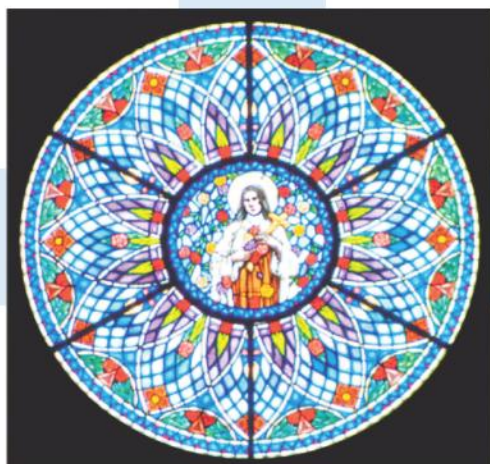


First Holy Communion

ST. TERESE - 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 want to welcome all of our visitors to our 10:30 a.m. First Communion Liturgy.

Congratulations to our 21 First Communicants:

Mason Anderson	Cody Fuhrman	Ethan Nixon
Sophia Arellano	Lola Hoyt	Ania Raines
Tristan Brown	Jose Irene-Nunez	Olivia Ringer
Luke Bruno	Jake Laverty-Lee	Payton Ringer
Cameron Camper	Colette Leffler	Sabastian Rodriguez
Gavin Connel	Cecilia Lyons	Christopher Rodriguez
Kaiden Cunningham	David Moreno-Jerez	Andi Stayton

Special thanks to the First Communion coordinator Lisa Gibbons and catechists Kelly Dunn and Jenny Johnson. Thanks to the Parish Life Commission for providing the lunch for the First Communicants last Sunday after their practice. Special thanks to Peggy Clegg and Karen Leintz for hosting the lunch.

A very special thanks to David Leszczynski who every year designs and decorates our Paschal Candle. Every year he creates a new design. If you have not looked at the design of this year's Paschal Candle, I invite you to do so.

Have a wonderful week.

fr. bob

**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](tel:317-356-3488).
- Altar Servers: contact Lisa Gibbons at lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org or 317-658-6550.

**RETURN****How to Draw Your Child Back to the Church**

The "invite" Committee will once again present this popular series on May 11, 18, and 25, in the Parish Center. Learn how to prepare yourself prayerfully, talk with your adult children, address objections, and equip yourself through a series of videos by Brandon Vogt. Groups meet from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Please call Cindy Woods (317-408-6396) or email woodsycww@yahoo.com with questions and to make a reservation. Book and materials included at no charge.



The final meeting, **WITH SPONSORS** will be Sunday, May 7. We will begin with 6 p.m. Mass for candidates, parents, and sponsors, followed by our final meeting for candidates and sponsors in the parish center from 7 p.m. until 9 p.m. on that same evening.

If you have forgotten to return your Baby Bank, please return it to the parish center as soon as possible. Please return the banks even if they are empty to save the cost of replacing them for next year.

Ladies Club Meeting

Thursday, May 4, Ladies Club meeting and pitch-in at 7 p.m. in Duffey Hall. This is the last meeting until we resume in September. Please join us.

FOR THE WEEK OF May 1 – 7, 2017

01	May	Monday
	5:30 p.m.	Mary Lee by the Lee Family
02	May	Tuesday
	5:30 p.m.	Dan Freeland by the Freeland Family
03	May	Wednesday
	5:30 p.m.	Mary Brattain by Ladies Club
04	May	Thursday
	5:30 p.m.	Jim Clifford by Donna Clifford
05	May	Friday
	8:30 a.m.	Jean Miller by Don & Cecile Ditlinger
	5:30 p.m.	Communion Service
06	May	Saturday-Vigil of the 4th Sunday of Easter
	5:00 p.m.	Jack Mears by Jim & Loretta Miller
07	May	Sunday – Forth Sunday of Easter
	8:30 a.m.	Barbara Elliott by Butch & Donna Brown
	10:30 a.m.	Orry Downs by Teresa Kenney
	6:00 p.m.	For the People

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

April 30-May 7, 2017

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP
Sunday	Church	8:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy
	Church	10:30 a.m.	First Communion
Monday			
Tuesday	St. Therese	9:30 a.m.	Legion of Mary
	Church	7:00 p.m.	Choir
Wednesday	St. Patrick	9:30 a.m.	Bible Study
	Duffey Hall	3:00 p.m.	Blood Drive
	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	School Commission
Thursday	Scout Room	3:00 p.m.	Daisy Troop #3643
	Scout Room	6:00 p.m.	Brownies #3643
	Duffey Hall	7:00 p.m.	Ladies Club
	St. Therese	8:00 p.m.	AA
Friday	Church	8:30 a.m.	May Crowning
	Gym	7:00 p.m.	Spring Musical
Saturday	St. Therese	7:07 a.m.	Men's Prayer Group
	St. Jerome	9:00 a.m.	Gabriel Project
	Parking Lot	12:00 p.m.	Ladies Club Bedding Plants Pick-Up
	Gym	7:00 p.m.	Spring Musical
Sunday	Church	8:30 a.m.	First Communion Rite of Going Forth
	Church	8:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy
	Duffey Hall	9:30 a.m.	Coffee & Donuts
	Church	6:00 p.m.	Confirmation Rite of Sending
	Parish Center	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation Prep



Little Flower's spring blood drive is Wednesday, May 3, from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in the School Cafeteria/Duffey Hall. Please consider donating. You may sign up on line at www.indianablood.org or by contacting Peggy Clegg at 357-8352 or pclegg@littleflowerparish.org. Walk-ins are also welcomed! Thank you for giving the gift of life!

SAVE THE DATE

COMING UP

The next Adventuresome Group meeting is Wednesday, May 10, following the 11:00 a.m. Mass. This month we have been invited to another Lunch and Learn at Holy Spirit. The topic is "What it Means to be Catholic." We will carpool to Holy Spirit following Mass. Lunch begins at Noon at Holy Spirit with the presentation to follow. Please call or email Peggy Clegg at 357-8352 or pclegg@littleflowerparish if you plan on attending.



Ever want to trade places with the dealer at your favorite casino ? Or just interested in how it all works ? The Monte Carlo tent at the Little Flower festival is in need of workers for Friday, June 2 and Saturday, June 3! No background in Blackjack required, just a desire to help the parish! Let us know if you need a refresher course or learning the game on day # 1 (we have all been there !) Contact Bill Schlosser 317-408-9869 wpsbuffett@yahoo.com.

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

Weekly Budget Goal	\$ 13,500.00
Collection of April 22 and 23	\$ 10,079.00
Electronic Contributions 4/17 - 4/21	\$ 7,120.00
Fiscal Year 2016-2017 YTD Actual	\$ 569,403.57
Fiscal Year 2016-2017 YTD Budget	\$ 580,500.00
Fiscal Year 2016-2017 YTD DEFICIT	\$ - 11,096.43

Home Improvement Fund

February Contributions	\$ 1,815.58
March Contributions	\$ 2,120.83
April Contributions (to date)	\$ 1,612.08

STEWARDSHIP INTENTION CARDS

Intention Sunday was five weeks ago and to date we have only received 229 intention cards back in the parish center. This means only 24% of our families have taken the few minutes necessary to fill out and return their cards. **WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO DO SIGNIFICANTLY BETTER THAN THIS! PLEASE.....**If you have not returned your annual stewardship intention card, please do so as soon as possible. Extra cards are available at the church doors if needed.

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:

Harry and Betty Heidleberger
1309 N Parker Avenue, Indianapolis, IN 46201

YOUTH NEWS

(grades 8 thru 12)

Sunday, May 7: Youth choir will sing at 6 p.m. Mass, meeting in church at 5 p.m.

Special Event

Little Flower Spring Musical

Join us Friday, May 5 and/or Saturday, May 6 at 7:00 PM in the gymnasium for Little Flower's Spring Musical and Travel down the rabbit hole and join Alice, one of literature's most beloved heroines, in her madcap adventures. Featuring updated songs from Disney's thrilling animated motion picture, Disney's Alice in Wonderland JR. is a fast-paced take on the classic tale. Any students 1st grade and older must purchase a ticket. Tickets are \$6 for general admission. First four rows reserved seating are \$8. Family admission is \$15. Advance tickets sold through the school office. Walk up tickets (general admission only) available at the door. Make checks payable to Little Flower.

**SUMMERFEST 2017
June 2, June 3, and June 4
FESTIVAL NEWS**

RAFFLE! Please do your best to turn in as many tickets as possible. Extras are available at all the church doors. The raffle has potential to bring money in from outside the parish and that is always very helpful. Because the raffle is so important to our success we are going to provide weekly updates on where we stand. We hope you will help us meet our goal!

Last year raffle sales totaled \$28,552.00. Our goal this year is to sell as many tickets as we did last year. It will take a lot of effort to match last year's results. This include all tickets sold prior to and during the festival.

Total tickets sold as of 4/18/17	\$ 1,595.00
Same time last year	\$ 850.00
Goal	\$ 28,552.00
If only 1/2 of our households turned in \$100 in tickets	\$ 46,000.00

Again this year we will have a beautiful piece of stain 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 e-mail 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 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!!

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 at 544-0473, or Rosemary Armour at 372-5513

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. **SPONSORSHIP DEADLINE EXTENDED TO MAY 5TH.**

Festival T Shirt order form was in last weekend's bulletin and are at the church doors. **THE ORDER DEADLINE IS MAY 8th.** Don't miss out! You may return to the parish center this week, or in next weekend's collection. You might recall in past years we have run our early! Pre-ordering will insure that you get yours!

On the weekends of May 6/7 and 13/14 you will have the opportunity to sign up to volunteer for SUMMERFEST. Check the sign-up sheets in the gathering area after all Masses on those two weekends.

YARD SIGNS - DO YOU LIVE ON A BUSY STREET? Call Jeannie or B.J. at the Parish Center at 357-8352 if you are willing to display a yard sign advertising the festival. Please call the parish center even if you had a sign last year, so we know it is OK to place one in your yard again

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