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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.

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 PARISH CENTER 357-8352 Fax 357-5316

SCHOOL

OOL 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

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 parishippor, in 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.

let us REJOICE and be GLAD.

This is the

day the

Lord has

made;



Dear Parish Family,

Alleluia, alleluia. This is the day the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad today. Alleluia.

The parish staff and I want to wish all of you a most blessed and happy Easter. In a special way, we want to welcome all of our visitors and all who have returned home to Little Flower to celebrate Easter.

If you are a visitor and live in our area, we invite you to join and become active in our community. We believe that our community has something to offer you, and we believe that you have something to offer us. From the New Testament, it is clear that the Christianity of Jesus is a Christianity of community!

Today we congratulate all those who received sacraments of initiation at the Easter Vigil.

Former Catechumens	Former Candidates	Former Confirmation Candidates
Devon Larimore	Ryan Davis	Melinda Black
Nikki Mason	Daniel Ford	Michelle Ford
Stephanie Nancarrow		

Thanks to the RCIA Team for preparing these individuals for Baptism, Reception into the Church, First Eucharist, and Confirmation. Without all these people who are so willing to give of their time and to share their faith, our parish could not adequately welcome new members into the Catholic Church.

In a special way, I want to thank Lisa Gibbons. Lisa has been a member of the RCIA team since 1992-1993 and has been the director of RCIA since 2004. After 25 years, she had decided to leave the RCIA team. She will be very much missed.

Special thanks also to all our Liturgical ministers who work so hard to prepare and execute our special Liturgies, especially our Holy Week and Easter Liturgies. Both our parishioners and our visitors recognize the quality of our Liturgies.

Tomorrow the parish office and Little Flower School will be closed to celebrate Easter.

Several people have asked what to do with their blessed palm from 2017. Please bring it to church next Sunday, and we will take care of burning it for you.

Special thanks to all who helped with snow removal on Saturday, March 24, especially the members of the Men's Club. Also, when I was going home Saturday evening, I saw someone shoveling over by the school. It was Brad Ringer. Brad is a former parishioner who now lives in Lafayette. He and his family were in town, and they stopped to visit the Perpetual Adoration chapel, and he ended up shoveling snow.

In a special way, I want to recognize Steve Clegg, our maintenance director. It seemed to me that he was here almost all day Saturday trying to stay ahead of the snow before our 5:00 p.m. Saturday evening Mass and after Mass as the snow wound down. Sometimes employees work over and above what we know or even can expect them to work because of their sense of responsibility to, and ownership of, the parish. Last Saturday Steve went above and beyond trying to keep up with snow. Thanks, Steve.

Who would have thought that we would have had 10.2 inches of snow on March 24! According to WRTV's meteorologist Kevin Gregory, the last time we had a larger snowfall was on January 5, 2014 when we had 11.4 inches. In 2013, we had 9.1 inches on March 24 and 25.

Have a blessed Easter!

fr. bob



Beginning today, the Stewardship Commission will highlight a Parish ministry monthly. This month is The INVITE Commission. Little Flower's newest Commission has already done some great things toward outreach and evangelization. Neighborhood cookouts/school supply giveaways, the first Christ Life program in

the Archdiocese, a Summerfest booth, a program for parents whose adult children have left the Church, the Ministry Appreciation Dinner, and the End of the School Year Reception for parents and school kids are some of the things this new Commission has done in the last two years. Consider joining this welcoming, inviting group of parishioners to help share the Good News of our Catholic faith. To learn more, contact Cindy Woods at <a href="www.woodsycww.



We extend our condolences to Anna Marie Gutierrez on the death of her stepson, **Tony Gutierrez**, who passed away on March 17. Please keep all of Tony's family and friends in your thoughts and

prayers during this difficult time. May God welcome Tony into his eternal glory.

HOLY WEEK / EASTER SCHEDULE Parish office and School Closed Monday, April 2, 2018 Dear Little Flower Family,

Thank you for all of the phone calls, sympathy cards, and prayers following the death of my husband, Wendy Reed. It is great to belong to such a faith filled, supportive, and caring church family. Your kindness is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely, Lynn Bogle



Please welcome into our Christian community Harrison Arthur, son of Gary and Cari (Dew) Ballou, and Clara Jayne, daughter of Peter and Kathryn (Hunger) Elliott, baptized on Sunday, March 18, 2018.

FESTIVAL NEWS SUMMERFEST 2018 – June 1, 2, and 3

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.

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).



Ladies of the parish!
Thank you for the desserts for the fish fry.
They made the meal complete.



The next issue of the parish newsletter, "The Little Flower Garden," will be distributed in mid-May. 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 Wednesday, April 18. You may also e-mail items to lfparishnews@yahoo.com.

The Adventuresome Group will meet on Wednesday, April 11, following the 11:00 a.m. Mass. This month we will be joined by Andy McClean from Oak Street Health. We will be doing a fun spring activity! I promise it is not spring cleaning! Please call Peggy Clegg at 317-357-8352 if you plan on attending.



Full Time Maintenance Person We currently have a full-time daytime position for a highly motivated person to fill an

immediate opening. Health insurance is available with this position. Position will include general maintenance of all parish buildings and grounds. Applicant must have general knowledge of maintenance and custodial duties related to School and Church buildings. Applicant will work in conjunction with Maintenance Director and night cleaning service to maintain Little Flower's Campus. Applicant must be able to do heavy work, with some use of equipment for floor cleaning. Previous work experience in maintenance preferred. Interested persons may pick up an application at the parish office, Monday thru Friday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Enter Parish Center by Door 11 or Door 13. No phone calls please.



For the Week of April 2 - 8, 2018

02	April	Monday
	5:30 p.m.	Tom Doyle by Norm and Ann McCarty
03	April	Tuesday
	5:30 p.m.	Hank Wolff by Nancy O'Conner
04	April	Wednesday
	5:30 p.m.	Grace Taddeo by Bob and Sharon Teipen
05	April	Thursday
	5:30 p.m.	Tony Gutierrez by Charlie Goodman
06	April	Friday
	8:30 a.m.	Evelyn Jackson by the Ladies Club
	5:30 p.m.	Communion Service
07	April	Saturday-Vigil of the 2 nd Sunday of Easter
	5:00 p.m.	Martha Kistler by the Pfau family
08	April	Sunday - The Second Sunday of Easter
	8:30 a.m.	Patricia Keenan by Jim and Loretta Miller
	10:30 a.m.	For the People
	6:00 p.m.	Carlos Pedrazza by Devsi Pedrazza and kids

🖊 THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

April 1 - 8, 2018

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP	
Sunday	Happy Easter!			
Monday	Parish Office Closed			
Tuesday	St. Therese 9:30 a.m. Legion of		Legion of Mary	
	Duffey Hall	6:00 p.m.	Cub Scouts -	
	_	_	Raingutter Regatta	
•	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	Silent Auction Prep	
	St. Therese	7:00 p.m.	RCIA	
Wednesday	Gym	6:00 p.m.	LF Band Concert	
	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	School Commission	
Thursday	St. Patrick	6:30 p.m.	LF Neighborhood	
			Safety Meeting	
	Duffey Hall	7:00 p.m.	Ladies Club Meeting	
	St. Therese	8:00 p.m.	AA	
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. Therese	1:30 p.m.	Franciscan Associates	

Breavement Support Group

The next meeting for **Come Journey with Us: You are Not Alone**-Grieving Life's Losses, sponsored by the Eastside Catholic Community: Holy Spirit ~ Little Flower ~ Our Lady of Lourdes ~ St. Philip Neri, will be on **Thursday, April 12, at 7:00 p.m. at Holy Spirit Parish in the Parish Center from 7:00-8:30 p.m.** This support group is open to anyone who has suffered a loss. For more information contact Peggy Clegg at 317-357-8352 or pclegg@littleflowerparish.org.



The next **Baptism Preparation Class** is **Monday, April 23, at 7:00 p.m.** in the Parish Center. This class is required for parents who are requesting baptism for their child and have not previously

attended a preparation class. Please call the parish center at 317-357-8352 to let us know you plan to attend. Plan ahead, as the next class will not take place until June.

Thank you to all the parishioners who have placed their Coca-Cola codes in the plastic jar at the rear of the church. Our donations now stand at:

DONATION HISTORY YOU'VE DONATED:

\$95.45

The monetary figure was copied from the Coca Cola web site March 26. This figure would only represent the value of codes that we have entered. What the parish actually received from Coca Cola might be substantially more depending on how many people are donating codes to the parish on their own.

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

Weekly Budget Goal		13,500.00
Collection of March 24 and 25		6,875.00
Electronic Contributions 3/19 – 3/23		4,657.00
Fiscal Year 2017-2018 YTD Actual	\$	530,304.97
Fiscal Year 2017-2018 YTD Budget		526,500.00
Fiscal Year 2017-2018 YTD	\$	3,804.97
Home Improvement Fu	ınd	
January Contributions		1,903.83
February Contributions		1,799.83

United Catholic Appeal (gifts processed as of 3/22)

March Contributions (to date)

2.105.33

The Archdiocesan United Catholic Appeal, Christ Our Hope, has been going on for about 21 weeks, and as you can see we are still almost \$10,000 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	159
Amount of aifts received or pledaed	\$ 35.823.00

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.

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:

> **Norm McCarty** 445 N Belmar Avenue, Indianapolis, IN 46219

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

Childcare opportunity!

The Christ Life team is seeking an adult to oversee 8-12 children from 6:15 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. at Little Flower School while their parents are attending Following Christ sessions in the cafeteria. Applicants are required to have certification with Safe & Sacred. Dates are: 4/9, 4/16, 4/23, 4/30, 5/7, 5/14, and 5/21. Compensation is \$25 per session. Activities will be provided. For more information, please contact Cindy Woods by email at woodsycww@yahoo.com.



Little Flower School News

On My Way PreK voucher applications are now available. For more information go to http://in.gov/fssa/carefinder/4932.htm

Little Flower does accept On My Way PreK vouchers. Families receiving PreK vouchers may be eligible for a Choice voucher for Kindergarten. Call the school office for more details, 317-353-2282.

Registration for next year is ahead of where we were last year when we eventually had to close several classes. Please do not delay in registering as registration is now open to new families and seats are no longer guaranteed. All fees must be up-to-date before you may register.

ARE YOU SPIRITUALLY HUNGRY AND THIRSTY?

Little Flower Ladies Club

presents

Mary Schaffner

of

FATIMA RETREAT HOUSE

speaking on

"Four Pillars of Christian Spirituality"

Thursday, April 5, 2017*

(please note corrected date.)

7:00 p.m.

Duffey Hall

Ministry is most authentic, free, and joy filled when we tend to our own needs and desires in our relationship with God. Our time together will invite us to step back and reflect on various aspects of our call to Christian discipleship. Mary Schaffner is the Associate director of Spirituality ministries of Our Lady of Fatima Retreat House. In addition to her work with silent directed retreats and ongoing spiritual direction, Mary offers Ignatian retreats in everyday life, days of reflection, and preached retreats. Mary brings experience as a religion teacher, high school campus minister, young adult minister, director of religious education, pastoral associate, and most importantly, the experience of encountering God's grace in her own, and others lives. Mary holds a Master of Theological Studies degree from St. Meinrad School of Theology as well as a Graduate Certificate in Spiritual Direction and Directed Retreats from Creighton University. Mary and her husband John have five children and three grandchildren.

ALL ARE WELCOME!!! **OPEN TO MEN AND WOMEN! INVITE A FRIEND OR NEIGHBOR!**

Refreshments will be serverd.



(grades 8 thru 12)

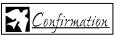
Sunday, April 15: Youth Choir will practice from 7:00 until 8:15 p.m. in

church.

Sunday, April 22: Youth Choir will sing at 6 p.m. Mass. Meet in

church at 5 p.m.

New members are always welcome.



Confirmation candidates will gather for a Retreat Day on Sunday, April 22. More details will be available soon.



Little Flower Parish

SUMMERFEST 2018

HERE'S WHAT YOU CAN DO NOW TO HELP!

SILENT AUCTION

Do you have or have access to new jewelry, usage of a condo, vacation home or time share, sporting event tickets, gift certificates, hotel stays, airfare, cruise packages/travel packages, golfing items, bed and breakfast certificates, etc.?

Do you have any <u>new</u> household appliances, electronics, handmade items, or other merchandise that you may have purchased or received as a gift but do not need?

If they have a retail value in excess in \$25.00, consider donating them for our silent auction!

Do you own or manage your own business? Consider a donation of your own goods or services! Gift certificates are very appropriate!

Does your employer offer goods or services that would make good items for the auction? Please consider approaching your employer for a donation to Little Flower Parish through our silent auction.

Please consider as soon as you can what you might be able to do to help. If you have something and are not sure if we can use it, please call. We can often take several items and package them together. You may drop off donations at the parish center, or if you have questions about what might be appropriate, need pick up, or have other questions or concerns, please call:

Rosemary Armour at 317-372-5513 or Mary Martha Costello at 317-544-0473

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.

BUSINESS SPONSORSHIPS

BUSINESS SPONSORSHIPS are available for the festival. 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 individuals or businesses who might be interested in this opportunity, ask them to call Angie at the parish center (317-357-8352) for more information. If you prefer, you can leave their name and address for Angie and she will mail information to them, or call Angie and she can provide you with information to use to approach them! Act Quickly! Sponsorship Sponsorships are critically deadline is April 14. important!

Festival T-Shirts

Festival T-Shirts will be available for pre-order from April 14 to April 30.

In past years we have run out of T-Shirts, so pre-ordering will help insure that you get yours.

Watch the bulletin on

April 14 & 15 for an order form!

Order deadline is May 2!

RAFFLE!

Because the Rummage Sale will not take place this year, it is even more critical to have a successful raffle. Raffle tickets will be available for parishioner pick-up next weekend. Volunteers will be delivering those not picked up at church after 2 weeks. <u>If you can help deliver unclaimed tickets to parishioners, please call Angie at the Parish center at 317-357-8352.</u> Extra Raffle tickets will be available at all of the church doors. Please turn in your sold tickets and money in the collection or at the parish center. **Please do your best to make the raffle a success!**

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