

ST. THERESE - LITTLE FLOWER

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Mass

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.

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

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,

The Little Flower Novena will continue Monday evening at 5:30 p.m.

Tuesday, October 1, is the Feast of St. Therese. There will be an All-School Mass on Tuesday at 8:30 a.m.

The Solemn Closing of the Little Flower Novena will be Tuesday, October 1, at 5:30 p.m. The Solemn Closing will consist of the traditional procession with the relic of St. Therese with those preparing for First Communion dropping rose petals, the novena prayers, and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. I hope that many of you will make a special effort to attend. In 1927, the first year of the novena, 1500 persons were present for the closing!

We will also celebrate the Feast of St. Therese at all the Masses next weekend, October 5 and 6.

Likewise, I hope many of you will be able to attend the **Parish Appreciation Brunch next Sunday, October 6, in the Social Hall after the 10:30 a.m. Mass.** This brunch is a "thank

you" for the time, talent, and treasure generously given by our parishioners that make our parish the wonderful faith community that we all enjoy. Please come and allow us to show our gratitude in this small way. Everything will be provided, so just bring yourselves. Please RSVP to the parish center at 317-357-8352 as soon as possible.

Sunday morning Religious Education began last Sunday. It is not too late to attend Religious Ed for children in grades kindergarten through 8th grade who do not attend Catholic Schools. We meet most Sundays from 9:30 a.m. until 10:25 a.m. Please check out the announcement about religious education elsewhere in the bulletin.

The Parish Life Commission is sponsoring a Blood Drive in honor of Xavier Weir on Sunday, October 13th from 9:00 a.m - 1:00 p.m. Xavier was shot and killed on April 8, 2019 at the age of 16. Please check elsewhere in the bulletin for more details about the blood drive.

Wednesday, October 2, is the feast of the Holy Guardian Angels. The very first prayer I learned in first grade was the Guardian Angel prayer. In those days, the seats of our school desks were benches rather than chairs. Sister Martine told us to sit on the left side of our bench so our guardian angel could sit next to us to our right and our bad angel would have to sit on the floor.

Thursday, October 3, which was formerly the Feast of St. Therese, is now the Feast of St. Mother Theodore Guerin, the foundress of the Sisters of Providence in Terre Haute and the principal patroness of the Archdiocese of Indianapolis. She is the only Indiana saint.

Friday, October 4, is the feast of St. Francis of Assisi. Please pray for the living and deceased Sisters of St. Francis from Oldenburg. Oldenburg Franciscans staffed Little Flower School from its beginning until approximately 1990.

Have a wonderful week.

fr. bob

Our Sympathy

We extend our sympathy to *Debbie Spalding and her family* on the death of her mother, **Dottie Spalding**, who died on September 21 and whose funeral liturgy was celebrated here on September 25. Dottie was 87 years young. She was a long time parishioner and through the years was involved with RCIA, Monday Morning Prayer Group, Wednesday Bible Study, Festival, Legion of Mary, Ladies Club, and taking Communion to the homebound, to name just a few. She was a very faith-filled woman and had a strong devotion to Mary, praying the Rosary daily. We extend our condolences to *Mindy Finlinson* on the death of her brother, **Matt Young**, *Rita Cooning and Trish Cooning* on the death of their sister-in-law/aunt, **Ellen Hughey**, *Ellen Corriden* on the death of her uncle, **Fr. Sebastian Leonard, O.S.B.**, and *Helena Rikke* on the death of her brother, **Lawrence Logan**. May God welcome Matt, Ellen, Fr. Sebastian, and Lawrence into his eternal glory.

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

NEW WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Effective weekend of November 30/December 1

Saturday	5:00 P.M.
Sunday	9:30 A.M.
Sunday	6:00 P.M.



Mass Intentions

For the Week of September 30 – October 6, 2019

30 September	Monday
5:30 p.m.	St. Therese Novena and Communion Service
01 October	Tuesday
8:30 a.m.	Patricia Hawkins by Chip and Lori Taylor
5:30 p.m.	Solemn Closing of the St. Therese Novena
02 October	Wednesday
5:30 p.m.	Tabitha Gregory by Mike Haigerty
03 October	Thursday
5:30 p.m.	Bud and Dorothy Moody by Bob and Bobbie Lawless
04 October	Friday
8:30 a.m.	For the Intentions of Janet and Paul Commiskey
5:30 p.m.	Communion Service
05 October	Saturday – Vigil of The 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00 p.m.	Jim Hawkins by David and Rachelle Hawkins
06 October	Sunday – The Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:30 a.m.	Sr. Juliann Babcock O.S.B
10:30 a.m.	For the Intentions of Bob and Bobbie Lawless by Legion of Mary
6:00 p.m.	For the People

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

September 29 – October 6, 2019

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP
Sunday	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
Monday	Duffey Hall	9:30 a.m.	Chess Practice
	John 23 rd	6:30 p.m.	Gabriel Project
	St. Therese	6:30 p.m.	SoulCore
Tuesday	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	Sharing Christ
	Duffey Hall	7:00 p.m.	Bible Study
	St. Therese	9:30 a.m.	Legion of Mary
Wednesday	St. Patrick	6:15 p.m.	Chess Practice
	St. Therese	7:00 p.m.	RCIA
	Church	7:00 p.m.	Choir
Thursday	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	School Commission
Friday	Duffey Hall	7:00 p.m.	Ladies Club
	Church	7:00 p.m.	Seccina Sacred Music Concert
	St. Therese	8:00 p.m.	AA
Saturday	Church Lawn	9:30 a.m.	Pet Blessing
Sunday	Church	8:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy
	Duffey Hall	11:30 a.m.	Parish Feast Day Brunch & Celebration
	Church	5:00 p.m.	Youth Choir Practice Sing at 6:00 p.m. Mass
	Parish Center	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation Prep



RCIA ...a journey in faith
Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

RCIA will meet again on Tuesday, October 1, from 7 – 8:30 p.m. in the parish center. Our topic will be *Who is Jesus Christ?* Please join us!

Seccina Sacred Music Concert

Seccina 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, October 6, meeting in Church at 5 p.m. to prepare for 6 p.m. Mass.



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 in Church at 5:30 p.m. 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 the 5:30 p.m. this Tuesday, October 1 and will include Benediction rather than a Communion Service.

We will celebrate the Feast of St. Therese at the all school Mass on Tuesday, October 1 at 8:30 a.m., and at all the Masses on the weekend of October 5/October 6.



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 www.ollindy.org or on Facebook @ollfallfest.

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

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.



Religious Education News

**IT'S NOT TOO LATE
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. **We meet next on Sunday, October 13.** If you have any questions or would like to join us, please email Lisa at lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org, or call 317-357-8352 ext. 33 to let us know you are coming.

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.

The Central Indiana Life Chain

The Central Indiana Life Chain is Sunday, October 6 from 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. During this hour we stand on Meridian street, hold an approved and provided sign and pray silently. This is an interfaith show of support for the respect for life of the unborn. Little Flower has been assigned to the area on the west side of Meridian from North Street to Walnut Street. That is in front of the Scottish Rite Cathedral. For questions call Peggy Kramer 317-625-4060. Please consider joining us.

SCENCINA CLASS OF 1959 60th 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

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

*Share
Your
Faith!*

Appreciation Brunch

Little Flower Parish Feast Day and Appreciation Celebration will be Sunday, October 6 following the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Brunch will be provided so you don't need to bring anything! Please RSVP to the parish center at 317-357-8352, ext. 31 or by email to jjzimmerman@littleflowerparish.org by Monday, September 30.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Your Gifts of Treasure

Weekly Budget Goal	\$	13,550.00
Collection of September 21 and 22	\$	6,582.79
Electronic Contributions 9/16 – 9/20	\$	7,991.91
Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Actual	\$	164,604.06
Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Budget	\$	176,150.00
Fiscal Year 2019-2020 YTD DEFICIT	\$	- 11,545.94

Home Improvement Fund

July Contributions	\$	2,539.83
August Contributions	\$	2,198.83
September Contributions (to date)	\$	2,078.24

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 https://www.donorpoint.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/132702 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, Denise Rose, Martha Haddin, Gary Walters, Haydee Gloria.

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:

Charles Aughe

1807 N Lynhurst Drive, Speedway, IN 46224

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.



*You are invited to join us for Soulcore
to exercise and pray the rosary on
most Mondays at 6:30 p.m. in the St.
Therese Room of the Parish Center.*



SoulCore

A contemplative workout that nourishes body and soul while meditating on the life of Jesus through the Rosary. SoulCore pairs core strengthening, stretching, and functional movement with the prayers of the Rosary. Please bring a mat or towel and 1 to 3 lb. weights (optional).

SoulCore is open to everyone regardless of age or ability. There is no charge for this physical-spiritual workout but free-will donations to charity are accepted. Questions? Call Joan at 317-727-1167 or go to www.Soulcore.com.

Sponsored by the Little Flower Ladies Club.

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On Sunday, October 6, after the 6 p.m. Mass we will begin our first session of preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation. It is open to all youth in grades 9 thru 12. We will meet in the

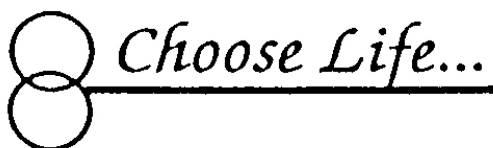
Parish Center and have small group activities that include: Bible "How to", Sacraments "signs and symbols," Holy Spirit activity, and candidates will receive their textbook! The session will be over by 9 p.m. **If you were unable to come to the information meeting, it is not too late to begin! Call or text Chris Arvin at 317-270-2930 and let me know you are coming!**



ANNUAL PET BLESSING

On Saturday, October 5, we will have our annual Blessing of Pets in honor of the Feast of St. Francis, patron saint of animals. We will begin at 9:30 a.m. in the grassy area between the church and the

school (Bosart lawn), due to another event being held in the main parking lot.



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 Secena baseball diamond. More information about the event can be found on the school website under the "parents" tab. <https://www.littleflowerparishschool.org/parents>.

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: <https://indianavoters.in.gov/>

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 life@rtlindy.org. You can also visit us on the Web at www.rtlindy.org or on our Facebook page.

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