LITTLE FLOWER ST. THERESE -**ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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Little Flower Church Mission Statement



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PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Chairperson Vice Chairperson Secretary Finance Council Athletic Commission Faith Formation Commission Invite Commission Liturgy Commission Parish Life Commission School Commission Stewardship Commission At-Large Member At-Large Member At-Large Member

Cassie Echegaray Dan Mages Trisha Corcoran Pat Brake Sarah Stevenson OPEN POSITION Cindy Woods OPEN POSITION Carol Wehlage John Marron OPEN POSITION Mike Perron David Schurger Bernie Sponsel

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES Mass

5:00 PM Saturday: 8:30 AM, 10:30 AM, 6:00 PM Sunday: Weekdays and Holy Days Check inside the bulletin for schedule. **Communion Services** Check inside the bulletin.

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.

SCHOOL 353-2282 Fax The school offers Pre-school 3's and 4's through Grade 8. Extended Care is available until 6:00 PM.

357-8352

Contact the school for more information

Monday - Friday 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM Secretary Available 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Fax

357-5316

322-7702

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Saturday: 3:45 PM to 4:30 PM or by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

OFFICE HOURS:

PARISH CENTER

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

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 where a erichienest is demitted. 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 we celebrate the Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord, Jesus' manifestation to the Gentiles. Epiphany has often been called Little Christmas. In Western Christianity, Christmas is the primary feast. However, in Eastern Christianity, Epiphany is the more important and older feast. In some cultures, gift giving is part of the

celebration of the Epiphany. In earlier times, the Church celebrated three mysteries on the Solemnity of the Epiphany: the visit of the Magi, Jesus' baptism by John, and the wedding feast at Cana.

Because Christmas fell on Monday 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.

Many visitors, including many former parishioners, attend our Christmas Liturgies. Invariably, I hear many wonderful comments about Christmas at Little Flower. Therefore, I want to thank everyone who worked so hard to make our Christmas Liturgies beautiful celebrations of faith, love, and worship.

Special thanks to Tom Costello, our regular music ministers, all those who participated in Christmas choir, and all the additional instrumentalists who provided so much life and energy to our Christmas Liturgies. When people compliment our Liturgies, they primarily compliment our music.

For our music ministers, our Christmas Eve 10 p.m. Mass was bittersweet. The 2016 Christmas 10 p.m. Mass was Teresa Eckrich's last time to direct the choir. As we give thanks for our beautiful Christmas Liturgies, please remember her in your prayers.

Also, special thanks to Mary Martha Costello, the Arts and Environment Committee, the Men's Club, and all the other volunteers who helped decorate the Church for Christmas on Thursday evening, December 21. Every year people say that Little Flower is the most beautiful church at Christmas. Additionally, thanks to all volunteers who helped clear snow around the church on Christmas Eve.

Thanks also to all of our Liturgical ministers who generously served in their ministries during this Christmas season: Eucharistic ministers, lectors, servers, hospitality ministers, sacristans, and church cleaners. Although we highlight music and arts and environment at Christmas, all liturgical ministers play a major part in making our Liturgies beautiful and prayerful and our community welcoming.

Finally, 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. These ministries help bring Christ and Christmas into the lives of those less fortunate than we are. We should never forget that these ministries are as important to the mission of the church as the liturgical ministries.

Have a wonderful week.

fr. bob

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, January 15, in recognition of Martin Luther King Day.



For the Week of January 8 – 14, 2018

08	January	Monday			
	5:30 p.m.	For the Intentions of Charlie Goodman			
09	January	Tuesday			
	5:30 p.m.	Charles & Mary O'Hara by Jim O'Hara			
10	January	Wednesday			
	5:30 p.m.	Grace Taddeo by Rita Gibson			
11	January	Thursday			
	5:30 p.m.	The Souls in Purgatory by John T. Kelly			
12	January	Friday			
	8:30 a.m.	Chris Cardis by Judy and Ray Johns			
	5:30 p.m.	Communion Service			
13	January	Saturday-Vigil of 2 nd Sunday in Ordinary			
		Time			
	5:00 p.m.	Jim Clifford by Donna Clifford			
14	January	Sunday – Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Tom Burke by Butch and Donna Brown			
	8:30 a.m.				
	10:30 a.m.	Isabella Mathias by Ladies Club			
	6:00 p.m.	For the People			

THE WEEK AHEAD IN OUR PARISH

January 7 - 14, 2018

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	
	Parish Center	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation Prep	
Monday	Scout Room	6:00 p.m.	Cub Scouts	
	St. Patrick	6:30 p.m.	SVDP	
Tuesday	St. Therese	9:30 a.m.	Legion of Mary	
	Church	7:00 p.m.	Choir	
	St. Therese	7:00 p.m.	RCIA	
	Gym	7:30 p.m.	LFAC	
Wednesday	St. Therese	6:00 p.m.	Respect Life	
	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	Parish Council	
Thursday	Scout Room	6:30 p.m.	Girl Scouts #2441	
	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	Eastside Cohort Meeting	
	at Holy Spirit	7:00 p.m.	Grief Support	
	St. Therese	8:00 p.m.	AA	
Friday				
Saturday	St. Therese	7:07 a.m.	Men's Prayer Group	
	Duffey Hall	8:00 a.m.	Men's Club Meeting	
			& Work Day	
	St. Therese	10:00 a.m.	Christ Life Training	
	Blood Pressure Check after all Masses			
Sunday	Church	8:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy	
	Duffey Hall	9:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts	
	St. Therese	1:30 p.m.	Franciscan Associates	



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, or activities should be sent to the parish office (or dropped in the offering basket) by Thursday, January 18. You may also e-mail items to <u>Ifparishnews@vahoo.com</u>.



We extend our condolences to *Mindy Finlinson and her family* on the death of her son,

Ben Finlinson, who passed away on December 20 and whose funeral liturgy was celebrated here on December 29. Ben was 26 years old and a graduate of both Little Flower and Scecina. Please keep all of Ben's family and friends in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. May God welcome Ben into his eternal glory.

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.



On **Sunday, January 21, 2018**, at the **8:30** a.m. **Mass**, we will celebrate the Rite of Enrollment. At this rite our 2nd graders will be called by name and gather around the altar with their parents are candidates for Eirst Europarist Please

as they are enrolled as candidates for First Eucharist. Please keep these families and children in your prayers during the coming months.



We have an opening for a full-time custodian to do cleaning and light maintenance in the school building Monday through Friday evenings from approximately 3 p.m. until 11:30 p.m. Health insurance is available with this position. 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. Interested persons may pick up an application at the parish office, Monday thru Friday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. No phone calls please.



Men's Club Crew Carwash Fundraiser

The Little Flower Men's Club is having their annual Crew Carwash fundraiser through the month of January. Wash passes are for the basic carwash and are \$9 each or 5 for the price of 4 (same

price as at the store) These are great to use all year round and never expire! The Men's Club gets to keep 50% of each carwash sold, so it's a win-win. To get yours, please contact Barry Greene. Email: greenebp86@gmail.com or Phone: 317-460-0667. We will be selling them after all Masses in the back of Church the weekend of January 6 and 7.

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: **Theresa Lotz**

853 N Butler Avenue, Indianapolis, IN 46219



Little Flower Athletic Commission & Little Flower PTO Reverse Raffle & Bingo Night January 27, 2018 6:00 PM Little Flower Gym

Tickets are \$25.00 per event or \$40.00 for both. Dinner & cocktails are included. Grand Prize for the Reverse Raffle is \$1000.00 and for Bingo is \$500.00. You must be 21 or older. Permit #145866.

Members of LFAC and PTO will be in the gathering are after all Masses on January 13/14. Tickets are limited; get yours now!



Regular adult choir resumes with practice this Tuesday, January 9, at 7:00 P.M. in church The adult choir sings at the 8:30 A.M. Mass on most Sundays from September through May. Practices are held on most Tuesday evenings from 7:00 P.M. until 8:30 P.M. We could

use some new voices in all voice sections, with a little more need in the men's sections. If you have questions, e-mail Tom at tcostello@littleflowerparish.org



Our 4th session for students and team members only will be on Sunday, January 7, in the Parish Center from

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Weekly Budget Goal	\$	13,500.00
Collection of December 23 and 24	\$	7,281.00
Electronic Contributions 12/18 – 12/22	\$	3,770.00
Collection of December 30 and 31	\$	13,082.00
Electronic Contributions 12/25 – 12/29	\$	1,785.00
Fiscal Year 2017-2018 YTD Actual	\$	364,980.86
Fiscal Year 2017-2018 YTD Budget	\$	364,500.00
Fiscal Year 2017-2018 YTD	\$	480.86
Christmas Collection The Christmas collection was budgeted for	\$	11,247.57
\$9,200.00.		
<u>Home Improvement Fu</u>	nd	
October Contributions	\$	2,080.33
November Contributions	\$	1,900.33

December Contributions \$ United Catholic Appeal

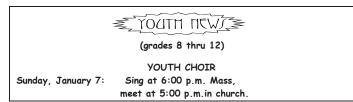
(gifts processed as of 12/21)

The Archdiocesan United Catholic Appeal, Christ Our Hope, has been going on for about eight weeks, and as you can see we are just under 70% of our goal. Will you please consider helping us reach our goal? 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 parishes benefit.

Parish Goal	\$ 45,060.00
# of gifts received or pledges	140
Amount of gifts received or pledged	\$ 31,308.00

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

The next monthly bereavement support group, sponsored by the Eastside Catholic Community: Holy Spirit ~ Little Flower ~ Our Lady of Lourdes ~ St. Philip Neri, will be on Thursday, January 11, from 7:00-8:30 p.m. at Holy Spirit Church. All are welcome! This month's topic will be "Saying Goodbye, Saying Hello." Please contact Peggy Clegg at (317) 357-8352 or pclegg@littleflowerparish.org if you have any questions.





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

Donated By	In Honor Of	Donated By	In Honor Of
Andrea and Chris Arvin	Mary Helen Arvin Justine Clark Elizabeth Clark	Maureen Duncan	Edward, Marcia, and Alan Duncan
	Mary Taylor	The Dunn Family	Jim Dunn, Sr.
The Belles Family	Sarah Belles	Anne Flanagan Family	Jim Flanagan Ray and Gertrude
Jacque Boak	Frances Boak Agnes Brown		Schonecker
Grandma and Grandpa Brown	Christopher Cardis	Dick and Bobbie Fleetwood	Bill and Susie Feeney
Family of Tom and Julie Bullock	Gladys Maddox	Carol Freeland	Michael and Carolyn Ley & Jim and Dan
Julie Bullock	Susan Dugan Jerry Bullock	Dorothy Fulner	Paul, Tony, Loretta, and Donna
Robert and Gerry Burgin	Deceased Family and Loved Ones	Bill and Cathy Gorton	Deannie Gorton
Floretta Burton	William and Flora Bauman	Pauline and Charlie Graf	Walter and Anna Bordenkecher Charles and Lillian Graf
Judy Corpuz	Helen Clager		Anita, Charles, and Ruth Bordenkecher,
Ellen Corriden	Ellen M. Falvey Maureen Larner-Reeser		Phyllis and Bob Metzler Norman, Bill, and Mike Bordenkecher
Dan and Pam Costello	Tom and Eileen Costello Jim and Pat Mitchell		Leo Kennedy and Ron Hines
Tom and Mary Martha Costello	Jim and Evelyn Babcock Tom and Eileen Costello	Thomas E Griffin II	Jean Ann Griffin Celia Kelly
	Tom Burke Teresa Eckrich	Pat and Dale Hawkins	Fred Tunis Mike Hawkins Jeff Hawkins
Tanya Day	My Mom, Carline Day	Jean Jett and Family	Jerry Jett, St.
Robert Dew	Sandra Kay Dew		
Regina Dew	Pat Hernandez	Bill and Joanne (Mayer) Johnson	The Mayer and Poetz Families
Kadee Dew	Chris, Karlene, Emiel Fabyan	Judson and Christen Kring	Julianne and David Kring Mary Carolyn Kring



CHRISTMAS FLOWER MEMORIALS



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Mike and Mary Ann Maio and Family	John Maio John and Florence Caito Anthony and Trieste Maio Linda Manns Barbara Burford	Kurt and Patty Schnell	Ralph and Wanda Schnell Gilbert and Catherine Schnell Austin and Isabella Mathias Frank and Mary Kot
Elizabeth and Bill Mann	Craig Deputy		Deceased Members of the Parke and Schnell Families
Cathy Mears	Jack Mears Roberta Heitmann	Joe and Mary Shaler	Larry, Dorothy, and David Wills
Helen Mouser	Mick Mouser "My Sweet Husband" My Family, the Vignas Betty and Phil Caito Vera and Emil Russ Kitty and Mike Denney	Diane and Ron Sharp	Roland and Mary Sharp Emma, Emil, and Bonnie Weimer Helen Louise Schreiber Rose Filcek Betty Caito
William Moylan Sara O'Brien	Joan Moylan The Ralph Zimmer Family The Lavelle Family	Mary Shea	Leonard Endres Mary Endres Frank J. Shea David B. Endres
B. J. Schmidt	Steve Schmidt Nonie Schmidt Hugh and Angela Bir Joseph and Irene Bir Michael and Ellen Breen	Julia Wallpe	Herman and Rosalie Erlenbaugh Chet and Callie Chesterson Kenneth and Lucille Wallpe
		The Wurz Children and Grandchildren	John and Alvina Wurz

