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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.

**If today
you hear His voice,
Harden Not Your Hearts.**

Dear Parish Family,

In the September 9th issue of *The Criterion*, Archbishop Tobin began a series of columns on critical issues that should be considered as we prepare to vote in November. If you have missed any of these columns, his columns for September 9th, September 16th, and September 23rd can be found online at <http://www.archindy.org/archbishop/column/index.html>. I would encourage you to read and reflect on what the Archbishop has written and will write over the next several weeks.

In his first column, he wrote, “The bishops do not tell us whom to vote for, but they do advise us on the moral principles that must be applied to each major issue. Then it’s up to us to study the positions of candidates and the platforms of political parties, and determine where they stand in relationship to fundamental moral values.”

Monday, October 3, formerly the Feast of St. Therese, is now the Feast of St. Mother Theodore Guérin, the Principal Patroness of the Archdiocese of Indianapolis, our only Indiana saint. St. Mother Theodore founded the Sisters of Providence at St. Mary-of-the-Woods. Today is a day to pray for our Archdiocese and especially for the Sisters of Providence who continue her work. I am sure that many of you, especially those who are older, were taught by Sisters of Providence at some point in your education.

Tuesday, October 4, is the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi. Today is a day to pray for the Sisters of St. Francis, Oldenburg. The Sisters of St. Francis, Oldenburg, staffed Little Flower School from its beginning until approximately 1993 when Sr. Alice Ann retired from teaching. For almost 30 years, the entire faculty were Sisters of St. Francis, Oldenburg.

Wednesday, October 5, Little Flower will host a blood drive from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. in the school cafeteria. I would encourage those who are able to give blood to do so. The blood you give might actually save someone’s life.

I recently received a letter from Fr. Kevin Slattery of the Catholic Diocese of Jackson, Mississippi, thanking us for our generosity to the Mississippi Missions when Fr. Michael Surufka, O.F.M. was here in July. Fr. Slattery wrote, “Please be assured that their sacrificial offerings will be used wisely and well in our many missionary needs.”

Thank you for your generosity throughout the year not only to our parish but to all the other various collections that assist the missions or serve critical needs.

Thanks to all those who attended the Health Fair on Sunday, September 11. Special thanks to Peggy Clegg, Karen Lientz, Susie Malad, and BJ Schmidt who helped with the Health Fair. Finally, thanks to Community Hospital who provided the healthy snacks and water.

Finally, within the next couple of weeks, we are going to begin the RCIC, the Rite of Christian Initiation of Children. This is for children from third grade through high school who wish to become Catholic. If you or your children are interested, please contact Lisa Gibbons here in the Parish Center for more information by this Friday, October 7.

Have a wonderful week.

fr. bob



Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK OF October 3 - 9, 2016

03	October	Monday	5:30 p.m.	Deceased Members of the Little Flower St. Vincent de Paul Conference
04	October	Tuesday	5:30 p.m.	Dee Kammerling by Sandy Adkins
05	October	Wednesday	5:30 p.m.	Daniel & James Freeland by Carol Freeland
06	October	Thursday	5:30 p.m.	Edward Duncan by Maureen Duncan
07	October	Friday	8:30 a.m.	Elizabeth and Anthony Mauer
			5:30 p.m.	Communion Service
08	October	Saturday–Vigil of 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time	5:00 p.m.	George Haddin by Martha Haddin
09	October	Sunday – The 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time	8:30 a.m.	For the People
			10:30 a.m.	Don Johnson by Butch and Donna Brown
			6:00 p.m.	Tom O’Gara by Mary Catherine Sklipsky

The Week Ahead

October 2 - 9, 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 & Donuts
	Church	5:00 p.m.	Youth Choir Practice & sing at 6 p.m. Mass
	Duffey Hall	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation Intro Mtg
Monday	St. Patrick	4:30 p.m.	SVDP
	Scout Room	6:00 p.m.	Boy Scouts
Tuesday	St. Therese	9:30 a.m.	Legion of Mary
	St. Therese	7:00 p.m.	RCIA
	Church	7:00 p.m.	Choir
Wednesday	St. Patrick	9:30 a.m.	Bible Study
	Duffey Hall	3:00 p.m.	Blood Drive
	St. Therese	6:30 p.m.	Chess Practice
Thursday	Duffey Hall	7:00 p.m.	Ladies Club
	St. Therese	8:00 p.m.	AA
Saturday	St. Therese	7:07 a.m.	Men’s Prayer Group
	Parish Grounds	9:00 a.m.	Men’s Club Work Day
	Duffey Hall	7:00 p.m.	Middle School Dance
	Blood Pressure Checks after all Masses in the Gathering Area.		
Sunday	Church	8:30 a.m.	Children’s Liturgy
	Duffey Hall	9:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts
	St. Therese	1:30 p.m.	Franciscan Associates
	St. Therese	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation Team

**RCIARCIA
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Sessions for the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults are available to adults who want to learn more about the Catholic faith. Our next session will be on Tuesday, October 4, at 7 p.m. in the Parish Center. Our topic for the evening will be the “Explanation of the Mass.” Please join us!

Our Sympathy

We extend our condolences to *Ellen Cronin* on the death of her sister-in-law, **Patricia "Pat" Cronin**. Please keep all Pat's family and friends in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. May God welcome Pat into his eternal glory!

Ladies Club News

Have you ever wondered about your neighborhood? What was it like many years ago? Did someone famous live in your house? We will have a special presentation by author and former Little Flower member, Julie Young. **Eastside Pride: The History of our Neighborhoods**, a fun and interactive discussion of the neighborhoods around Little Flower, will begin at 7 p.m. on Thursday, **October 6** in Duffey Hall. Our business meeting and snacks will follow. If you've never attended a meeting before, this is your chance! We're hoping for a great turnout this month. Bring a friend! *Everyone is welcome to come to the presentation, even if you are not a member.*

Also, mark your calendars and get your ovens ready for baking! For the second time, the LFLC will be a vendor at the Irvington Halloween Festival. This is a big fundraiser for our Club and we need everyone to participate by baking, setting up, and/or working the booth.



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 24 & 25	\$	8,924.50
Electronic Contributions 9/19 & 9/21	\$	3,508.00
Fiscal Year 2016-2017 YTD Actual	\$	168,275.05
Fiscal Year 2016-2017 YTD Budget	\$	175,500.00
Fiscal Year 2016-2017 YTD DEFICIT	\$	- 6,724.95

Home Improvement Fund

June Contributions	\$	2,140.58
July Contributions	\$	1,980.83
August Contributions	\$	1,933.58
September Contributions (to date)	\$	2,041.08

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:

Theresa Lotz
853 N Butler Avenue, Indianapolis, IN 46219

YOUTH NEWS

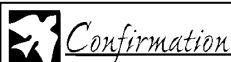
(grades 8 thru 12)

YOUTH CHOIR will sing at 6 p.m. Mass on Sunday, October 2. Please meet in church at 5 p.m.



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. Enrollment forms are due in by October 10.

The confirmation team (team only- NOT candidates) will meet in the Parish Center following the 6 p.m. Mass on Sunday October 9. Any confirmed high school students who are interested in helping on the confirmation team, please call Tom at 357-8352 or email tom@littleflowerparish.org.

TAKE NOTE: The next issue of the parish newsletter, "The Little Flower Garden", will distributed in mid-November. Any news or photos you have to share about Little Flower parishioners, ministries, and activities should be sent to the parish office (or dropped in the offering basket) by Thursday, October 20. You may also e-mail items to lfparishnews@yahoo.com or follow the link available on our website.



Little Flower Athletic News

CYO High School Boys Basketball signups are Monday, October 3 at 7:30 p.m. in the Little Flower Gymnasium. If you have any questions please contact LFAcathletics@gmail.com.

4th-8th grade Boys CYO Basketball Signups are now up and running. If your son is interested in participating, registration is up on orgsonline.com. The last day to sign up as well as try outs are on Monday, October 3 starting at 7:30 p.m. If you have any questions please contact LFAcathletics@gmail.com.

Discover Opportunities at Sccecina's Open House Oct. 13

Mark your calendars for Sccecina Memorial High School's Open House, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Thursday, October 13. This is a great opportunity for families to learn more about Sccecina, tour the building, and meet the talented and committed faculty and staff. Be among the first to see the newly renovated Sccecina library. You will discover opportunities inside and outside the classroom at Sccecina! Register for Open House at www.sccecina.org/openhouse and visit on Oct. 13 for a chance to win a \$3,000 scholarship.

Sccecina's Sacred Music Concert Oct. 10

Sccecina Memorial High School's Advanced Mixed Chorus and Instrumental Ensemble present the third annual Sacred Music Concert at 7 p.m. Monday, October 10, at Holy Spirit Catholic Church. The concert is free and open to the public. Enjoy an evening of music that will induce a sense of prayer, peace and serenity amid the chaos of today's world.



Halloween is right around the corner! Your help is needed in order to make the parish **Halloween Bash on Monday, October 31, from 6-8 p.m.** a success. Donations of individually wrapped candy treats are requested. Please leave your donation at the parish center, at school, or in the collection containers that will be available at the church doors beginning next weekend. We are in need of people to help with games and with passing out candy. On the job training available!! Please contact Peggy Clegg at pclegg@littleflowerparish.org or 357- 8352, if you are willing to help out.

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