# ST. THERESE - LITTLE FLOWER

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#### SCHEDULE OF SERVICES Mass

At-Large Member

At-Large Member

5:00 PM 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

PARISH CENTER 357-8352 Fax 357-5316

SCHOOL 353-2282 322-7702 Fax

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.

#### 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.

Dear Parish Family,

Days 4-7 of the Little Flower Novena will take place Monday through Thursday at 5:30 p.m. Each day will consist of the novena prayers, a reading from Fr. Ron Rolheiser, and a Communion Service.

Please mark your calendars for the Solemn Closing of the Little Flower Novena on Tuesday, October 1, at 5:30 p.m. and for the Parish Appreciation Brunch Sunday, October 6, in the Social Hall after the 10:30 a.m. Mass.

This Friday, September 27, is the feast of St. Vincent de Paul. We need to thank all the members of the Little Flower conference of the St. Vincent de Paul Society for their ministry to those in need within our parish boundaries. They are fulfilling Pope Francis' call to reach out to those on the peripheries.

September 27 is also the 59<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the death of Fr. William Vollmuth. Fr. Vollmuth was one of the most popular Little Flower associate pastors. He served at Little Flower from June 18, 1947 until October 7, 1957. In 1959, Fr. Vollmuth became the founding pastor of St. Jude Parish on the Southside.

Next Saturday, September 28, Fr. Mike Welch will be here for Mass and confessions. Please welcome him warmly. I lived with Fr. Mike for eighteen years at St. Christopher. Next Saturday I will celebrate my niece Meghan and her fiancé Evan Siegrist's wedding here at Little Flower and then attend their reception.

This past Tuesday, actually the feast of St. Robert Bellarmine, my patron saint, I completed my radiation treatments. Thank you once again for all the prayers, cards, and well wishes. I truly believe that it was because of your prayers that I did not have any unpleasant side effects. However, I would ask for your continued prayers. We will not know the results of the treatment for approximately six weeks. At that time, I will have my PSA checked and see the radiation oncologist for the results. Also, on September 12, I saw my primary care doctor for my annual physical. One of my blood result numbers was off. I will need to have that re-checked in mid October.

There is one correction to my homily last Sunday. The last two years the school was slightly over 50% non-Catholic. I just found out that this year the school is 52% Catholic.

Finally, this past week we had to throw away one of our relatively new hymnals because a child had drawn in it and stuck candy in it. New hymnals are not inexpensive. Also, most of our hymnals were purchased by parishioners to honor loved ones. This particular hymnal was donated by a parishioner to honor her deceased husband. Parents, please make sure your small children do not play with hymnals and that your older children treat them with respect.

Have a wonderful week.

fr. bob

Emmaus Group
Starting on October 13, young adults are welcome to come for a
bible study with fellowship on the second and third Sundays of
each month in the parish center after 6:00 p.m. Mass. We will meet
to read the gospel passage from that Sunday and have a discussion.
Snacks will be provided. Please contact Rachel Shaffer to RSVP or
if you have any questions at shafferr305@gmail.com.



#### For the Week of September 23 - 29, 2019

23	September	Monday			
	5:30 p.m.	St. Therese Novena & Communion Service			
24	September	er Tuesday			
	5:30 p.m.	St. Therese Novena & Communion Service			
25	September	Wednesday			
	5:30 p.m.	St. Therese Novena & Communion Service			
26	September	Thursday			
	1:30 p.m.	Crestwood - Souls in Purgatory by John T Kelly			
	5:30 p.m.	St. Therese Novena & Communion Service			
27	September	Friday			
	8:30 a.m.	Susan Belanger by Dick and Peg Kramer			
	5:30 p.m.	No Communion Service			
28	September	Saturday – Vigil of The 26 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time			
	5:00 p.m.	Delia Gilday			
29	September	Sunday – The Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time			
	8:30 a.m.	For the Intentions of Mark and Catherine			
	10:30 a.m.	Amy Spalding by the Spalding Family			
	6:00 p.m.	For the Parish			

## THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

#### September 22 - 29, 2019

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP	
Sunday	New Parishion	er Registration	after all Masses.	
	Church	8:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy	
	Duffey Hall	9:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts	
	Duffey Hall	9:30 a.m.	Religious Ed	
	Duffey Hall	9:30 a.m.	Chess Practice	
	Church	5:00 p.m. Youth Choir Prac		
			Sing at 6:00 p.m. Mas	
	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation Meeting	
Monday	St. Patrick	11:30 a.m.	SVDP	
392	Holy Family	6:00 p.m.	Cub Scouts	
	& Scout	1000		
	Room			
	St. Therese	6:30 p.m.	SoulCore	
	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	Sharing Christ	
	Duffey Hall	7:00 p.m.	Bible Study	
Tuesday	St. Therese	9:30 a.m.	Legion of Mary	
	St. Patrick	6:15 p.m.	Chess Practice	
	St. Therese	7:00 p.m.	RCIA	
	Church	7:00 p.m.	Choir	
	John 23 <sup>rd</sup>	7:00 p.m.	Parish Life Commission	
Wednesday	Duffey Hall	6:00 p.m.	LF Grades K – 3	
			Welcome Ice Cream	
			Social	
	St. Therese	7:00 p.m.	Men's CRHP	
Thursday	St. Therese	8:00 p.m.	AA	
Friday	Church	5:00 p.m.	Wedding Rehearsal	
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Saturday	Church	2:30 p.m.	Wedding	
Sunday	Church	8:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy	
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RCIA will meet again on Tuesday, September 24, from 7 -8:30 p.m. in the parish center. Our topic will be The Holy Trinity. Please join us!



Little Flower Religious Education (CCD) for children in kindergarten to 8th grade who attend public schools started on September 22 but it is not too late to join us!. We will meet on most Sundays from 9:30 a.m. - 10:25 a.m. If you have any questions or to register for Religious Ed, please email Lisa at lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org, or call 317-357-8352 ext. 33.

#### ATTENTION ALUMNI!

On Saturday, November 2, we will host the annual Little Flower School All-Class Reunion. Reserve this date, and please pass the word to Little Flower School Alumni! Details to follow.



One tradition that has lasted almost from the beginning of the parish is the annual novena to St. Therese. The novena continues this week on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday in church at 5:30 p.m. There will not be a service on

Friday this week. The service will consist of novena prayers, a reflection, and a Communion Service. The Solemn Closing of the Novena (day 9) will take place at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday,

We will celebrate the Feast of St. Therese at all the Masses on the weekend of October 5 & October 6.

#### **SCENCINA CLASS OF 1959 60<sup>th</sup> REUNION**

Join your fellow classmates for our 60th Reunion/Get-together on Saturday, October 5, 2019.

> Place – Jockamo Upper Crust Pizza (Fort Harrison) 9165 Otis Avenue, Indianapolis, 317-986-4545 Time – 3:00 p.m. – get reacquainted – drinks 4:00 p.m. and after order from the menu.

> RSVP – Barb Yohler Schura: cuttingback@aol.com Fran Corsaro Moss: franmoss@gmail.com

> Monica Meyer McCoy: mccoymonica@hotmail.com

# Our Sympathy We remember our parishioner, Katie White, who passed

away on September 11 and whose funeral liturgy was celebrated here on September 18. Katie was 87 years young and a parishioner at Little Flower for more than 50 years. During that time she was involved in several different ministries including festival booth chair, funeral lunches, and taking Communion to our homebound parishioners. Katie has several relatives in our parish: Maureen Battles, daughter; Mike Battles, son in law; Anthony, Joseph, Aiden & William Battles, grandsons; and Jeanne O'Gara, sister-in-law. We extend our sympathy to each of them and to all of Katie's family and friends. May God welcome Katie into his eternal glory.

#### STEWARDSHIP CORNER

#### Your Gifts of Treasure

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Weekly Budget Goal	\$	13,550.00
Collection of September 14 and 15	\$	6,995.58
Electronic Contributions 9/9 – 9/13	\$	2,159.67
Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Actual	\$	150,029.36
Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Budget	\$	162,600.00
Fiscal Year 2019-2020 YTD DEFICIT	\$	- 12,570.64
Home Improvement Fun	ıd	
July Contributions	\$	2,539.83
August Contributions	\$	2,198.83
September Contributions (to date)	\$	1,507.33

#### Right to Life of Indianapolis

Star Parker will speak at the Right to Life of Indianapolis dinner, Tuesday, October 1. Come hear Star Parker, syndicated columnist, founder and president of the Center for Urban Renewal and Education (C.U.R.E.), at Right to Life of Indianapolis Annual Celebrate Life Dinner. Be a part of building a pro-life culture in Central Indiana!

WHEN: Tuesday, October 1, 6 p.m. WHERE: Indianapolis Marriott Downtown

Registration is \$75 per person; tables of 10 available for \$750. Register online at www.rtlindy.org, or call the Right to Life of Indianapolis office (317) 582-1526 to make your reservation over the phone.



On Sunday, September 22, there will be a meeting for all young adults and their parents who might be interested in preparing for the sacrament of Confirmation this year. Confirmation preparation is open to all youth in grades 9 thru 12. The meetings will take place in the parish center at 7 p.m. (immediately after 6 p.m. Mass). Attendance at this meeting is essential for anyone who wants to prepare for Confirmation in the spring of 2020. Please call Chris at 317-270-2930 if you have any questions.

We are also looking for confirmed high school youth interested in helping on the confirmation team. Please call or email carvin@littleflowerparish.org if you are interested. This will count towards high school service hours.



#### **Fall Blood Drive**

Little Flower's Fall Blood Drive is Sunday, October 13, from 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. This year

the Blood Mobile will be used and will be in the parking lot. Please consider donating. You may sign up online at <a href="https://www.donorpoint.org/donor/schedules/drive\_schedule/132702">https://www.donorpoint.org/donor/schedules/drive\_schedule/132702</a> or by contacting Peggy Clegg at 317-357- 8352 or pclegg@littleflowerparish.org. This year's Blood Drive is in memory of Xavier Wier who passed away on April 8, 2019 at the age of 16. Walk-ins are welcome, but it is better if you sign up in advance! Please consider giving the gift of life! Your donation gives another person the chance for one more birthday, one more anniversary, another day at the beach, another day with a friend, another hug, and another laugh!

Please keep our ill and homebound parishioners in your thoughts and prayers, especially the following people who have requested prayers for various reasons:

Bill Ajamie, Karen Ajamie, Esther Capps, Rita Foley, Ed Galluzzi, Roberta Galluzzi, Gene Miller, Joe Swift, Dave Parris, Denice Rose, Martha Haddin, Gary Walters, Haydee Gloria, Dottie Spalding.

If you get a chance, please send them a card or a note. It will really brighten their day. This week we especially want to remember:

#### Ed Galluzzi 1310 N Cecil Avenue, Indianapolis, IN 46219

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 pclegg@littleflowerparish.org.



Please welcome into our Christian community Ella Julianne, daughter of Clint and Emily (Nixon) Kirkhoff

who was baptized on Sunday, September 15, 2019.



#### Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Parish Fall Festival

October 3, 4, & 5 (Thursday – Saturday) Carnival Rides, Food, Games, Live

Entertainment, Silent Auction, Rummage Sale, Raffles, Texas Poker, \$5,000 Grand Prize Raffle and More! For more information, visit us at <a href="https://www.ollindy.org">www.ollindy.org</a> or on Facebook @ollfallfest.

Cash Only Event. ATM available in the gym lobby Gaming License #150386

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

#### Join us!

Thursday, October 3 as The Ladies Club Presents: A VISIT TO LISIEUX with CINDY WOODS

7 p.m. IN THE CAFETERIA

Experience a first-hand visit to Lisieux and enjoy some French inspired refreshments and door prizes.

All are welcome

#### Little Flower PTO News

Little Flower students will be collecting pledges over the next couple of weeks for our annual PTO Walk-a-thon Fundraiser. Help us reach our \$6,000 goal by supporting your favorite students with a monetary donation. Dollars raised will fund over 20 field trips this year as well as provide each student with an article of Spirit Wear that can be worn on field trips, Spirit Days, and other special occasions.

The event is October 4. Any and all parishioners are invited to come out and cheer the students on as the walk laps around the Scecina baseball diamond. More information about the event can be found on the school website under the "parents" tab. https://www.littleflowerparishschool.org/parents.

#### Scecina Sacred Music Concert

Scecina Memorial High School's choirs will perform their annual Sacred Music Concert at 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 3, at Little Flower Catholic Church. The event is free and open to the public. All are welcome!



(grades 8 thru 12)

**YOUTH CHOIR** will sing on Sunday, September 22 and Sunday, October 6, meeting in church at 5 p.m. to prepare for 6 p.m. Mass.

"Being and Belonging...A Retreat for Separated and Divorced Catholics" will take place **Friday through Sunday, October 4 – 6, 2019** at Fatima Retreat House, 5353 E. 56th Street in Indianapolis. You are invited to relax as you journey with others listening to their stories and exploring a common loss. The program will help deepen your understanding of the healing process, increase your sense of belonging, and help you affirm that God is with you in your struggles and hope. To register contact Khristine Meyer at Fatima Retreat House via email or phone at <a href="mailto:kmeyer@archindy.org">kmeyer@archindy.org</a> of 317-545-7681. You can also register online by going to <a href="https://www.archindy.org/fatima/register.html">https://www.archindy.org/fatima/register.html</a>. For more information contact the Office of Marriage and Family Life at 317-592-4007 or email <a href="mailto:gross@archindy.org">gross@archindy.org</a>.

#### Attention Pro-life voters!

Right to Life of Indianapolis is preparing tools to assist the pro-life community in making informed decisions on Election Day. Are you registered to vote? Moved? Turned 18 or will be 18 years old by Election Day? Need to vote absentee or vote early? College students need help to register and vote? Need help finding your polling place? On-line answers to all of these questions and more can be found at: <a href="https://indianavoters.in.gov/">https://indianavoters.in.gov/</a>

#### Deadline to register to vote is October 7!

Deadline for applications for mailed ballots (absentee voting) is October 24! (Note: For registered voters to print absentee ballot applications and locate the address of their county elections office, click on the "check voting status" button.)

#### Municipal Election Day is November 5! Make your voices heard!

For more information or to see how you can help, contact: Right of Life of Indianapolis at 317-582-1526, or email <a href="life@rtlindy.org">life@rtlindy.org</a>. You can also visit us on the Web at <a href="https://www.rtlindy.org">www.rtlindy.org</a> or on our Facebook page.

# Little Flower Parish FEAST DAYand Appreciation Celebration

# PLEASE Join Us!



In a spirit of thankfulness and celebration for your year-long gifts of time, talent, and treasure, Fr. Bob and the staff of Little Flower request the presence of you and your family at a special brunch for <u>all</u> parishioners.

The purpose of this meal is to celebrate everything that is great about Little Flower—YOU!

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6

IN DUFFEY HALL IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE 10:30AM FEAST DAY MASS

Brunch will be provided, so you don't need to bring anything!

R.S.V.P. to the Parish Center 317-357-8352, ext 31 or jzimmerman@littleflowerparish.org on or before September 30.





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