Return to me with your whole *heart*.

Joel 2:12

Lent 40 Days

ST. THERESE - LITTLE FLOWER ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES Mass

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Christ in the Wildemess

Saturday: 5:00 PM 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.

Secretary Available 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM PARISH CENTER 357-8352

OFFICE HOURS:

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.

Monday - Friday 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Fax

357-5316

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.

First Sunday Of LENT

Dear Parish Family,

During Lent, our RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) and RCIC (Rite of Christian Initiation of Children) catechumens begin their final preparation for the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist which they will receive at the Easter Vigil Liturgy. Last Sunday at the 8:30 a.m. Mass we celebrated the Rite of Sending. We, as a community, sent our catechumens to the Cathedral for the Rite of Election. 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 declared them ready to take part in the Sacraments of Initiation.

This Wednesday, March 13, is the 6^{th} anniversary of the election of Pope Francis. Please pray for him this Wednesday:

O God, who in your providential design willed that your Church be built upon blessed Peter, whom you set over the other Apostles, look with favor, we pray, on Francis our Pope and grant that he, whom you have made Peter's successor, may be for your people a visible source and foundation of unity in faith and of communion. Through Christ, our Lord.

Because Little Flower School will be closed on Friday, this week's All-School Mass will be Thursday morning at 8:30 a.m. All are welcome to attend. There will be **no** Friday 8:30 a.m. Mass.

Please note the announcement about our need for Eucharistic ministers. We especially need Eucharistic ministers and head Eucharistic ministers at the Sunday 6:00 p.m. Mass. In other words, we need some new people to volunteer as Eucharistic ministers and we need some current Eucharistic ministers to volunteer to become head ministers. If you can help, please let Ron Sharp know at duvkote@aol.com or (317) 356-3488. Thank you.

This year our Lenten Penance Service will be Monday, March 25, at 7:00 p.m. at Our Lady of Lourdes. Several priests will be available for confessions. Please mark your calendars now.

Once again, I have noticed increasing numbers of people chewing gum at Mass. Please do not chew gum in church.

Thank you once again for all the prayers, well-wishes, and cards. As I mentioned last week, I have a consultation with a surgeon this Tuesday, March 12.

Have a wonderful week.

fr. bob

Gabriel Project Baby Banks

Our Lenten Baby Banks will be at all the doors of Church and are to be returned on Palm Sunday. Your contributions support our Gabriel Project, as well as our Right to Life Committee, and the Immigrant Welcome Center. Thank you for all you do for the Gabriel Project.

††† Masses For The Week

For the Week of March 11 -17, 2019

11	March	Monday
	5:30 p.m.	For the Intentions of Fr. Bob Gilday and his
		Health
12	March	Tuesday
	5:30 p.m.	Communion Service
13	March	Wednesday
	11:00 a.m.	Norm McCarty by Bob and Mary Sitzman
	5:30 p.m.	Communion Service
14	March	Thursday
	8:30 a.m.	For the Intentions of Charlie Goodman
	5:30 p.m.	Communion Service
15	March	Friday
	5:30 p.m.	Way of the Cross & Communion Service
16	March	Saturday – Vigil of the Second Sunday of Lent
	5:00 p.m.	Joyce Whalen by Martin Hanley and Family
17	March	Sunday – The Second Sunday of Lent
	8:30 a.m.	Mary B. Moriarty Adams by Bobbie and Bob
		Lawless
	10:30 a.m.	Joseph Patrick Watts by Jim and Theresa Dinn
	6:00 p.m.	For the People

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

March 10 - 17, 2019

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP
Sunday	Daylight Savings	Time Begins	– Spring Forward!
	Church	8:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy
	School	9:30 a.m.	Religious Ed
	School	9:30 a.m.	RCIA for Children
	Duffey Hall	9:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts
Monday	St. Therese	6:30 p.m.	SoulCore
	Scout Room &	6:30 p.m.	Scouts
	Holy Family		
	Duffey Hall	7:00 p.m.	Following Christ
Tuesday	St. Therese	9:30 a.m.	Legion of Mary
	St. Therese	7:00 p.m.	RCIA
	Church	7:00 p.m.	Choir
	Gym	7:30 p.m.	Little Flower Athletic
			Commission
Wednesday	Church/PC	11:00 a.m.	Adventuresome Group
	St. Therese	6:00 p.m.	Respect Life
	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	Parish Council
Thursday	St. Therese	8:00 p.m.	AA
Friday	Duffey Hall	4:30 p.m.	Fish Fry
Saturday	New Parishioner Registration after all Masses.		after all Masses.
Sunday	Happy St. Patrick's Day		
	Church	8:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy
	School	9:30 a.m.	RCIA for Children
	Duffey Hall	9:30 a.m.	Coffee and Dounts
	Church	7:00 p.m.	Youth Choir Practice

Our Sympathy

We extend our condolences to the *Michelle Reese and Judy Steffey and their families* on the death of their mother, **Pat Reese**, who passed away on February 26 and whose funeral liturgy was celebrated here on March 9. Pat was 91 years young and a longtime parishioner. She was a woman of great faith, one of the original members of the Funeral Luncheon Committee, an usher, and a member of the Ladies Club. Please keep all of Pat's family and friends in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. May God welcome Pat into his eternal glory.

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

Annual Little Flower Wine Trip

"Tired of the rain downpour? The Little Flower Ladies Club would like to invite you to another type of "pour!" The annual Little Flower Wine Trip will occur on April 27, 2019. We will be visiting Winzerwald, French Lick and Cedar Creek Wineries. All tastings, lunch at the French Lick Café, transportation, and snacks are included in the \$75.00 cost. Payment should be made via check to the Little Flower Ladies Club marked in an envelope titled "LF Wine Trip," in the collection or via mail. Payment may also be made in person at the Parish Center. Transportation will be leaving promptly at 8:30 a.m. and arrive home by 9:00 p.m. Reservations/payment is due no later than April 8.

The Little Flower **Following Christ Program** will be March 11, 18, 25; April 1, 8, 29; & May 6 from 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. The Following Christ Retreat will be on April 27 from 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. All sessions will be in the school cafeteria. If you attended Discovering Christ last year and were unable to attend Following Christ, please consider joining us this year. Please contact Bernie Sponsel at <u>Bernardsponsel@yahoo.com</u> or the Parish Office, 317-357-8352 to register for Following Christ.



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Last week Jesus said to his disciples: "Every tree is known by its own fruit." This week Jesus says, "You shall worship the Lord, your God, and him alone shall you serve." Our topic for the lesson on

Tuesday, March 12 will be *The People of God*, and Mike Haigerty will present. We begin at 7:00 p.m. in the parish center and we will finish at 8:30 p.m. Light refreshments and snacks are provided. Have questions? Email <u>carvin@littleflowerparish.org</u> or call the Parish Center 317-357-8352. All are welcome!

The Eastside Catholic Cohort will present a program on Drug Abuse. This is the third session from Archbishop Thompson's We Are One in Christ: A Pastoral Letter on Fundamentals of Christian Anthropology.

Afflicted and Affected: Lives Impacted by Addiction Thursday, March 14, 2019 7 p.m. Holy Spirit Catholic Church

Addiction afflicts many, and affects even more. Join us for a lively discussion of what signs to look for in identifying substance abuse, and what to do in response to this difficult problem with a loved one. Information will be provided to help overcome the grips of addiction by accessing support and resources.

Our speaker is Christine Turo-Shields, ACSW, LCSW, LCAC, a coowner of Kenosis Counseling Center. Christine has a wealth of experience in over 30 years providing therapy for those who suffer from addiction, depression, anxiety, and trauma issues.

We hope you will join friends from the Eastside Catholic Community for a thought provoking session. Please encourage teenagers and young adults to attend as well.



The Adventuresome Group will meet on Wednesday, March 13 after the 11:00 a.m. Mass in the Parish Center to celebrate St. Patrick's Day. Please call the parish office, 317-357-8452, if you plan on

attending. Don't forget to wear green!!

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:

> Vicki Pedro 1932 N Layman, Indianapolis, IN 46218

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Each week there is a name of a home bound or ill parishioner in the bulletin requesting cards be sent to that person. We would like to expand this section of the

bulletin to include names of parishioners who are ill, as well as names of those serving in the military. If you or someone in your family is ill or serving our country and would like their name listed in the bulletin so others can pray for them please contact Peggy Clegg at 317-357-8352 or <u>pclegg@littleflowerparish.org</u>. Please indicate when calling if the person you want listed is ill or a member of the military. No name will be listed unless we get a request from an individual or family member. Names will be removed from the list upon request of each individual or family member.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

"Stewardship is not just about one or another aspect of our faith lives; it is about all of it. It is the overarching and foundational spirituality that shapes our entire existence." Bishop Carl A. Kemme

Weekly Budget Goal		13,550.00
Collection of March 2 and 3	\$	11,453.75
Electronic Contributions 2/25 – 3/1		6,244.00
Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Actual		474,373.73
Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Budget	\$	487,800.00
Fiscal Year 2018-2019 YTD DEFICIT	\$	- 13,426.27
<u>Home Improvement Fund</u>		
January Contributions		2,321.83
February Contributions		2,142.33
March Contributions (to date)	\$	1,374.50

United Catholic Appeal (gifts processed as of 2/28)

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The Archdiocesan United Catholic Appeal, Christ Our Hope, has been going on for about 18 weeks, and as you can see we are still about \$19,000 short of our goal, and only 16% 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	\$ 50,658.00
# of gifts received or pledges	144
Amount of gifts received or pledged	\$ 31,738.00

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

Scecina News

Future Crusaders

Enrollment is open for eighth-graders looking to attend Scecina next school year. Apply now to join the freshman Class of 2023 in the 2019-20 school year. For more information, visit scecina.org/admissions

Scholarships for 8th graders

Scecina offers several scholarships for incoming freshmen. Visit scecina.org/scholarships.

Once On This Island

Scecina's spring musical, "Once On This Island," will be performed on the Scecina stage at 7 p.m. Friday, March 22, and Saturday, March 23.

Help Wanted

There is a part-time position open in Scecina's Crusader Cafe. Interested persons should contact Julie Brown at jbrown@scecina.org.

your attention please Festival News Summerfest 2019

May 31, June 1, and June 2

Believe it or not, **Summerfest 2019** is right around the corner. This year we are in need of a Food Booth Chair for the hamburger and hot dog booth. After many years of volunteering as Booth Chairs, Kurt and Mary Hunt are giving up the reins. Thank you Kurt and Mary for your many years of working the festival! Your dedication is greatly appreciated. The booth chair is responsible for making sure that there are workers at the booth during the entire festival. They are also responsible for making sure the workers that come at the beginning are able to arrive early to help with any prep work involved, and also to make sure the workers at the close of each night are able to stay and clean up their booth. You are not responsible for ordering food or supplies for the booth; this will be done for you. Food booth chairs also get a free festival tee shirt!!

We are also in need of someone to be responsible for getting workers to help with serving and clean up for the dinner on Saturday evening and the brunch on Sunday morning. You do not need to prepare the food – someone else is in charge of that – all you need to do is get workers to serve and clean up. If you are interested in helping chair a food booth or get workers for our dinner and brunch, please contact Angie Mackell at 317-357-8352 or <u>amackell@littleflowerparish.org</u>.

The Silent Auction team needs your help! Contact Elizabeth Mann (463-206-5196 or <u>edeputy1@yahoo.com</u>), or Andrea Johnson (317-340-5292) if you can donate!

- Are you an artisan or just plain crafty? Consider donating a unique, one of a kind, or handmade item. It can be a very special way to share your talent with our parish and help us reach our fundraising goal at the same time.
- Can you or your employer offer new goods or services valued in excess of \$25? Consider donating them!
- Are you a Colts or Pacers season ticket holder? Consider donating a pair (or more) of your tickets for just one game next year.

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

Marriage Encounter Weekends

Looking for a new way to let your spouse know you love them in the midst of your jobs, car-pooling the kids, and trying to keep up with your house, pool and yard? Tell him or her they're still Number 1 in your life. Share a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend with each other. Future Marriage Encounter Weekends will be at Our Lady of Fatima Retreat House, Indianapolis, from April 26 – 28, and from November 1 - 3, 2019, and at Mount Saint Francis Centre for Spirituality, New Albany, from August 16 – 18, 2019. Visit www.wwme.org for further information.

BIBLE STUDY

Got Bible? Need Bible? Does the Bible speak to you? Is the Bible relevant to you? Read God's love letter to you! Coming soon to Little Flower Parish... Unlocking the Mysteries of the Bible, an eight week Wednesday night series in the cafeteria, 7:00-8:30 p.m. Dates: 3/27, 4/3, 4/10, 4/24, 5/1, 5/8, 5/22, 5/29. Cost: \$20.00 (includes all materials) To register: please call or text Cac Diehr at 317-501-0060 or email at <u>cac.diehr@gmail.com</u> Hosted by the Invite Commission.

Sample Bible Timelines are available in the baskets near the Altar. Registration will be held on March 9/10 at the tables in the back of Church. Registration closes March 10 so materials can be ordered.

Ladies Club Annual Bedding Plant Sale

Order forms are at all church entrances for the Ladies Club annual bedding plant sale. Orders must be submitted by March 29 to the Parish Center, or you may drop them in the Sunday collection basket. Please include payment with your orders. Pick-up will be on Saturday, May 4, from 12 p.m. - 3 p.m. Just in time for Mother's Day!



Come One! Come All! Please join us on Fridays during Lent through April 12 for a wonderful Lenten meal! 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 Fry a success!

Just Desserts, Ladies!

The Ladies Club provides the desserts each week for the fish fry. 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!

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(grades 8 thru 12) YOUTH CHOIR - new members are always welcome!

Sunday, March 17	Practice in church, 7 p.m. until 8:15 p.m.
Sunday, March 24	We will NOT sing this Sunday
Sunday, March 31	We will NOT sing this Sunday
Sunday, April 7	Sing at 6 p.m. Mass, meeting in church at 5 p.m.



News From Cathedral High School

Cathedral Trivia Night 2019

Celebrate St. Patrick's Day weekend with Cathedral's annual Trivia Night, March 23, at the Northside Knights of Columbus! Trivia, games, prizes, surprise VIP guests, live band, and more! Wine and beer will be provided. Bring your own unique food or appetizers to share, rally a team of 10 together and decorate your team's table for added fun! Register at www.gocathedral.com/trivia.

Easter Egg Hunt

All are welcome to join the fun and meet the Easter Bunny at the annual Easter Egg Hunt, April 20 at 9:00 AM, hosted by the Cathedral Alumni Association. Bring your own Easter basket as there are hundreds of eggs to find, arts & crafts, activities, and family fun! A catered breakfast will be provided. To register: www.gocathedral.com/alumni/alumnievents/easter

Cathedral High School Placement Test Summer Academy

Current 7th graders who want to maximize their potential for success on the High School Placement Test might want to consider Cathedral's High School Placement Test Summer Academy. For an early bird price of only \$85 for students who register by May 15, students can take a practice placement test on a Monday, receive direct instruction from Math and English teachers for three days, and take another practice test on a Friday. Plus, students receive a free test prep book (\$20 value) at the end of the course! Prepare for success on the test, and earn scores that can be used for admission and/or merit scholarships during 8th grade. Choose from mornings or afternoons during one of the two weeks—June 10-14 or July 15-19. Visit www.gocathedral.com/hsptacademy or call (317) 968-7370 to learn more!

Camp Cathedral

Cathedral High School's Summer Camps are open for registration at www.campcathedral.com. Camp Cathedral runs from June 3-July 26 and includes half-day single camps and all-day combo camps. Before and after care is available! Families can choose from over 35 sports camps and nearly 50 enrichment camps. Camps are age specific with offerings for Kindergartners through 9th graders! Make new friends and new memories! But hurry, as popular camps fill up quickly. Find more information and to sign up go to www.campcathedral.com.

The Ave Maria Guild of St. Paul Hermitage Rummage Sale

The Ave Maria Guild of St. Paul Hermitage will have a Rummage Sale on Friday, March 29 from 8:30 A.M. to 2:30 P.M., held at St. Paul Hermitage, 501 N. 17th Avenue, Beech Grove. Donations welcomed on Wednesday Only, March 27, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Please call Vicki Goss at 223-3687 with any questions. All proceeds will benefit St. Paul Hermitage.



