

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.



Dear Parish Family,

Today, the Fourth Sunday of Easter, has been designated the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Today we pray for vocations the permanent diaconate, the priesthood, and religious life. However, it is not enough that we pray for vocations. When I was in school, vocations to priesthood and religious life were talked about and encouraged by families and schools. I know that I do not do enough to encourage young people to consider vocations to priesthood, religious life, and the permanent diaconate. Do you?

Saturday, May 13, is the feast of Our Lady of Lourdes and the 100th anniversary of Mary's first apparition at Fatima. According to the *Ordo*, "The message of Fatima includes a call to conversion of heart, repentance from sin, and prayer, especially the Rosary." Also, on May 13, Pope Francis will canonize Francisco and Jacinta Marto, two of the little shepherds who witnessed the apparitions of Fatima. They will be the youngest, non-martyr canonized saints in the history of the Catholic Church.

Our Sunday morning parish religious education program for grade school students attending public schools runs from late August until late April. This year's program ended on Sunday, April 23. Special thanks to our Sunday morning religious education teachers:

Kindergarten & 1st grade
2nd grade
3rd & 4th grades
5th & 6th grades
7th & 8th grades

Ann Schlosser
Kelly Dunn
Jennifer Hammond
Sayra Perez
Dominic Nevins

There will be some significant changes coming to the festival this year. Last year on Friday night of the festival, we experienced some disruptive behavior. Although no one was injured, some of our attendees were frightened by what took place. Considerable East District Police resources were tied up while attending to the issue here at the festival. We had to spend significantly more on security over the next two days than we normally would have. Also, the situation could have become even more problematic than it was.

We recognize the fact that our primary goal is to provide a safe, fun, and community-building experience for our neighborhood and our parish. After careful consideration, consultation with law enforcement, and consultation with other parishes who have experienced similar situations, we will be making significant changes this year.

*These changes will be significant and will require patience and understanding during implementation. The changes will be published over the coming weeks as we work out all the details. In all likelihood, a purchase of tickets that can be used for food and drinks once on the grounds will be required in order to enter the grounds. **Provisions will be made so that parishioners will be able to bypass this requirement.** We will most definitely implement stricter controls for access to the festival grounds by unaccompanied minors. PLEASE BE PATIENT WITH US AS THESE CHANGES ARE BEING IMPLEMENTED TO CREATE A SAFER ENVIRONMENT FOR EVERYONE!*

Have a wonderful week.

fr. bob



Parish Grounds Cleanup and Mulch

We will have a cleanup day and put down new mulch on Saturday May 13. We will begin at 8 a.m. and go until complete. If you have yard tools (shovels, rakes, brooms, wheel barrels please bring them. Donuts and drinks provided. Many hands make light work. All are welcome.



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.

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 **Monday, May 8.**

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

FOR THE WEEK OF May 8 – 14, 2017

08	May	Monday
	5:30 p.m.	Norbert Mauer
09	May	Tuesday
	5:30 p.m.	Delia Gilday
10	May	Wednesday
	11:00 a.m.	Darlene Mendenhall by Robert & Mary Stizman
	5:30 p.m.	Communion Service
11	May	Thursday
	5:30 p.m.	Pat Gandolph by Ed & Peggy Fowley
12	May	Friday
	8:30 a.m.	Thomas McKeon by J. Carter, M.D.
	5:30 p.m.	Communion Service
13	May	Saturday-Vigil of the 5th Sunday of Easter
	5:00 p.m.	Patricia Rattnay by Douglas Jervis & Syliva Rashid
14	May	Sunday – Fifth Sunday of Easter
	8:30 a.m.	Ruth Clifford Kunkel by Mike & Peggy Beltrame
	10:30 a.m.	Jean Miller by Pat Reese
	6:00 p.m.	For the People

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

May 7 - 14, 2017

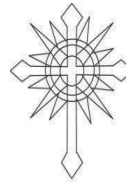
DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP
Sunday	Church	8:30 a.m.	First Communion Rite of Going Forth
	Church	8:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy
	Duffey Hall	9:30 a.m.	Coffee & Donuts
	Church	6:00 p.m.	Confirmation Rite of Sending
Monday	Parish Center	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation Prep
	St. Patrick	6:30 p.m.	SVDP
	Duffey Hall	7:00 p.m.	Men's Club
	St. Therese	9:30 a.m.	Legion of Mary
Tuesday	Scout Room	6:30 p.m.	Girl Scouts #2441
	Church	7:00 p.m.	Choir
	Gym	7:30 p.m.	Little Flower Athletic Commission
	Church	11:00 a.m.	Adventuresome Group
Wednesday	St. Therese	6:00 p.m.	Respect Life
	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	Cohort Meeting
	St. Therese	7:00 p.m.	PTO Meeting
	St. Patrick	6:30 p.m.	Return
Thursday	John 23 rd	7:00 p.m.	Men's CRHP
	St. Therese	8:00 p.m.	AA
	Church	6:00 p.m.	Wedding Rehearsal
	St. Therese	7:07 a.m.	Men's Prayer Group
Friday	Church	1:00 p.m.	Wedding
	Duffey	6:00 p.m.	Mother's Day Prep
	Blood Pressure Check after all Masses in Gathering Area.		
	Sunday Happy Mother's Day		
Sunday	Church	8:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy
	Duffey Hall	10:00 a.m.	Mother's Day Breakfast

Thank You from the Maintenance Department!

We would like to thank Chris Arvin for the donation of a John Deere Lawn Tractor for cutting grass and to Kurt Schnell (K&R Tool Shed) for the donation of a Rotary Drill to the Maintenance Department.



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.org if you plan on attending.



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.

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.

In Memoriam

We extend our condolences to *Donna English* on the death of her husband, **Alan English**, who passed away on April 21, and whose funeral liturgy was celebrated here on April 27. Please keep all of Alan's family and friends in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. May God welcome Alan into his eternal glory.



SAVE THE DATE

Vacation Bible School

July 10-14, 2017

6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

For children entering Pre4 to 4th grade in the fall.

Volunteers are needed. Please contact Lisa at 317-357-8352

ext. 33 or email: lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org. Watch the bulletin for more information.

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

Weekly Budget Goal	\$	13,500.00
Collection of April 29 and 30	\$	7,883.33
Electronic Contributions 4/24 - 4/28	\$	1,755.00
Fiscal Year 2016-2017 YTD Actual	\$	569,403.57
Fiscal Year 2016-2017 YTD Budget	\$	594,000.00
Fiscal Year 2016-2017 YTD DEFICIT	\$	- 14,958.10

Home Improvement Fund

February Contributions	\$	1,815.58
March Contributions	\$	2,120.83
April Contributions (to date)	\$	1,759.09

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:

Margaret Horning
4821 E 21st Street, Indianapolis, IN 46218

NEW CATHOLIC TELEVISION PROGRAM

Be inspired by a new Catholic television program for every day living that will motivate you to achieve your hopes and dreams as you live a life of power, impact, freedom, and purpose. It provides practical ways of living life to the fullest and helping you make faith a part of your daily life.

Bruce Downes, The Catholic Guy Television program is seen by millions of people whose lives have been changed by his down-to-earth approach. You may see him on the following channels every day at 8:30 a.m.:

DIRECTTV - channel 371
DISH - channel 258
At&T U-Verse - channel 565
Verizon FIOS - channel 288

For more information go to BruceDownesTheCatholicGuy.com where you can watch the program daily.

*Share
Your
Faith!*



Breakfast served at 10 a.m. Please start your Mother's Day off with breakfast on us!

Mothers Day Breakfast hosted by Men's Club

All women of the Parish, 21 years old and over, are invited to the Mothers Day Breakfast on Sunday, May 14, after 8:30 Mass in Duffey Hall.

Attention Men of the Parish

Volunteers are needed for set-up and serving the Mothers Day Breakfast. Set-up and food prep for the Breakfast will begin at 6:00 p.m. Saturday, May 13, in Duffey Hall. All volunteers to serve breakfast need to arrive no later than 8:30 a.m. on Sunday May 14.

Knights of Columbus
Our Lady of Fatima Council
Fatima Event Center
1040 North Post Road

ALL are WELCOME. You do not have to belong to the Knights to attend any of the following events:

Sunday, May 7, from 8:30 AM - noon

Fatima Family Breakfast Buffet - ALL YOU CAN EAT!

Menu consists of - biscuits & gravy, fried potatoes, cheesy potato casserole, pancakes & waffles (made to order), two types of eggs, sausage, bacon, fried biscuits & apple butter, various cold cereals and donuts plus coffee, tea, milk & juices. Cost is only \$8.00 for adults, \$4.00 for children 4-12 yrs., and children 3 yrs. and under are free.

Wednesday, May 10, Ladies Auxiliary Meeting at IHOP at Ft Ben. Meet at 6 p.m. at IHOP. We will have dinner, our meeting & social time. Questions call Pam Donaldson at [317-431-5239](tel:317-431-5239). All Ladies are WELCOME!

Thursday, May 11 at 1:00 PM

FREE Afternoon Movie - That Midnight Kiss
Starring Mario Lanza, Katherine Grayson

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Little Flower Preschool News

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.**

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 4/26/17	\$ 2,255.00
Same time last year	\$ 1,570.00
Goal	\$ 28,552.00
If only ½ of our households turned in \$100 in tickets	\$ 46,000.00!

Rummage Sale donations – Saturday April 29 was the final drop off day for donations this year. Our volunteers need the next few weeks to price and organize, so donations will no longer be accepted for this year. Thanks to all for your donations and cooperation!

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.

Summerfest T Shirt!

Shirts ordered in advance will be available for pick up after Masses on the weekend of May 20/21 and May 27/28. A limited selection of shirts will be available for sale at \$10.00 each.

Presale tickets for festival rides will be available in church after weekend Masses on May 20/21 and May 27/28. Please plan to purchase tickets in advance, as they are less expensive for you and the percentage of profit for the parish is greater on advance sale tickets! You may also purchase advance sale tickets in the parish office from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m., Monday thru Friday, beginning May 15.

This weekend and next weekend (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.

SPECIAL VOLUNTEER NEEDED!

This year we will be implementing some changes to provide a safer environment at the festival. Please see the information in Fr. Bob's letter. This will require additional volunteer help to be at our entry points. I am looking for someone to head up this area – schedule and coordinate volunteers and communicate policies and procedures (that will be well documented). If you would be able to help in this very important area, please contact Tom as soon as possible at 317-357-8352, ext 27 or tcostello@littleflowerparish.org.

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