FIFTH SUNDAY Of Lent



ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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.

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Saturday:

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.

OFFICE HOURS: Monday - Friday 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM Secretary Available 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM PARISH CENTER 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. 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.



Jesus Teaching by the Seashore James Tissot



Fifth Sunday of Lent

Dear Parish Family,This week our All-

School Mass will be Wednesday, March 21, at 8:30 a.m. Therefore, there will be no 8:30 a.m. Mass on Friday, March 23. This coming Friday is our last Lenten Fish Fry. Because it is the last one, I encourage you to come to the fish fry and encourage your family, friends, neighbors, and co-workers to come. Our fish frys provide a great opportunity to socialize with friends and fellow parishioners.

This Saturday, March 24, will be the last scheduled confessions before Easter. Confessions will be heard from 3:45 to 4:30 p.m. There will be **no** confessions on Holy Saturday, March 31.

Next Sunday is Palm Sunday, the beginning of Holy Week. For Christians, and especially for Catholics, Holy Week is the most sacred week of the year. On Palm Sunday, we celebrate Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem. On Holy Thursday, we celebrate his Last Supper with his disciples during which he instituted the sacraments of Eucharist and Priesthood. On Good Friday, we commemorate his Passion and Death. Finally, on Holy Saturday, we celebrate his triumphant resurrection from the dead and celebrate the sacraments of initiation with our Elect.

There is no better way for us to enter into the mystery of Jesus' dying and rising than through celebrating the Triduum as a parish family. Therefore, I would strongly encourage you to celebrate these three days with our Little Flower faith community. Please note the schedule for Holy Week and mark your calendars now.

Also, we are asking that no activities conflict with Holy Week services and activities. This would include 5:30 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. on Holy Thursday and from noon until the end of Good Friday.

Next Sunday, Palm Sunday, we will invite all children from toddlers through 8th grade to join in the procession around the church carrying palms. Please encourage your children to participate. Little Flower School students who participate will receive an out-of-uniform pass.

Monday, March 19, is the Solemnity of St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. In 1870, Pope Pius IX declared St. Joseph Patron of the Universal Church.

Next Sunday, March 25, would typically be the Solemnity of the Annunciation. However, because it falls on Palm Sunday, the Solemnity is transferred to Monday, April 9.

Have a wonderful week!

fr. bob

HOLY WEEK / EASTER SCHEDULE

March 29 Holy Thursday Soup Supper - Duffey Hall: 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Mass of the Lord's Supper & Commissioning of all Eucharistic Ministers at 7:00 p.m.

March 30 Good Friday Living Stations of the Cross at

8:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.

Celebration of the Lord's Passion *(main service for Good Friday)* at 7:00 p.m.

School dismissal at 11:00 a.m. Parish Office closes at Noon

March 31 Holy Saturday Easter Vigil at 8:00 p.m.

April 1 Easter Sunday Masses at 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.
April 2 Easter Monday Parish office and School Closed

The Ladies Club is conducting their Annual Bedding Plant Sale.

Flyers are available at all church entrances,

and cut-off is April 1.



For the Week of March 19 - 25, 2018

19 March Monday

5:30 p.m. Phil and Betty Caito by the Condon Family

20 March Tuesday

5:30 p.m. Albert Grote by the Lee Family

21 March Wednesday 8:30 a.m. Mildred Mauer 5:30 p.m. Communion Service

22 March Thursday

1:30 p.m. Crestwood – Thomas Kennedy

5:30 p.m. Communion Service

23 March Friday

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

24 March Saturday-Vigil of Palm Sunday

5:00 p.m. Special Intentions of the Jorgenson Family by

Clarene J. Peterson

25 March Sunday – Palm Sunday

8:30 a.m. For the People

10:30 a.m. Jo Ann Bauerle by Mrs. Anita Winston 6:00 p.m. Fred and Nell Wehlage by the Wehlage Family

🖊 THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

March 18 - 25, 2018

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP		
Sunday	Church	8:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy		
	Duffey Hall	8:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts		
	Church	6:00 p.m.	RCIA - 3 rd Scrutiny		
	Church	7:00 p.m.	Youth Choir Practice		
Monday	St. Patrick	2:00 p.m.	SVDP		
	Duffey Hall	6:30 p.m.	Christ Life		
	Holy Family	6:30 p.m.	SoulCore		
Tuesday	St. Therese	9:30 a.m.	Legion of Mary		
	Scout Room	6:00 p.m.	Cub Scouts		
	St. Therese	7:00 p.m.	RCIA		
	Church	7:00 p.m.	Choir		
	Duffey Hall	7:00 p.m.	LF Neighborhood		
		_	Assoc.		
	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	PTO Board Meeting		
Wednesday	St. Patrick	6:00 p.m.	Finance Council		
	St. Therese	7:00 p.m.	Men's CRHP		
Thursday	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	Church/PC	9:00 a.m.	RCIA Retreat/Practice		
	Return Baby Banks at all Masses				
Sunday	Church	8:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy		
	Duffey Hall	9:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts		
	Church	5:00 p.m.	Youth Choir Practice		
			Sing at 6 p.m. Mass		
	Parish Center	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation Prep		



We extend our sympathy and condolences to *Diane Gunderson* on the death of her sister **Renee Gunderson**, who passed away on March 4, and whose funeral liturgy was

celebrated here on March 9. Renee usually attended the 8:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday and would always sit with her sister Diane. Please keep all of Renee's family and friends in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. May God welcome Renee into his eternal glory.



Our 8th session for candidates and team members only will be on Sunday, March 25, in the parish center from 7:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m.

Confirmation candidates will be in the opening procession for Mass on Holy Thursday, March 29. Please meet in the gathering area at 6:45 p.m. All are welcome at the soup supper in Duffey Hall from 5:30 p.m. until 6:30 p.m.

Please return your Baby Bank to church on Palm Sunday, March 25. Seventy-five percent of the monies collected will support the Gabriel Project, which assists mothers who have chosen life over abortion. A small portion of this supports the work of the Respect Life Committee. Twenty-five percent will be directed to Miracle Place, a Near Eastside ministry of the Sister of Providence. Please return the banks even if they are empty to save the cost of replacing them for next year.

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

Weekly Budget Goal	\$	13,500.00		
Collection of March 10 and 11		9,840.30		
Electronic Contributions 3/5-3/9		2,647.00		
Fiscal Year 2017-2018 YTD Actual		502,592.05		
Fiscal Year 2017-2018 YTD Budget		499,500.00		
Fiscal Year 2017-2018 YTD	\$	3,092.05		
Home Improvement Fund				
January Contributions		1,903.83		
February Contributions	\$	1,799.83		

United Catholic Appeal (gifts processed as of 3/8)

March Contributions (to date)

1,471.00

The Archdiocesan United Catholic Appeal, Christ Our Hope, has been going on for about 19 weeks, and as you can see we are still almost \$11,000 short of our goal, and only 18% 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	154
Amount of gifts received or pledged	\$ 34,443.00

If you have not returned your annual stewardship intention card, please return it as soon as possible. Extra cards are available at the church doors if needed.



ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT

The Little Flower Athletic Commission invites all parish children, pre-school through age 9, to participate in the annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 31, 2018. The Easter Bunny will arrive at 9:50 a.m., and we will be searching the Parish grounds starting at 10 a.m.

FISH FRY

FRIDAYS DURING LENT
PLEASE INVITE NEIGHBORS, FAMILY, AND FRIENDS
SERVING FROM 4:30 PM UNTIL 7:00 PM

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!



(arades 8 thru 12)

Sunday, March 18 Practice in church from 7 p.m. until 8:15 p.m. Sunday, March 25 Sing at 6 p.m. Mass. Meet in church at 5 p.m.

FESTIVAL NEWS

SUMMERFEST 2018 - June 1, 2, and 3

Our next leadership meeting is Wednesday, March 28, at 7 p.m. in the Parish Center.

Fryers Needed

In past years we have borrowed several commercial fryers from another parish, but they are not available this year. If you know of anyone who would be willing to let us borrow a **portable electric commercial-sized** fryer, please contact Angie in the parish office at 317-357-8352 ext. 30 or amackell@littleflowerparish.org.

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 Angie at the parish center. If you prefer, you can leave their name and address for Angie, and she will mail information to them. Our best chance of getting new sponsors will be you asking them to help!

Used Book Sale –Please bring your donations of used books to the Parish Center during regular office hours (9 a.m. to 3 p.m. M-F).

The Silent Auction team needs your help. Call Mary Martha Costello at 317-544-0473 or Rosemary Armour at 317-372-5513 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 or Rosemary Armour at the numbers listed above.

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

Melissa Egan

6341 E. Pleasant Run Parkway S. Dr., Indianapolis, IN 46219



The Parish Life Commission will once again host a **Soup Supper on Holy Thursday, March 29**. Dinner will be served from 5:30-6:30 p.m. The menu will include vegetable soup, salad, bread, desserts, and drinks. There will be hot dogs for the kids! This is a great opportunity to break bread with your parish family before attending

Mass. Mark your calendar and plan on attending.

Scecina NEWS

Scecina wins grant from NBC

Scecina Memorial High School is one of 50 schools throughout the country to win a \$10,000 R.I.S.E. America Grant for its theatre program. NBC awarded \$500,000 in grants to high school theatre programs in concert with the network's new drama "Rise" which premiered on Tuesday, March 13. Scecina is the only school in Indiana to receive a grant.

'In The Heights' musical at Scecina

Tickets are on sale online for the musical's performances at 7 p.m. March 23 and 24 on the Scecina stage. "In the Heights" features music and lyrics by Lin-Manuel Miranda, the creator of "Hamilton." It tells the story of a vibrant community of Latino characters in Manhattan. It won four Tony Awards for Best Musical, Best Score, Best Choreography and Best Orchestrations. Tickets are \$10 reserved and \$8 general admission. Weekend passes are \$18 reserved and \$12 general admission. Available at scecina.org/theatre.

Mulch Sale benefits Scecina Crusaders

Free Delivery! Buy your mulch or growing mix through Scecina this spring and have it delivered to your home for free. Proceeds benefit Scecina athletes. Cypress and hardwood mulch is available. **Deadline for all orders is Monday, April 16, 2018. Delivery will be April 21**. For more information and to order visit scecina.org/mulch.



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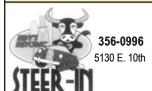
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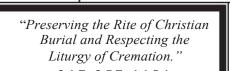
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