



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.

When they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of Gold
 & Frankincense
 Myrrh
 Matthew 2:11



Dear Parish Family,

Today we celebrate the Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord, Jesus' manifestation to the Gentiles. Today's Solemnity reminds us that God's gift of his Son was a gift to all peoples. As Catholics, therefore, we believe that God desires the salvation of all people.

Because Christmas fell on Sunday this year, we will celebrate the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord this Monday, January 9. Monday, then, will mark the conclusion of the liturgical season of Christmas. Ordinary Time begins on Tuesday, and the liturgical color returns to green.

During Christmas, two areas of ministry are at the heart of our parish life: our liturgical ministries and our community outreach ministries.

Thank you to everyone who worked so hard to make our Christmas Liturgies beautiful and vibrant celebrations of faith, love, and worship. Likewise, I would especially like to thank the Saint Vincent de Paul Society and the Gabriel Project and everyone who brought Giving Tree Gifts for those in need in our community or baby gifts for those served by the Gabriel Project. Our community outreach ministries are outgrowths and extensions of our Liturgy.

At all the Masses last weekend, I asked the servers if they noticed anything different in church. Most did not. Did you? The large speaker cabinets for the old organ have been removed from the former sanctuary. Thanks to Steve Clegg, Dan Mages, and Rick Fisher who took them down from the walls with some occasional help from Joe Dippel, who was painting the sacristy. I hope you will agree the former sanctuary looks a lot better without them.

At weekday Masses, the only church door that is unlocked is the east door, i.e., the door nearest the rectory. Sometimes parishioners who do not regularly attend weekday Masses forget this and go around the church trying all the doors. Also, if you have scheduled a Mass and have invited family or friends who are not parishioner, please let them know which door to enter.

Finally, on a personal note, if I missed sending a thank you note to anyone who gave me a Christmas gift, I apologize. I think if you ask most pastors who "taught" them how to be pastors, it was the pastors of their home parishes and the pastors whom they served under as associates. Fr. Jim Moriarty, with whom I lived at St. Matthew from 1980-1985, always emphasized the importance of thank you notes.

Have a wonderful week.

fr. bob

Adoration Chapel

As we enter a new year, we all look at our lives & reflect on changes we might make to improve ourselves mentally or physically. I suggest we improve spiritually through time spent in adoration of Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament chapel. There are many open hours; I am sure we can find one perfect for you. If interested, please contact Bobbie Lawless @ [317 727 2395](tel:3177272395). May God richly bless you in the New Year.



Liturgy Intentions For The Week

FOR THE WEEK OF January 9 - 15, 2017

09	January	Monday	5:30 p.m.	Don Johnson by Carol Freeland
10	January	Tuesday	5:30 p.m.	Bonnie Weimer by Ron and Diane Sharp
11	January	Wednesday	5:30 p.m.	Deceased members of the Lawless, Waller, Moody, and Bear Families by Bob and Bobbie Lawless
12	January	Thursday	5:30 p.m.	Communion Service
13	January	Friday	8:30 a.m.	Jim Clifford by Mary Kay Becker
			5:30 p.m.	Communion Service
14	January	Saturday– Anticipation of the 2 nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	5:00 p.m.	Philip Stringfellow by Jerry and Joan Bullock
15	January	Sunday – The 2 nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	8:30 a.m.	Maurice Buechlein by Pam and Jesse Bolte
			10:30 a.m.	Pat Gandolph by the Ladies Club
			6:00 p.m.	For the People

The Week Ahead

January 8 - 15, 2017

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
	St. Therese	1:30 p.m.	Franciscan Associates
	Parish Center	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation Prep
Monday	Scout Room	6:00 p.m.	Cub Scouts
	St. Patrick	6:30 p.m.	SVDP
	Duffey Hall	7:00 p.m.	Men's Club
Tuesday	St. Therese	9:30 a.m.	Legion of Mary
	Scout Room	6:30 p.m.	Girl Scouts #2441
	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	RCIA
	John 23 rd	7:00 p.m.	RCIC
	Church	7:00 p.m.	Adult Choir
Wednesday	Gym	7:30 p.m.	LFAC
	Scout Room	6:00 p.m.	Girl Scouts #2443
	St. Therese	6:00 p.m.	Respect Life
	St. Therese	7:00 p.m.	Men's #3 CRHP
	John 23 rd	7:00 p.m.	PTO
Thursday	St. Patrick	6:30 p.m.	Bible Study
	St. Therese	8:00 p.m.	AA
Saturday	St. Therese	7:07 a.m.	Men's Prayer Group
		9:00 a.m.	Men's Clean-Up Day
	Duffey Hall	7:00 p.m.	Middle School Dance
	Blood Pressure Check after all Masses		
Sunday	Church	8:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy
	Church	8:30 a.m.	First Communion Rite of Enrollment
	Duffey Hall	9:00 a.m.	Pancake Breakfast
	School	9:30 a.m.	Religious Ed
	Church	7:00 p.m.	Youth Choir Practice

The parish office will be closed on Monday, January 16, in recognition of Martin Luther King Day.



We remember **Frances Mahin** who passed away on December 25 and whose funeral liturgy was celebrated here on December 31. We extend our condolences to **Cathy Mears** on the death of her husband, **Jack Mears**, who passed away on December 29 and whose funeral liturgy was celebrated here on January 3. Jack's son, **Jerry Mears** is also a parishioner at Little Flower and we extend our sympathy to him as well. Jack was 83 years young and a long time parishioner. When his health was better Jack helped keep our parish grounds looking nice and also would take our bulk mailings to the post office! Please keep all of these families in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. May God welcome Frances and Jack into his eternal glory.

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:

Isabella Mathias

8809 Madison Avenue Apt 305B, Indianapolis, IN 46227

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

Weekly Budget Goal	\$	13,500.00
Collection of December 31/January 1	\$	8,704.51
Electronic Contributions 12/26- 12/30	\$	5,915.50
Fiscal Year 2016-2017 YTD Actual	\$	352,350.01
Fiscal Year 2016-2017 YTD Budget	\$	364,500.00
Fiscal Year 2016-2017 YTD DEFICIT	\$	- 12,149.99

Home Improvement Fund

October Contributions	\$	2,187.53
November Contributions	\$	1,892.58
December Contributions	\$	1,682.33
January Contributions (to date)	\$	594.50

UNITED CATHOLIC APPEAL

(gifts processed as of 12/15)

The Archdiocesan United Catholic Appeal, Christ Our Hope, has been going on for about six weeks, and as you can see we are still almost \$5,000 short of our goal. Will you please consider helping us reach our goal? You should have received our intention card in the mail, but there are extras available at the church doors. If you have not yet turned your card in, please do so as soon as possible. You may place them in the regular collection, or mail them to the Archdiocese in the envelope provided. Please be as generous as possible to help our parish meet our goal. The United Catholic Appeal funds many shared ministries from which all parishes benefit.

Parish Goal	\$39,250.00
# of gifts received or pledged	139
Amount Gifts received or pledged	\$34,592.00



Looking for something to do this winter? The Little Flower Athletic Commission is looking for volunteers to help plan this year's Reverse Raffle which is scheduled for Saturday, April 29, 2017.

This is a fun time had by all, especially with your help. All proceeds from the reverse raffle help support the efforts of Little Flower Athletics. Please contact Sarah Stevenson at LFACathletics@gmail.com or 317-946-3194 for more information.

Thank you:

This bulletin is furnished to the Parish without charge.

The advertisements that appear completely defray all publishing costs with which the church would otherwise be burdened. Please patronize these sponsors as a thank you for their kind generosity.



On Sunday, January 15, 2017, the children of our parish who are in 2nd grade, and making their First Eucharist this Spring, will participate in the Rite of Enrollment at the 8:30 a.m. Mass. At this rite they will be called by name and gather around the altar with their parents as their names are enrolled as candidates for First Eucharist. Please keep these families and children in your prayers during the coming months.



Candidates and team will gather for their fourth session on Sunday, January 8 at 7:00 P.M. in the parish center. The meeting will conclude at 9:00 P.M.

YOUTH NEWS

(grades 8 thru 12)

YOUTH CHOIR - new members are always welcome!

Sunday, January 15: Practice in Church 7:00 p.m. until 8:15 p.m.

Sunday, January 22: Sing at 6:00 p.m. Mass-meet at 5:00 p.m. in church.

then.....no commitment until practice on February 19!

TAKE NOTE:

The next issue of the parish newsletter, "The Little Flower Garden", will be distributed in mid-February. 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, January 19. You may also e-mail items to lfparishnews@yahoo.com or follow the link available on our website.



Join the Little Flower PTO next weekend, Jan 15, for a Pancake Breakfast. Serving will be from 9 a.m. to noon in the social hall. Details are available at all church doors. Thanks for supporting the Little Flower PTO.

Annual financial statements will be prepared and mailed no later than January 25. Statements for Christ our Hope United Catholic Appeal will be mailed by the Archdiocese. Statements for donations to the capital campaign and school annual fund will be separate from the statements for regular parish donations.

CYO Wrestling

Visit www.orgsonline.com to complete the registration process (school code: 1710LLS - IN).

Official practices are set to begin Monday, January 9, 2017 in Scecina's wrestling room per the schedule below:

Kindergarten thru 2nd Grade: Tuesday & Thursday from 6:00 to 7:15

3rd & 4th Grade: Monday & Wednesday from 6:00 to 7:15

Cadet (5th thru 8th Grade): Monday thru Friday from 7:15 to 8:30

For more information email ourladyoflourdeswrestling@gmail.com or contact Pat McNulty at 317-727-9232.



2017 Little Flower Kindergarten-3rd Grade Girls and Boys Basketball Intramurals

Registration will occur during the Little Flower Open House on Sunday, January 29, 2017 from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the Cafeteria. The Intramural Basketball League is for grades Kindergarten thru 3rd Grade (Boys and Girls) and will run from February 19 thru March 26, 2017. The cost is \$30.00 per child, due at time of registration. Questions can be directed to Mike Battles at 538-3078 or mabattles@tcco.com.



CHRISTMAS FLOWER MEMORIALS



The Parish gratefully acknowledges all those who donated poinsettias
in honor of loved ones for our use in Christmas decorating.

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URGENT REQUEST

If you plan to volunteer in any capacity at this year's summer festival, we need your help now! In order to comply with State Gaming Commission requirements, we need to provide a complete list of volunteer information. Please send your birth date, driver's license number, and daytime phone number by email to sclegg@littleflowerparish.org. Please title the e-mail Festival Worker Information. If you submitted this information last year we still have it on file. IF NOT, PLEASE SEND IT RIGHT AWAY SO WE CAN GET THE NECESSARY PAPERWORK FILED. *If you are not sure if you submitted it previously, please send now it so we can make sure you are on the list.* It is better that we receive it twice than not at all. If you do not have email, you may write down the information and leave it at the parish office or place it in the collection basket. **THANK YOU IN ADVANCE!**

SUMMERFEST 2017 – June 2, 3, and 4 – Mark your calendars now!

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