

Dear Parish Family,

**Days 4-8 of the Little Flower Novena will take place Monday through Friday at 5:30 p.m.** Each day will consist of the novena prayers,

a reading from Fr. Ron Rolheiser, and a Communion Service.

**The Solemn Closing of the Little Flower Novena will be Saturday, September 30, at the 5:00 p.m. Mass.** The Solemn Closing will consist of the traditional procession with the relic of St. Therese, her picture, and those preparing for First Communion dropping rose petals, the 9<sup>th</sup> day novena prayer, and the Mass of St. Therese. I hope that many of you will make a special effort to attend. In 1927, the first year of the novena, 1500 persons were present for the closing!

Sunday, October 1, is the Feast of St. Therese. We will celebrate her feast at all the Masses next weekend.

Likewise, I hope many of you will be able to attend the **Parish Appreciation Dinner next Saturday, September 30, in the Social Hall after the 5:00 p.m. Mass.** This dinner is a "thank you" for the time, talent, and treasure generously given by our parishioners that make our parish the wonderful faith community that we all enjoy. Please come and allow us to show our gratitude in this small way. Everything will be provided, so just bring yourselves. Please RSVP to the parish center at 357-8352 as soon as possible.

Belated thanks to Jeff Lyons and all those who helped with the Father Robert Borchertmeyer Golf Outing on Friday, September 8, at Pleasant Run Golf Course. We had a wonderful day and the weather was outstanding. We had a total of 72 golfers this year and gave away approximately 55 prizes after the event. Every golfer walked away with a LF lunch tote and drink Koozie. The winning team was comprised of Brion St Amour, Brian Mitchell, Eric Meek, and Danny Williams. They shot a 48, which was 23 under par.

Casey Kehrer and Steer-In provided the food. The golf committee consisted of Scott Sidor, Rick Fischer, Paul Clegg, Steve Clegg, Jeremy Rochford, Brent Eskew, Jim Stevenson, and Kevin Egan. Thanks to all who supported the golf outing.

This past Monday I had a biopsy on my neck. By the time you read this, I should have received the results.

Have a wonderful week.

fr. bob



We remember **James Roberts** who passed away on September 6 and whose Memorial Mass was celebrated here on September 12. James was 71 years old and an alumnus of Little Flower School and Seccina High School. We extend our condolences to *Butch and Donna Brown* on the death of their grandson,

**Chris Cardis.** Chris was 29 and lived in Florida. We offer our sympathy to *Mary Hook* on the death of her sister, **Ellen Cronin**, who passed away on September 11 and whose funeral liturgy celebrated here on September 16. Ellen was 89 years young. She loved St. Francis, St. Anthony and had a strong devotion to Mary. Please keep all of these families in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. May God welcome James, Chris, and Ellen into his eternal glory.



## Masses of the Week

### For the Week of September 25 – October 1, 2017

25	September	Monday	5:30 p.m.	St. Therese Novena and Communion Service
26	September	Tuesday	5:30 p.m.	St. Therese Novena and Communion Service
27	September	Wednesday	5:30 p.m.	St. Therese Novena and Communion Service
28	September	Thursday	1:30 p.m.	Crestwood – The Souls in Purgatory by John T. Kelly
			5:30 p.m.	St. Therese Novena and Communion Service
29	September	Friday	8:30 a.m.	Amy Spalding by the Spalding family
			5:30 p.m.	St. Therese Novena and Communion Service
30	September	Saturday-Vigil of the 26 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time	5:00 p.m.	Teresa Sekel by Diane and Ron Sharp
01	October	Sunday – The 26 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time	8:30 a.m.	Pat Gandolph by Charlene Runge
			10:30 a.m.	Jim Dunn by Manuel and Judy Corpuz
			6:00 p.m.	For the Parish

## THE WEEK AHEAD IN OUR PARISH

September 24 - October 1, 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. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation Information Meeting
Monday	St. Patrick	6:30 p.m.	SVDP
Tuesday	St. Patrick	9:30 a.m.	Legion of Mary
	St. Therese	7:00 p.m.	RCIA
	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	Parish Life
	Church	7:00 p.m.	Choir
Wednesday	St. Therese	6:00 p.m.	Chess Club
	Duffey Hall	6:30 p.m.	Little Flower Neighborhood Assoc. Game Night
	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	Liturgy Commission
Thursday	St. Therese	8:00 p.m.	AA
Friday			
Saturday	St. Therese	7:07 a.m.	Men's Prayer Group
	Duffey Hall	6:00 p.m.	Appreciation Dinner
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



Our novena continues on Monday, September 25 in church and will continue each evening this week at 5:30 pm. The service will consist of novena prayers, a reflection, and a Communion Service. The Solemn Closing of the Novena (day 9) will take place at the 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 30 as part of the parish celebration of the feast of St. Therese. We will celebrate the Feast of St. Therese at all the Masses on the weekend of September 30-October 1.



### Appreciation Dinner

Little Flower Parish Feast Day and Appreciation Dinner will be Saturday, September 30 following the 5 p.m. Mass. Dinner will be provided so you don't need to bring anything! Please RSVP to the parish center at 317-357-8352, ext. 31 or

by email to [jzimmerman@littleflowerparish.org](mailto:jzimmerman@littleflowerparish.org) by Monday, September 25.

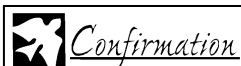


(grades 8 thru 12)

**YOUTH CHOIR** will sing on Sunday, September 24, meeting in church at 5 p.m. to prepare for 6 p.m. Mass.



The next adult choir practice will be Tuesday, September 26 at 7 p.m. in church. If you are interested in joining but missed the first two practices, it is not too late! Please email Tom at [tcostello@littleflowerparish.org](mailto:tcostello@littleflowerparish.org) or call 357-8352, ext 27.



On **Sunday, September 24**, 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 high school age. The meeting will be held at 7 p.m. in the St. Patrick room in the Parish Center.

Our parish Liturgy Commission is seeking to increase its membership. The work of the commission involves all liturgical celebrations, as well as special seasons and feasts. The commission is responsible for determining, communicating, and implementing any liturgical changes for our parish. Members should have a love of good liturgy and have some knowledge about it, or be willing to learn over time. If you think you might be interested, please email [tom@littleflowerparish.org](mailto:tom@littleflowerparish.org) or call Tom at 317-357-8352, ext 27. Thanks for your consideration.



Sessions for the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults are available to adults who want to learn more about the Catholic faith. Our **second session will be on Tuesday, September 26, at 7 p.m. in the Parish Center. Our topic for the evening is Who's Who in the Catholic Church & Church Tour.** Please join us!



### News from SVdP

Help is still needed for our pantry in the parish center. We could use macaroni & cheese, tuna, soup, spaghetti sauce, and pork & beans. These items can be dropped off at the parish center or placed in the

SVDP cart in the back of the church. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.



The **Adventuresome Group** will meet on **Wednesday, October 11 following the 11 a.m. Mass.** This month Mrs. Slaton's 8<sup>th</sup> grade class will be joining us for Mass and lunch. They have planned a few Halloween activities for us. So, please join us! You don't want to miss out on all the fun.

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:

**Donna Weber**

**1301 N Ritter Avenue, Indianapolis, IN 46219**



### Fall Blood Drive

Little Flower's Fall Blood Drive is Wednesday, October 4, from 3 p.m. – 7 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Please consider donating. You may sign up online at [www.indianablood.org](http://www.indianablood.org) or by contacting Peggy Clegg at 317-357-8352 or [pclegg@littleflowerparish.org](mailto:pclegg@littleflowerparish.org).

Walk-ins are also welcomed. Thank you for giving the gift of life!

**PLEASE CONSIDER REMEMBERING  
LITTLE FLOWER PARISH AND SCHOOL  
IN YOUR ESTATE PLANNING**

### Catholic Cemeteries

One of the works of mercy of the church is burying the dead and this is never easy to discuss. Mark Hanley, a representative from Catholic Cemeteries, Calvary, Holy Cross/St. Joseph, Our Lady of Peace, will be here to discuss this important topic and answer any of your questions. This will take place **Wednesday, October 11 at 7:00 p.m.**, in the Parish Center. Please come and find out more about how this works and what it means for your family. If you have any questions please contact Peggy Clegg at [pclegg@littleflowerparish.org](mailto:pclegg@littleflowerparish.org) or at 317-357-8352.

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

Weekly Budget Goal	\$	13,500.00
Collection of September 16 and 17	\$	10,409.23
Electronic Contributions 9/11-9/15	\$	5,404.67
Fiscal Year 2017-2018 YTD Actual	\$	157,311.02
Fiscal Year 2017-2018 YTD Budget	\$	162,000.00
Fiscal Year 2017-2018 YTD DEFICIT	\$	- 4,688.98

### Home Improvement Fund

July Contributions	\$	1,936.33
August Contributions	\$	1,886.58
September Contributions (to date)	\$	1,740.83

**Special Event**

**ATTENTION ALUMNI! On Saturday, November 4** 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.

**HAPPENINGS ELSEWHERE****Fall Camps at CYO Camp Rancho Framasa**

Fall Break 1: October 8-10

Fall Break 2: October 19-21

Fall Weekend: October 6-8

Fall Camps include hands on activities in God's creation. Join us for recreation, outdoor discovery and exploration! Info & Registration: [www.campranchoframasa.org](http://www.campranchoframasa.org); 888-988-2839, x122

**Cathedral High School Information Night**

Cathedral High School invites all East Deanery 6th, 7th & 8th grade students and families to attend an information night from 7:00-8:30 p.m. on Sunday, October 8. Cathedral High School will host this event at Brunette Park, the school's new athletic campus located at 9802 Little League Drive in Indianapolis. Come learn about faith life, academics, service, social life and more! Please RSVP by October 5 to the Cathedral Enrollment Management Office at (317) 968-7370 or via email at [mcloud@gocathedral.com](mailto:mcloud@gocathedral.com). Or, if this date does not work for your family, visit [www.gocathedral.com/infonights](http://www.gocathedral.com/infonights) to see additional dates! Learn more about Cathedral at [www.gocathedral.com](http://www.gocathedral.com).

**High School Placement Test**

Cathedral High School invites all 8th Grade students to take the High School Placement Test (HSPT) on our campus Saturday, October 14 at 8:30 a.m. To learn more and to register visit [gocathedral.com/placementtest](http://gocathedral.com/placementtest). Parents will have the option of attending "Coffee with Cathedral" while you student is testing.

**NEWS FROM SCECINA****Seccina Open House**

Looking for a great Catholic high school? Mark your calendars for Seccina's Open House, 6:00 – 8:30 p.m. Thursday, October 12. This is a great opportunity for families to learn more about Seccina Memorial High School, rated A by the Indiana Department of Education. You can tour the building, meet the faculty and staff, and learn more about our academic and co-curricular programs, including Advanced Placement and Project Lead the Way/Biomedical Science. You also can meet our new principal, Dr. Joe Brettnacher. Register for Open House by calling the Enrollment Office at 317-352-3287 or by visiting [www.scecina.org/openhouse](http://www.scecina.org/openhouse). Discover Opportunities at a great Catholic high school!

**Crusaders at Lucas Oil Stadium**

The Crusaders varsity football team will play the Cardinal Ritter Raiders at Lucas Oil Stadium on **Friday October 6** at 5:30 p.m. Pre-sale tickets available in the Seccina Athletic Office.

**Sports Passes Available**

Seccina Crusaders sports passes are available in the Athletics Office. They are \$75 each or two for \$125. Sports passes are valid for one admission to Crusader home athletic events. They are not valid for the City tournaments or post-season competition.

**Holy Spirit Travel Club is going on a Wine Tour on Oct. 21.** We will leave from "GET Fit Athletic Club" at 8:30 AM, and return at 7:00 PM. (located at Washington St. and Shortridge Road.) We will visit Salt Creek Winery, The Scenic View Restaurant, Cedar Creek Winery and Brewery, and Mallow Run Winery. Please call Rose Scheibelhut at 317-356-4412 and leave a message with full name, telephone number and what Parish you attend. Hope to hear from you soon!

**"40 Days for Life" Campaign**

The 40 Days for Life campaign will kick off Tuesday, September 26 at 6:30 p.m. at St John the Evangelist 126 W Georgia St. Fr Rick Nagel will be the keynote speaker. Join the Respect Life Committee for an evening of prayer, music and inspiration as we prepare to kick-off 40 Days for Life of changing hearts and saving lives

**HEAR FUTURE HALL-OF-FAMER****TAMIKA CATCHINGS****AT THE ANNUAL INDY PRAYER BREAKFAST**

On Tuesday, October 24, 2017 the annual Indianapolis Prayer Breakfast will feature former WNBA star Tamika Catchings as a keynote speaker who will share and witness about her walk and relationship with Jesus. This event is always a great opportunity to pray for our capital city and all who seek to live peacefully in central Indiana. Please consider attending or at least prayerfully supporting this gathering of Christians for a good, holy and uplifting purpose. Details are available at [IndyPrayerBreakfast.com](http://IndyPrayerBreakfast.com).

**Hurricanes Harvey & Irma Evacuees Coming To Indiana: HELP IS NEEDED**

Catholic Charities Disaster Response, Archdiocese of Indianapolis, has been asked by the Indiana Department of Homeland Security to assist in preparation to receive evacuees from both Hurricane Harvey and Hurricane Irma in the coming weeks and months. We have been asked to head up Disaster Case Management to insure that the needs of these individuals and families are met here in Indiana. The evacuees would come into the Indianapolis area. Therefore, Disaster Case Managers who could be available to volunteer for this task need to be trained here. Training will be held at the O'Meara Catholic Center, 1400 N. Meridian Street, in the Benedictine Conference Room on October 4, 2017 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Lunch will be provided. If you can help, please contact Jane Crady, Disaster Preparedness & Response Coordinator, Catholic Charities Archdiocese of Indianapolis [jaccl@tds.net](mailto:jaccl@tds.net) 317-642-7322.

*Share  
Your  
Faith!*



**AN EVENING**  
**WITH**  
**ST. THERESE' OF LISIEUX**

*presented by*

**LITTLE FLOWER LADIES CLUB**

*and LF parishioner*

**KATE BAECHER**



**7:00 P.M.**

**Thursday, October 5**

**Duffey Hall**

***Immerse yourself in the joy of our patron saint with a talk from a St. Therese' expert as she leads us through the beauty and simplicity of this gentle soul. Get a taste of France with special French treats and wine. Prizes and surprises for all. Bring a friend! Bring a canned good!***