

# ST. THERESE - LITTLE FLOWER

## ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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"If you keep my commandments, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and remain in his love." John 15:10



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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 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 <a href="mailto:lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org">lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org</a> by noon on Monday.



#### Dear Parish Family,

Today we celebrate the Sixth Sunday of Easter. Next Sunday we celebrate the Solemnity of the Ascension. Every year at least one person asks me if this Thursday is a Holyday of Obligation. In most dioceses of our country, this Thursday is neither the Solemnity of the Ascension nor a Holyday of Obligation.

Those of us who are older remember when Ascension was always celebrated on a Thursday as a Holyday of Obligation. It was celebrated on Thursday because Jesus ascended into heaven on the 40<sup>th</sup> day of Easter. Because this feast is so important, it was moved to Sunday so that more people would be in Church to celebrate the feast.

Today at the 8:30 a.m. Mass we welcome our young people who made their First Communion to celebrate the Rite of Going Forth. This special rite helps reinforce their commitment to the Eucharist and to going forth to make a better world. It helps the children discover that First Communion is a starting point in the living of the Eucharistic life.

First Communion is a special day in the lives of young Catholics. Most adult Catholics have vivid memories of their First Communion. Today, for example, is the 62<sup>nd</sup> anniversary of my First Communion on May 6, 1956. Last Sunday at the 8:30 a.m. Mass I asked a visitor what her name was and where she was from. After she told me her name and where she lived, she said that I gave her First Communion.

As Christians, we are all called to be good neighbors to our neighbors. This is a gentle reminder not to block the driveways of our neighbors when you are attending Mass or other activities at Little Flower. Thank you!

Congratulations to Caroline Mages who received a CYO Spirit of Youth Award on Tuesday, May 1, from Archbishop Thompson at Sts. Peter & Paul Cathedral.

Have a wonderful week.

fr. bob



#### For the Week of May 7 - 13, 2018

07	May	Monday	
	5:30 p.m.	Kevin Smith by Maria Louisa Smith	
08	May	Tuesday	
	5:30 p.m.	Souls in Purgatory by John T. Kelly	
09	May	Wednesday	
	11:00 a.m.	Delia Gilday	
	5:30 p.m.	Communion Service	
10 May Thursday		Thursday	
	5:30 p.m.	Grace Taddeo by Rita Gibson	
11	May	Friday	
	8:30 a.m.	For the Intentions of Charlie Goodman	
	5:30 p.m.	Communion Service	
12	May	Saturday-Vigil of the Ascension of the Lord	
	5:00 p.m.	Jim Hawkins by Dave and Pat Baldwin	
13	May	Sunday - The Ascension of the Lord	
	8:30 a.m.	For the People	
	10:30 a.m.	Pat Gandolph by Patricia Reese	

# / THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Ellen Cronin by the Ladies Club

6:00 p.m.

#### May 6 - 13, 2018

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP	
Sunday	Church	8:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy	
-	Church	8:30 a.m.	First Communion Rite of Going Forth	
	Duffey Hall	9:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts	
	Church	6:00 p.m.	Confirmation Rite of Sending	
	Parish Center	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation Meeting	
Monday	St. Patrick	1:30 p.m.	SVDP	
_	Holy Family	6:30 p.m.	SoulCore	
	Duffey Hall	7:00 p.m.	Following Christ	
Tuesday	St. Therese	9:30 a.m.	Legion of Mary	
-	Church	7:00 p.m.	Choir	
	Gym	7:30 p.m.	Athletic Commission	
Wednesday	Church/PC	11:00 a.m.	Adventuresome Group	
	Duffey Hall	3:00 p.m.	Blood Drive	
	St. Therese	6:00 p.m.	Respect Life	
	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	Parish Council	
Thursday	Scout Room	6:30 p.m.	Girl Scout #2441	
	at Holy Spirit	7:00 p.m.	Grief Support	
	St. Therese	8:00 p.m.	AA	
Friday				
Saturday	Duffey Hall	9:00 a.m.	Following Christ Retreat	
	Blood Pressure	Blood Pressure Check after all weekend Masses.		
Sunday	Duffey Hall	9:30 a.m.	Mother's Day Breakfast	
	St. Therese	1:30 p.m.	Franciscan Associates	



We extend our condolences to *Dave Parris* on the death of his wife, **Jill Parris**, who passed away on April 22 and whose funeral liturgy was celebrated here on

April 28. Jill helped count our Sunday collection and she had an unwavering faith. Please keep all of Jill's family and friends in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. May God welcome Jill into his eternal glory.

## **SUMMER CAMP Plant, Grow, Bloom!**

#### Little Flower Summer Camp is now accepting registrations.

With activities and challenges for kids age 3 through 14, the Plant, Grow, Bloom program creates a safe, caring, FUN environment with an emphasis on developing the whole child (spiritually, intellectually, socially, emotionally, physically, and creatively). We offer flexible five-day tuition passes for \$140 that you may use for a whole week or over several weeks. Call the school office for registration information, 317-353-2282.



The Adventuresome Group will meet on Wednesday, May 9, following the 11 a.m. Mass. Make plans to join us for lunch and Wheel of Fortune games with a 500 Mile Race theme. Please call the Parish Center, 317-357-

8352, if you plan on coming.

#### **Bereavement Support**

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, May 10, 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 pclegg@littleflowerparish.org or 317-357-8352 x32.



#### **Spring Blood Drive**

Little Flower's Spring Blood Drive is Wednesday, May 9, from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Please consider donating. You may sign up

online at www.indianablood.org or by contacting Peggy Clegg at 317-357-8352 or pclegg@littleflowerparish.org. Walk-ins are also welcomed. Thank you for giving the gift of life!

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

> Andy Cavallaro, 9740 Woodsong Way, Indianapolis, IN 46229



(grades 8 thru 12)

Sunday, May 6 Youth Choir will sing at 6 p.m. Meet in church at 5 p.m.



#### Stewardship Spotlight for May

Coffee and Doughnuts

How sweet it is! The Coffee and Doughnuts ministry is really a social event that takes place most Sundays after 8:30 a.m. Mass until the 10:30 a.m. Mass in Duffey Hall. It

is about fellowship and fun! The Little Flower Chess Club meets for practice and parents of students participating in Religious Education find it an enjoyable place to connect and relax. Chairs of this ministry are Mandie Wade, Shannon Estrada, and Mike Haigerty. Volunteers are always welcome for setup or cleanup. Doughnuts are purchased early Sunday morning, coffee brewed and drinks made ready. The suggested free-will donation can't be beat — a cup of coffee (juice or milk) and a doughnut for a dollar! Stop in, visit, relax and enjoy!

#### **New Minister Schedule**

Eucharistic Ministers & Altar Servers, the new schedule for the months of June, July, and August will be coming out soon. Deadline date is May 8.

- Eucharistic Ministers, please send any changes to Ron Sharp via email <a href="mailto:duvkote@aol.com">duvkote@aol.com</a> or 317-356-3488.
- Altar Servers, please send changes to Lisa Gibbons at lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org or 317-357-8352 ext. 33.



# Mother's Day Breakfast hosted by Men's Club

All women of the Parish, 21 years old and over, are invited to the Mother's Day Breakfast on Sunday, May 13, after the 8:30

a.m. Mass, in Duffey Hall. Breakfast will be served at 10 a.m. Please start your Mother's Day off with breakfast on us!

Please be aware of a slight change this year. Instead of Bloody Marys and screwdrivers, we will be offering mimosas, wine drinks, and Virgin Marys along with coffee, water, and juices. This is a result of taking a closer look at our policies and to be in compliance with Indiana liquor laws for special events. As has always been the case, only adults age 21 and over should attend the breakfast due to the serving of alcoholic beverages. We thank you for your cooperation in making this a safe and fun event.

#### Attention Men of the Parish

Volunteers are needed for set-up and serving for the Mothers Day Breakfast. Set-up and food prep for the Breakfast will begin at 6:00 p.m. Saturday, May 12, in Duffey Hall. All volunteers who want to serve breakfast need to arrive no later than 8:30 a.m. on Sunday, May 13

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



Confirmation candidates and their parents and sponsors will attend 6 p.m. Mass on Sunday,

May 6, for the Rite of Sending. Following Mass, candidates and sponsors will attend the final session in the parish center from 7 p.m. until 9 p.m. Sponsors will attend this session.

The Mass and Rite of Confirmation will take place for our candidates on Thursday, May 17, at 7 p.m. at the Cathedral. Archbishop Thompson is scheduled to preside. All are welcome to attend this celebration.

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

Weekly Budget Goal	\$	13,500.00				
Collection of April 28 and April 29	\$	6,453.71				
Electronic Contributions 4/23 – 4/27	\$	1,902.00				
Fiscal Year 2017-2018 YTD Actual	\$	601,199.70				
Fiscal Year 2017-2018 YTD Budget	\$	594,000.00				
Fiscal Year 2017-2018 YTD	\$	7,199.70				
Home Improvement Fund						
February Contributions		1,799.83				
March Contributions	\$	2,105.33				
April Contributions	\$	2,668.83				

#### STEWARDSHIP INTENTION CARDS

To date we have only received 219 intention cards back from parishioners. This represents only 22% of our parish families. It only takes a few minutes, so if you have not returned your card, please fill it out and return it to the parish center or drop it in the collection as soon as possible. Extra cards are available at the church doors if needed.

### CYO Camp is hiring!

#### **Summer Staff**

Positions available:

General Staff, Adventure, Challenge Course Counselor, and Wrangler.

Training is provided; start date May 27, 2018.

#### **School Year Program Staff**

Program Staff coordinate and facilitate Outdoor Education, Retreats, Family Camps, Community and Leadership programs. This experience includes living in community while working together to create and implement faith based programs and retreats.

#### Choose:

9 month commitment (August 5, 2018 - May 25, 2019) Fall Semester 2018 (August 5, 2018 - Nov. 10, 2018) Spring Spring 2019 (March 6 - May 25)

Complete the online APPLICATION at http://www.campranchoframasa.org/camp-counselor.html



Fr. Joe Moriarty (son of the Parish)
Invites you to a Mass celebrating
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at Little Flower Parish
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to Therese Brandon at 317-409-4100.

## **SCECINA NEWS**

#### **Future Crusaders**

Scecina is accepting applications for the Crusader Class of 2022. Please visit scecina.org/ admissions for more information and to apply. Many scholarships, including some new scholarships, are available. Learn more at scecina.org/scholarships

#### Summer Camp at Scecina

Discover Summer Opportunities at Scecina! Scecina summer camps provide a safe, supervised place for children in grades 1-8. We offer enrichment camps, such as Bricks 4 Kidz, Robotics, Math Games, Safe Sitter and theatre. We also have several Crusader camps for sports, including basketball, track, soccer, cheerleading, and more. Visit www.scecina.org/camps to register.

#### Scecina Spring concert: Golden Years of High School

Scecina music groups will perform their Spring Concert at 3 p.m. Sunday, May 6. The concert, "Golden Years of High School," will feature performances by the Beginning Mixed Chorus, the Women's Chorus, and the Advanced Choir, band and orchestra.

## Save the Date

The Parish Life Commission will be sponsoring 3 events this summer.

- Our first event will be St. Mary of the Woods on Saturday, June 16. We will depart from Little Flower at 7:30 a.m. and return around 4:30 p.m.
- We are also planning another Little Flower Night at Victory Field on Friday, July 13. Game time will be at 7:15 p.m., and there will be fireworks following the game.
- Our final summer event is the Parish Picnic on Sunday, August 19, following the 10:30 a.m. Mass. It will be on the parish grounds. Watch the bulletin for more information about these events.

Share shith!

## **FESTIVAL NEWS**

## SUMMERFEST 2018 – June 1, 2, and 3

#### Permit #146498

NEW THIS YEAR! - Want to help at Summerfest? Why not sponsor a keg? For just \$50.00 you or a group can sponsor a keg. During the festival, the name(s) of the individual(s) will be posted on the beer wagon while that keg is being tapped. The \$50.00 also includes one free 16 ounce beer at the festival. Contact Angie in the parish center at <a href="maintain.amackell@littleflowerparish.org">amackell@littleflowerparish.org</a> if you are interested in sponsoring a keg.

<u>RAFFLE!</u> Please do your best to turn in as many tickets as possible. Extras are available at all the church doors. The raffle has potential to bring money in from outside the parish, and that is always very helpful. Because the raffle is so important to our success, we are going to provide weekly updates on where we stand. We hope you will help us meet our goal!

Last year raffle sales totaled \$22,875.00. Our goal this year is to sell as many tickets as we did last year. It will take a lot of effort to match last year's results. This include all tickets sold prior to and during the festival.

Total tickets sold as of 5/1/18	\$ 3,540.00
Same time last year	\$ 2,255.00
Goal	\$ 22,875.00
If only ½ of our households turned in \$100 in tickets	\$ 48,000.00

This year we are again very fortunate to have not one but two beautiful pieces of stained glass art donated to us to be raffled off. The winner gets first choice. The artist has spent over \$400, two trips to Nashville, IN, one trip to North Vernon, and many, many hours putting them together. 100% of the proceeds go to Little Flower.

Because of your generosity last year, we raised \$2300 and hope to reach \$3000 this year. CAN YOU HELP??? Will you help?? Tickets are very reasonable, and the more you spend, the more free tickets you get.

6 For \$5.00---13 for \$10.00---28 for \$20.00---75 for \$50.00 and anything in between will get you the appropriate amount of tickets.

Please send a check made out to Little Flower (will take cash but prefer a check), and mail it to Steve Wright at 915 N Hawthorne Lane, Indianapolis, IN 46219. The drawing is on Sunday, June 3, at 4 PM at the closing of the silent auction. You do NOT have to be present to win, but please enclose your phone number so we can call you when YOU win. We will ship if necessary.

This weekend and next weekend (May 5/6 and 12/13,) you will have the opportunity to sign up to volunteer for SUMMERFEST. Check the sign-up sheets in the gathering area after all Masses on those two weekends.

Presale tickets for festival rides will be available in church after weekend Masses on May 19/20 and May 26/27. Please plan to purchase tickets in advance, as they are less expensive for you and the percentage of profit for the parish is greater on advance sale tickets! You may also purchase advance sale tickets in the parish office from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m., Monday thru Friday, beginning May 14.

YARD SIGNS - DO YOU LIVE ON A BUSY STREET? Call Jeannie at the Parish Center at 317-357-8352 if you are willing to display a yard sign advertising the festival. Please call the parish center even if you had a sign last year so we know it is OK to place one in your yard again.

**USED BOOK SALE** – Please bring your donations of good 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.



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