Return to me with your whole heart, with fasting, weeping, and mourning. Rend your hearts, not your garments, and

return to the LORD, your God,

for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, abounding in steadfast love, and relenting in punishment. Joel 2:12-13

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

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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 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

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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

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 pacificiency is 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.

TXM

Dear Parish Family,

During Lent, our RCIA catechumens and candidates begin their final preparation for the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist which they will receive at the Easter Vigil Liturgy. This year we have seven adults preparing to receive Sacraments of Initiation. Our catechumens are Devon Larimore, Nikki Mason, and Stephanie Nancarrow. Our candidates are Ryan Davis and

Daniel Ford. Finally, we have two already-baptized Catholics who will be confirmed, Melinda Black and Michelle Ford.

This Sunday at the 8:30 a.m. Mass we celebrate the Rite of Sending. We, as a community, send them to the Cathedral for the Rite of Election this Sunday afternoon at 2 p.m. At the Rite of Election, on the basis of the testimony of their sponsors and catechists and on the reaffirmation of the intention of the catechumens and candidates themselves, Archbishop Thompson will declare them ready to take part in the Sacraments of Initiation.

Thanks to all who returned their completed stewardship cards this week. If you have not returned it, please return it as soon as possible either through the collection or through the mail or by dropping it off at the parish office.

Thanks to everyone who participated in the Ministry Fair last Sunday, both those who represented ministries and those who visited the fair. The Ministry Fair is a powerful reminder of how many ministries our parish sponsors. Thanks to those who signed up for new ministries. Finally, thanks to the PTO for hosting a pancake breakfast throughout the morning. PTO is one of the many ministries of our parish.

Special thanks to our 8th Grade Class who hosted our Senior Prom on Saturday, February 10. The theme was "A Night at the Drive-In." Highlights of the evening were the delicious dinner prepared by Don Nevins, the crowning of Prom King Frank Skinner and Prom Queen Susan Young, and Bingo. Thanks also to Theresa Slaton, our 8th Grade home room teacher, Peggy Clegg, and the parents who helped with setting up and tearing down. The 8th graders were here not only on Saturday evening but also on Saturday morning to set up.

Please mark your calendars. Our Lenten Penance Service will be Monday evening, March 5, at 7:00 p.m. here at Little Flower. During Lent, we prepare to celebrate not only Jesus' resurrection but also our own resurrection to new life in him. We can only do that by dying to sin and selfishness in our own lives. Besides prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, we do this by receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation which not only forgives our sins but also empowers us to live more Christ-like lives.

I want to stress the importance of young people receiving the sacrament of Confirmation. Canon 1065, §1 of the 1983 Code of Canon Law states, "Catholics who have not yet received the sacrament of confirmation are to receive it before they are admitted to marriage if it can be done without grave inconvenience." Also, to be a valid sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation, a person must have received all three sacraments of initiation: Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist.

Sr. Corrine Ann Brown O.S.F., formerly Sr. Georgeanne, died Monday, February 5, 2018, at Oldenburg. She was 91 years old. Little Flower was her first teaching assignment. She taught here from 1946 to 1948.

During the flu season, please feel free not to join hands at the Our Father and not to shake hands at the Kiss of Peace. Also, please do not drink from the cup if you have a cold or any other illness.

Have a wonderful week.

fr. bob

MASS SCHEDULE

For the Week of February 19 - 25, 2018

19	rebruary	Monday
	5:30 p.m.	Ellen Falvey by Ellen Corriden
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20 February Tuesday

5:30 p.m. For the Intentions of Terry Lee by the Lee Family

21 February Wednesday

5:30 p.m. Veronica Ernstes by Solo Seniors

22 February Thursday

1:30 p.m. Crestwood – Fr. Ken Ciano5:30 p.m. Communion Service

23 February Friday

8:30 a.m. Jim Hawkins by Dick Weimer

5:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross and Communion Service

24 February Saturday-Vigil of the Second Sunday in Lent 5:00 p.m. Al Shikany by the Shikany Family

25 February Sunday – Second Sunday in Lent

8:30 a.m. Charles F. Lawless, Sr. by Bob and Bobbie

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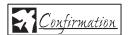
10:30 a.m. Isabella Mathias by Rita Gibson

6:00 p.m. For the Parish

THE WEEK AHEAD IN OUR PARISH

February 18 - 25, 2018

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP		
Sunday	Stewardship Intention Weekend				
	New Parishioner Registration after all Masses				
	Church	8:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy		
	Church	8:30 a.m.	RCIA – Rite of Sending		
	School	9:30 a.m.	Religious Ed		
	Duffey Hall	9:30 a.m.	Coffee & Donuts		
	at Ss. Peter & Paul Cathedral	2:00 p.m.	RCIA – Rite of Election		
	Church	7:00 p.m.	Youth Choir Practice		
Monday	St. Patrick	2:00 p.m.	SVDP		
	Scout Room	6:00 p.m.	Cub Scouts		
	Holy Family	6:30 p.m.	SoulCore		
	Duffey Hall	6:30 p.m.	Christ Life		
Tuesday	St. Therese	9:30 a.m.	Legion of Mary		
	Church	7:00 p.m.	Choir		
	St. Therese	7:00 p.m.	RCIA		
Wednesday	St. Patrick	6:00 p.m.	Finance Council		
	St. Therese	7:00 p.m.	Men's CRHP		
Thursday	Scout Room	6:30 p.m.	Girls Scout #2441		
	St. Therese	8:00 p.m.	AA		
Friday	Duffey Hall	4:30 p.m.	Fish Fry		
	Church	5:30 p.m.	Stations of the Cross		
Saturday	Duffey Hall	9:00 a.m.	Reconciliation Retreat		
	Ladies Club Bake Sale after Mass				
Sunday	Church	8:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy		
	Church	8:30 a.m.	First Communion -		
			Rite of Illumination		
	School	9:30 a.m.	Religious Ed		
	Duffey Hall	9:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts		
	Parish Center	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation Prep		



Our 6th session for candidates and team members only will be on Sunday, February 25, in the parish center from 7:00 p.m.

until 9:00 p.m. Session 7 will take place on Sunday, March 4, in the parish center from 7:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m.



Our Sympathy We extend our prayers and condolences to Charlie Bauerle and his family on the death of his wife,

Jo Ann Bauerle, who passed away on February 7 and whose funeral was held here on February 10. Jo Ann was 80 years young and although she was not Catholic she faithfully came to church with Charlie for almost 60 years. When their children were younger, she was the school librarian, and she was also involved with the Adventuresome Group. Please keep all of Jo Ann's family and friends in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. May God welcome Jo Ann into his eternal glory!

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: Joe Swift

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We have an opening for a full-time custodian to do cleaning and light maintenance in the school building on 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.

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

Weekly Budget Goal	\$	13,500.00
Collection of February 10 and 11	\$	5,568.50
Electronic Contributions 2/5-2/9	\$	2,060.00
Fiscal Year 2017-2018 YTD Actual	\$	445,729.58
Fiscal Year 2017-2018 YTD Budget		445,500.00
Fiscal Year 2017-2018 YTD	\$	229.58
Home Improvement Fu	und	
December Contributions	\$	2,289.33
January Contributions	\$	1,903.83
February Contributions (to date)	\$	1,206.00

United Catholic Appeal (gifts processed as of 2/8)

The Archdiocesan United Catholic Appeal, Christ Our Hope, has been going on for about 15 weeks, and as you can see we are still almost \$12,000 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 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	153	
Amount of gifts received or pledged	\$ 33,378.00	

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.

Ladies Club Bake Sale

Little Flower Ladies Club will be having a Bake Sale after the 5 p.m. Saturday Mass, February 24, and the two morning Masses on Sunday, February 25. If you are donating an item, please drop it off at the back of church after 3 p.m. on Saturday. Please support the Ladies Club and satisfy your sweet tooth!

First Reconciliation Retreat

A retreat is being planned for our Candidates for First Communion and their parents, who will celebrate Reconciliation for the first time on March 5. Through prayer, drama, story, conversation, and ritual, this retreat brings to closure the time of preparation for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. A walkthrough of the sacrament will help the children become more familiar and comfortable with the ritual. This retreat will take place on Saturday, February 24, at 9:00 a.m. in the School Cafeteria. If you have any questions, please contact Lisa at 357-8352 ext. 33 or email lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org.



(grades 8 thru 12)

YOUTH CHOIR - new members are always welcome!

Sunday, February 18: Practice in church - 7 p.m. until 8:15 p.m. Sunday, February 25: Sing at 6:00 p.m. Mass - meet at 5:00 p.m. in church.

Sing at 6:00 p.m. Mass - meet at 5:00 p.m. Sunday, March 4: in church.



Come One! Come All!

Please join us on Fridays during Lent for a wonderful Lenten meal! February 23 through March 23 Serving takes place from 4:30 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. Carryout is available.

Invite your family and friends to help make our Fish Frys a success!

Just Desserts, Ladies!

The Ladies Club provides the desserts each week for the fish frys. All Ladies of the Parish are members of the Ladies Club, so whip up your favorite dessert to share and bring it to the school cafeteria after 3:00 p.m. on Fridays. Thanks in advance and for all of your help in years past!

FESTIVAL NEWS

SUMMERFEST 2018 - June 1, 2, and 3

The next leadership team meeting is Wednesday, February 28,,at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Center.

Rummage Sale - We are in need of someone to take over leadership of the rummage sale. This person would coordinate drop-off events, sort and price items for the sale, and arrange for volunteer help. Unless a new leader steps up to this task, the rummage sale will not take place at this year's festival.

Silent Auction - Mary Martha Costello has decided this will be her last year to coordinate the silent auction at the festival. We are looking for someone to work alongside her this year with the intent of taking it over next year.

Please search your hearts, and if you or someone you know is inspired to take on either of these challenging but rewarding responsibilities, please contact Angie at the Parish Center 317-357-8352 or amackell@littleflowerparish.org.



St. Philip Neri Church, 550 N Rural Street, will be hosting a Health Fair on Sunday, March 4, from 12:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. in the school gymnasium. Anyone from the Eastside Catholic Community (Holy Spirit, Little Flower, Our Lady

of Lourdes, and St. Philip Neri) is welcome to attend. Those in attendance will be able to have blood pressure, vision, diabetes, and kidney screenings. There will be information on prenatal and child care education, lots of other informational booths, and Zumba will be available. Mark your calendar and plan on attending.

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