

# ST. THERESE - LITTLE FLOWER

### ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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"Hosanna to the Son of David; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord: hosanna in the highest." Matthew 21:9



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#### SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Saturday: 5:00 PM

8:30 AM, 10:30 AM, 6:00 PM Sunday: Weekdays and Holy Days: Check inside the bulletin for schedule.

Communion Services

At-Large Member

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 Secretary Available 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM PARISH CENTER 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

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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 set that class arrangements may be made. 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

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 pacific paris in admitted. 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 Palm Sunday, the beginning of Holy Week. Today we celebrate Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem.

Holy Week is the most sacred week of the church year. I want to encourage all of you to attend as many of the Holy Week services as possible. Please check the complete schedule elsewhere in the bulletin.

The Archdiocesan Chrism Mass will be Tuesday, April 11, at 2 p.m. at the Cathedral. Bishop William Higi, the retired bishop of Lafayette, will bless the holy oils that will be used for the next year, and the priests of the Archdiocese will renew their commitment to the

priesthood and priestly service in the Archdiocese.

Holy Thursday celebrates Jesus' Last Supper with his apostles at which he instituted the sacraments of Eucharist and Holy Orders and washed their feet. Our 7:00 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper includes the Presentation of the Oils, the Washing of the Feet, the Commissioning of Eucharistic Ministers, the transfer of the Eucharist to the altar of reposition, and the stripping of the altar and sanctuary. The Entrance Procession will include our Elect, our First Communion candidates, our Confirmation candidates, and our Eucharistic Ministers.

Our Holy Thursday Liturgy will be preceded by a Soup Supper in Duffey Hall at 5:30 p.m. and followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 9:15 p.m. Adoration will conclude with Night Prayer at 9:15 p.m.

The Blessed Sacrament Chapel will be closed from before the Holy Thursday Liturgy until after the 10:30 a.m. Mass on Easter Sunday.

Good Friday commemorates Jesus' Passion and Death. Our 7:00 p.m. Celebration of the Lord's Passion will include the Liturgy of the Word, the Veneration of the Cross, and Holy Communion. There is no Mass on Good Friday. Living Stations of the Cross will be celebrated at 8:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. on Good Friday. Good Friday is a day of fast and abstinence.

On **Holy Saturday**, we will celebrate the **Easter Vigil at 8:00 p.m.** Our Liturgy will include the Service of Light with the blessing of the new fire and the Paschal Candle, the Liturgy of the Word, the Liturgy of Christian Initiation, and the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

At the Easter Vigil, nine of our Elect will be baptized, confirmed and receive First Communion, and one will be received into the Church, confirmed, and receive First Communion. In addition, one already baptized Catholic will receive First Eucharist and be confirmed. Four are adults, two are high students, and five are in grades 4 through 8. It would be a wonderful thing if a large number of our parishioners were here to celebrate with them.

Lenten promises should be kept until after the Easter Vigil!

The reason many people give for not attending these Liturgies is their length. Actually, neither the Holy Thursday nor the Good Friday Liturgy takes more than 1 hour and 15 minutes. Last year the Holy Saturday Liturgy lasted less than 2 hours.

Easter Sunday Masses will be at 8:30 and 10:30 a.m. There will be NO 6:00 p.m. Mass. There is NO 5:00 p.m. Mass on Holy Saturday. Also, there will be NO confessions on Holy Saturday.

The parish office and Little Flower Catholic School will be closed on Monday, April 17.

Finally, special thanks to the Men's Club, especially Drew Torzewski, for assuming responsibility for the Fish Frys and thanks to all the regular volunteers, all the weekly volunteers, all those who attended, and all those who invited and encouraged others to attend.

Have a blessed Holy Week.

fr. bob

If you have forgotten to return your Baby Bank to church this weekend, please do not return it on Easter. Please bring it to the parish center or to church on the weekend of April 22-23. Please return the banks even if they are empty to save the cost of replacing them for next year.

The Adventuresome Group will meet on Wednesday, April 12, following the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Sr. Ann Patrice Papesh from Our Lady of Grace Monastery will be speaking about the Triduum. Please mark your calendar and plan on attending. You may call the parish center to let us know you are coming.



#### **Easter Egg Hunt**

The Little Flower Athletic Commission invites all parish children pre-school through age 9 to participate in the annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 15, 2017. The Easter Bunny

will arrive at 9:50 a.m. and we will be searching the Parish grounds starting at 10 a.m.

The month of **APRIL** is **"PARISH MONTH"** at **ANGEL'S CORNER CATHOLIC GIFT SHOP**. Located at 2316 E. Southport Road, across from Long's Bakery. April is a great time to buy First Communion, Confirmation, and Wedding gifts. Mention Little Flower and 10% of the sale on all regular stocked items will be donated to us!



#### FOR THE WEEK OF April 10-16, 2017

10 April	Monday
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5:30 p.m. Communion Service

**Tuesday** 11 April

> 2:00 p.m. Chrism Mass at Sts. Peter and Paul Cathedral

5:30 p.m. Communion Service

12 April Wednesday

> 11:00 a.m. Pat Gandolph by Bob & Mary Sitzman

Communion Service 5:30 p.m.

13 April **Thursday** 

> 5:30 p.m. No Communion Service 7:00 p.m. Orry Downs by Teresa Kenney

Friday - Passion of the Lord 14 April

8:30 a.m. Living Stations of the Cross Living Stations of the Cross 1:00 p.m. No Communion Service 5:30 p.m.

Celebration of the Lord's Passion 7:00 p.m.

15 April Saturday-Vigil of Easter

> 5:00 p.m. No Mass 8:00 p.m. For the People

16 April Sunday - Easter Resurrection of the Lord

> 8:30 a.m. Renate Vogel by the Eskew Family 10:30 a.m. Jack Mears by Kurt Schnell

6:00 p.m. No Mass

### THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

#### April 9 - 16, 2017

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP	
Sunday	Baby Banks drop-off at all Masses			
	Blood Pressure Check after all Masses in Gathering Area			
	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	
Monday	Scout Room	6:00 p.m.	Cub Scout	
	St. Therese	6:30 p.m.	Resisting Happiness	
			Book Discussion	
	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	
	Church	7:00 p.m.	Choir	
	Gym	7:30 p.m.	Athletic Commission	
Wednesday	Church/PC	11:00 a.m.	Adventuresome Group	
Thursday	Holy Thursday			
	Duffey Hall	5:30 p.m.	Soup Supper	
	St. Therese	8:00 p.m.	AA	
Friday	Good Friday			
	Parish Office closes at Noon			
Saturday	St. Therese	7:07 a.m.	Men's Prayer Group	
	Parish	9:50 a.m.	Easter Egg Hunt	
	Grounds			
Sunday	Happy Easter!			

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: John Sinclair, Westminster Village

11050 Presbyterian Drive, Indianapolis, IN 46236

#### **Eucharistic Ministers and Altar Servers**

#### THE NEXT MINISTER SCHEDULE WILL BE FOR JUNE, JULY, AUGUST 2017

Please look at your calendar and let us know when you cannot be scheduled. Many people take vacations during the summer months and we would like to have sufficient coverage. Please send us the dates you will not be available by May 8.

- Eucharistic Ministers: contact Ron Sharp at duvkote@aol.com or leave a message 317-356-3488.
- Servers: contact Lisa Gibbons at lgibbons@littleflowerpairsh.org or 317-658-6550.

#### Little Flower Athletic Commission Reverse Raffle! Saturday, April 29, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

#### Silent Auction items and a chance to win \$1000!

Tickets are \$30 each, which includes dinner. You must be 21 years or older. If you would like to purchase tickets please contact Sarah Stevenson at 317-946-3194 or <a href="mailto:lfacathletics@gmail.com">lfacathletics@gmail.com</a>. All proceeds help purchase athletic equipment and uniforms. Permit #143496

### **IMPORTANT**

### Little Flower

#### **Preschool News** NOTICE Little Flower preschool has been accredited by

Advanc-Ed and we are now eligible to accept students with On My Way Pre-K and IndyPSP grants. On My Way Pre-K applications are now available for grants to eligible children who will be 4 years old, but not yet 5 years old on August 1, 2017, and will be attending kindergarten in the 2018-19 school year. These grants will be good for pre-K programs starting in August 2017.

For families who live in Marion County, grants are also available for children who will be 3 years old on August 1, 2017, through Indy Preschool Scholarship Program (IndyPSP) grants. The same application can be used for both On My Way Pre-K and IndyPSP grants. If you live in Marion County go to https://prek.carefinderindiana.org/MarionLottery/Default.aspx

For more information on this program go to http://www.in.gov/fssa/4944.htm

Of course, our goal is to always provide the first opportunities for admission to Little Flower Catholic School to parishioners and siblings of current students. Registration needs to take place as soon as possible because we expect preschool classes to fill much sooner than in years past.

The parish newsletter, "The Little TAKE NOTE: Flower Garden", will be out mid-May. 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 April 20. You may also e-mail items to Ifparishnews@yahoo.com



Confirmation candidates will be in the opening procession for Mass on Holy Thursday evening. Please meet in the gathering area at 6:45 p.m. All are

welcome at the soup supper in Duffey Hall from 5:30 p.m. until 6:30 p.m.

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

Weekly Budget Goal	\$ 13,500.00
Collection of April 1 and 2	\$ 9,602.01
Electronic Contributions 3/27 – 3/31	\$ 1,628.00
Fiscal Year 2016-2017 YTD Actual	\$ 523,583.34
Fiscal Year 2016-2017 YTD Budget	\$ 540,000.00
Fiscal Year 2016-2017 YTD DEFICIT	\$ - 16,416.66

#### Home Improvement Fund

February Contributions 1,815.58 March Contributions 2,120.83 April Contributions (to date) 794.50

#### UNITED CATHOLIC APPEAL

(gifts processed as of 3/30/17)

The Archdiocesan United Catholic Appeal, Christ Our Hope, has been going on for about twelve weeks. We are currently nearly \$5,200 short of our goal and only 17% of parish households have participated! The Archdiocese will soon begin follow up with those who have not responded. Will you please consider helping us reach our goals? You should have received your 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

Parish Goal	\$39,250.00
# of gifts received or pledged	157
Amount Gifts received or pledged	\$34,084.00

If you did not return your annual stewardship intention card this weekend, please return it as soon as possible. Extra cards are available at the church doors if needed. Thank You!

#### Scecina's Mulch Sale helps student-athletes

Please consider buying your mulch and potting mix this year from Scecina Memorial High School. The mulch and potting mix are premium products that are delivered free to your home or business. The deadline to order is April 17 and delivery will be April 22. Proceeds benefit Crusader athletics. Order at scecina.org/mulch. Or look for order forms in the back of church.

#### **HOLY WEEK / EASTER SCHEDULE**

April 13 Holy Thursday Soup Supper-Duffey Hall: 5:30-6:30 p.m.

> Mass of the Lord's Supper commissioning of all Eucharistic

Ministers at 7:00 p.m.

April 14 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.

School dismissal at 11:00 a.m. **Parish Office closes at Noon** 

April 15 Holy Saturday April 16 Easter Sunday

Easter Vigil at 8:00 p.m.

Masses at 8:30 a.m., and 10:30 a.m.

April 17 Easter Monday **Parish office and School Closed** 

# Easter Triduum



(grades 8 thru 12)

Sunday, April 16: Youth choir will NOT practice on EASTER!



We currently have an opening for a full time custodian to do cleaning and light maintenance in the school building on Monday Friday through evenings from approximately 3 p.m. until 11:30 p.m. Applicant

must be motivated to work, for the most part independently. Applicant must be able to do heavy custodial work, with some use of equipment for floor cleaning. 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. This position is full time with health insurance available. No phone calls please!

#### **FESTIVAL NEWS**

SUMMERFEST 2017 – June 2nd, 3rd, and 4th

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Our next leadership team meeting is on Monday, April 24 at 7 p.m.

Rummage Sale donations - Last year the Rummage Sale earned over \$3,000.00 - but this is all dependent on your donations. The final drop off for your donations is at the cafeteria entrance to the social hall (door #6) between 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. on Saturday, April 29. We need your good used items for our rummage sale. WE ARE ACCEPTING GOOD, CLEAN, CHILDREN'S CLOTHES, but no adult clothing. We will be able to accept larger furniture, but not until immediately prior to the festival. Please NO TVs, video players, electronics, or computers. We also need good, used **books.** Call Sharon Rocchio with questions – 525-6237.

Again this year we will have a beautiful piece of stained glass art that is unique and one of a kind and valued at over \$900.00. We need people who are willing to promote this on their Facebook page or send an email to their contacts to help promote these \$1.00 tickets. You do NOT have to collect any money or do anything else. Just a few minutes of your time are needed to help this to be a big success. CAN YOU HELP? If so, email Steve Wright at trading915@ aol.com and about the second week of April he will send you a picture and a script. We need you in order for this to be a big success. 100% of the proceeds go to the Little Flower Festival!!

SPONSORSHIPS ARE CRITICAL TO THE SUCCESS OF THE FESTIVAL, AND WE NEED YOUR HELP! Businesses will benefit by special signage and announcements throughout the festival acknowledging their sponsorship. Business sponsorships start at \$250.00 and higher levels are also available with more benefits. If you know of someone who might be interested in this opportunity, ask them to call Tom at the parish center. If you prefer, you can leave their name and address for Tom and he will mail information to them. Our best chance of getting new sponsors will be you asking them to help!

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.



# SOUP SUPPR



Holy Thursday, April 13 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. In Duffey Hall (School Cafeteria)



Soup, salad, bread, desserts, drinks, and tableware provided. There will also be hot dogs!

Don't miss out on this opportunity to "break bread" with your fellow parishioners

Mass to follow at 7:00 p.m.



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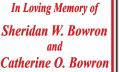
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