ATTENTION ALUMNI! On Saturday, November 5, 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, October 2**, there will be a meeting for all young adults **and their parents** 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 2017. Please call Tom at the parish center at 357-8352 or email tom@littleflowerparish.org if you have questions.

Mundell & Associates, located at 110 South Downey Avenue will host on Friday, September 23 at 6:30 pm, a presentation by Dr. Luca Fiorani, professor of Ecology and Environment at LUMSA University in Rome titled: "A Catholic Scientist's View of Pope Francis' Encyclical Laudato Si." Professor Fiorani is a well-known Italian researcher who is also the international coordinator of EcoOne, a cultural environmental project of the worldwide Focolare Movement. EcoOne involves teachers, researchers and lay professionals working among varying cultural and religious groups to build a more united consensus of the environmental challenges we face, and our response to those challenges.

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