# **ST. THERESE - LITTLE FLOWER ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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### SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Mass

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.

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

OFFICE HOURS:

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?

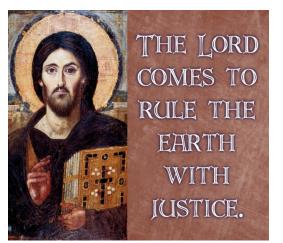
Inquiry Classes begin in late August as part of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). Call Parish Center for information.

### 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,

Thanks to all of you who completed and submitted your United Catholic Appeal pledge card and/or the food security survey. I am always uncomfortable filling out pledge cards during Mass. However, the Archdiocese requests that we do it during Mass. If you did not submit a pledge card for one reason or another, please return the pledge card you received in the mail. Additional pledge cards are available at the back of church if you no longer have your pledge card.

In case you were not at Mass last Sunday, I met with my radiation oncologist on November 7. From my blood work, it would appear that the treatments were successful. I have to return to my regular urologist in three months for another checkup. Thank you for all your prayers. I really believe that all the prayers made a real difference in my successful treatment and an even bigger difference in my ability to tolerate the radiation treatments without any significant side effects. Please continue praying for me.

In today's bulletin letter, I would like to share a little information about the first two of this year's Outstanding Alumni.

**Sr. Barbara Hileman, OSF, Class of 1947**: Barbara Hileman and her parents had lived in Indianapolis less than two years when her mother heard about the reputation that Little Flower School had, and she was determined that Barbara would begin school there. Her grade school years were happy ones for her. Incidentally, her class had more than 50 students in one classroom!

It was in her middle school years that Barbara had first thought about becoming a nun, but she put that thought aside until later high school years. After graduating from St. Mary Academy, Sister Barbara entered the convent, graduated from Marian College, and began a twenty-four year career in elementary education. She then moved into parish ministry until she responded to a request for sisters to serve the Navajo at a remote mission in New Mexico. Later she returned to Indianapolis to serve fourteen years as chaplain at St. Vincent Seton Specialty Hospital. Today Sr. Barbara is retired at the Motherhouse in Oldenburg. Sister Barbara is grateful to Little Flower for preparing her for an interesting, fulfilling and blessed life!

For her 68 years of service as an Oldenburg Franciscan, we honored Sr. Barbara Hileman, O.S.F., as an outstanding alumna of Little Flower Catholic School.

**Mike Boyle, Class of 1951:** From the time Mike was 4 years old, his family lived on Linwood Street near Nowland. Mike shared, "Little Flower and the neighborhood were my roots. I went all 8 years to Little Flower Grade School, graduating in 1951. LF was the cornerstone of my Catholic education." He graduated from Cathedral High School in 1955 and from Marian College in 1959.

In 1959, Mike was hired as part of the Ford College Graduate Program and started as an accountant. Ford always encouraged community service, so that was his start in volunteering.

Over the years, Mike has taken on many volunteer opportunities. For example, he advised the Warren Township School Board and developed the first accounting curriculum for the Walker Career Center. He also taught a once-a-week class on how to balance a checkbook at Scecina for two semesters and at Perry Meridian and Southport for one semester. He assisted with the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program sponsored by the IRS to prepare income taxes for low-income persons in the inner city of Detroit as well as several locations in Florida.

For being a servant leader through volunteerism, we honored Mike Boyle as an outstanding alumnus of Little Flower Catholic School.

Have a wonderful week.

fr. bob



### Fall Clean Up

On Saturday November 23 the Men's Club and Green Thumb Committee will lead a fall clean up day. We will be cleaning up the parish grounds for winter. We will meet at 9:00 a.m. by the garage. Please join us – many hands make light work.



Please welcome into our Christian community Dempsey Mark, son of Justin and Elizabeth (Sander) Piercy, who

was baptized on Sunday, November 10, 2019.

### 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.

### Also effective December 1, 2019

Coffee and Donuts will follow the 9:30 a.m. Mass. Children's Liturgy will be during the 9:30 a.m. Mass. Sunday Religious Education will be 10:30 a.m. until 11:25 a.m. The regular time for Baptisms will be after the 9:30 a.m. Mass.



### Spreading the Holiday Scrip Shopping Cheer!

Believe or not, the holidays are quickly approaching! This year has flown by, but rest assured there is no need to panic about the hustle and bustle that lies ahead in the weeks to come. Instead make plans to

make the most of the Holiday Season by purchasing gift cards through our Scrip Program!

There are Scrip Order Forms at all the entrances of Church. Orders are placed on Tuesdays, and are available for pickup on Fridays. (Payment must accompany your order.) We will order on the following dates for your Christmas needs:

November 19

December 3, 10, 17

You may drop off order forms at the Parish Office, through school, or the collection basket. We also have an assortment of gift-cards on hand to purchase. If you have any questions, please call Lisa at the parish office, 357-8352 ext. 33.

### **Thanksgiving Blessing Bags**



Thank you for your generosity and participation as we implemented this new program this year.

generosity Your was overwhelming and is much appreciated!

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



For the Week of November 18 - 24, 2019

18	November	Monday	
	5:30 p.m.	Dottie Spalding by Bon & Deniece Rose	
19	November	Tuesday	
	5:30 p.m.	Souls in Purgatory by John T. Kelly	
20	November	Wednesday	
	5:30 p.m.	John P. Lee Sr. by the Lee Family	
21	November	mber Thursday	
	1:30 p.m.	at Greenbriar – Fr. Kenny Taylor	
	5:30 p.m.	Communion Service	
22	November	Friday	
	8:30 a.m.	Mary Cervantes by BJ Schmidt	
	5:30 p.m.	Communion Service	
	November	Saturday – Vigil of Christ the King	
23	5:00 p.m.	Charles & Lillian Graf by Charlie & Pauline Graf	
	November	Sunday – The Feast of Christ the King	
24	8:30 a.m.	Dane Kramer by Charlie Goodman	
	10:30 a.m.	For the People	
	10:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m.	For the People In Thanksgiving for Fr. Gilday by the Parish	

## THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

### November 17 - 24, 2019

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DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP				
Sunday	New Parishioner Registration after all Masses.						
	Church	8:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy				
	Church	8:30 a.m.	RCIA - Rite of				
			Acceptance				
	School	9:30 a.m.	Religious Ed				
	School	9:30 a.m.	RCIA for Children				
	Duffey Hall	9:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts				
	Church	7:00 p.m.	Youth Choir Practice				
	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	Youth Adult Bible Study				
Monday	St. Patrick	11:30 a.m.	SVDP				
	Scout Room & Holy Family	6:00 p.m.	Scouts				
	Duffey Hall	6:30 p.m.	School Parent Meeting 93 Reasons				
	St. Therese	6:30 p.m.	SoulCore				
Tuesday	St. Therese	9:30 a.m.	Legion of Mary				
-	Church	7:00 p.m.	Christmas Choir				
	St. Therese	7:00 p.m.	RCIA				
Wednesday	St. Patrick	6:00 p.m.	Finance Council				
-	Duffey Hall	7:00 p.m.	Men's Club				
Thursday	St. Therese	8:00 p.m.	AA				
Friday	St. Therese	9:00 a.m.	SVDP				
Saturday	St. Therese	9:00 a.m.	SVDP				
Sunday	Church	8:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy				
*	School	9:30 a.m.	Religious Ed				
	Duffey Hall	9:00 a.m.	PTO Pancake Breakfast				
	Church	5:00 p.m.	Youth Choir Practice/				
			Sing at 6 p.m. Mass				
	Parish Center	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation Prep				



Today we celebrate the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) and RCIC (Rite of Christian Initiation of Children) Rite of Acceptance & Welcoming at the 8:30 a.m. Mass. In this rite, the candidates are asked to publicly declare their intentions to continue their journey towards becoming Catholic and to more fully embrace the Gospel message with God's help. They are signed with the Cross to show that they belong to Christ. Also, in this rite, the parish community more fully participates in and prays for those in the RCIA process. We encourage all parishioners to reach out to them as fellow members of the household of Christ.

Our next session is Tuesday, November 19, from 7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Our topic is the Liturgical Year. Please join us in the Parish Center.

On the weekend of November 23 and 24 we celebrate the Feast of Christ the King. Lectors, servers, music ministers, greeters, ushers, and arts and environment ministers will be commissioned at all Masses. (Because of their special role, Eucharistic ministers will be commissioned next spring at the Holy Thursday liturgy.) Please plan to come forward for a special blessing at whatever Mass you attend.

### **STEWARDSHIP CORNER**

### Your Gifts of Treasure

Weekly Budget Goal	\$	13,550.00
Collection of November 10 and 11	\$	9,374.72
Electronic Contributions 11/4 – 11/8	\$	3,874.41
Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Actual	\$	250,218.47
Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Budget	\$	271,000.00
Fiscal Year 2019-2020 YTD DEFICIT	\$	- 20,781.53
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September Contributions	\$	2,204.15
October Contributions		2,055.14
November Contributions (to date)	\$	1,185.82

### PLEASE NOTE

Last weekend was Intention Sunday for the Archdiocesan United Catholic Appeal: Christ our Hope. Christ our Hope provides year-long support to Archdiocesan ministries that benefit people in all parishes. You should have received your intention card in the mail, but extras are available at the church doors. If you have not turned your card in, or did not fill one out at church last weekend, 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.

Please take special care that you don't mistake this for the intention card for parish support. Our parish awareness campaign for stewardship of time, talent, and treasure will take place in the coming months.

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(grades 8 thru 12)

**YOUTH CHOIR** will practice on Sunday, November 17 from 7 p.m. until 8:15 p.m. in Church. New members are needed. Parents, encourage your kids in grades 8 through 12, and consider making the sacrifice to help them participate. They practice one Sunday evening per month and sing at the 6 p.m. Sunday evening Mass on the 1st and 4th Sunday of each month, arriving at 5 p.m. to practice before Mass. This group makes a huge contribution to our liturgy! **We will especially welcome new eighth graders to this practice as well as other new members. Please consider it!** 

**YOUTH CHOIR** will sing on Sunday, November 24 and Sunday, December 1, meeting in church at 5 p.m. to prepare for 6 p.m. Mass.

### Ladies Club News

Members of the Ladies Club will be in main gathering area after all Masses November 23-24 for cheese ball tastings and pre-ordering of cheese balls. Pick-up is at the December 14-15 Bake Sale.

Please join us Thursday, December 5 at 6:30 p.m. (note time change) for the Ladies Club Christmas pitch-in and meeting. The meat is provided. Bring a favorite side dish. If you have a family favorite dish, bring it and share Christmas remembrances. We will be making Christmas ornaments using buttons, Christmas pins, old Christmas cards, pretty Christmas ribbons, and trim or anything you can imagine would make a pretty decoration. We are collecting the above items, containers are at all the church doors with pictures of the craft we will be making to give you an idea of what we need Hope to see you there.

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, Mary Shea, Charles Aughe, Barbara Spellman.

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:

Mary Holtsclaw 4618 Young Avenue, Indianapolis, IN 46201

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.



The Little Flower Men's Club is selling Crew Carwashes! We will be selling after Mass on November 23/24 as well as during the entire month of November.

See Jeff Lyons or Rick Fischer to purchase outside of Mass.

Crew Carwashes are \$9 each & half of all proceeds will go to the Little Flower campus garage upgrade project. Next weekend, November 23 and 24, there will be a second collection for the Archdiocese of the Military Services (AMS). This is a collection taken every three years, and unlike other dioceses, the AMS does not have parishes from which to conduct weekly collections to support its operating budget. Nor does the AMS receive funding from the U.S. Government or the U.S. Military. Because of the limited number of envelopes we were sent, if you wish to participate in this second collection, there are envelopes placed at each of the church doors that you may use.



Our parish Christmas Party will be on Sunday, December 8 after the 9:30 a.m. Mass. This is a great opportunity to relax with family and friends and hopefully get everyone into the Christmas spirit! This year we will be having brunch instead of lunch due to

the earlier start time! Santa and Mrs. Claus will be present for those Kodak moments, so please bring a camera if you want a picture. Mark your calendar and plan on coming. Don't miss out on all the fun!



LECTORS will need new their workbooks for the year beginning with the readings of November 30 and Please pick up your copy in

Confirmation

December 1.

the sacristy.

### Confirmation Candidates:

Our last session was on Nov. 3 and we covered chapter 3, "The Jesus Question"...our homework was to meet with your sponsor

and complete the picture frame by adding your pictures. The pictures are also displayed in the back of church! Parishioners are praying for you and your sponsors. Please read chapter 7 p.167-188 "The Eucharist" and answer the questions for our next session Nov. 24, from 7 - 8:30 p.m. in the parish center.

### IMPORTANT NOTICE **BECAUSE OF THE THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY** THE DEADLINE FOR THE **NOVEMBER 30/DECEMBER 1 BULLETIN** IS NOON ON WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20. Please submit any information you want in the bulletin to Lisa Gibbons at lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org. THANK YOU.





### LITTLE FLOWER CHRISTMAS CHOIR

Although it hardly seems possible, Christmas Choir rehearsals begin this

week! Every year, our adult choir welcomes in adults from inside and outside the parish who may not want to commit to the choir on a year-round basis. We also welcome parish children in grades 6 and above who wish to join. As always it seems to be the case, we anticipate a greater need for male voices!

The Christmas Choir rehearses on the 5 Tuesdays prior to Christmas at 7 p.m. beginning on Tuesday, November 19. The choir will then sing at the 10 p.m. Mass on Christmas Eve and the 9:30 a.m. Masses on Sunday, December 29 and Sunday, January 5.

Members are asked to commit to four of the five practices and are also asked to commit to two of the three Masses at which the Christmas Choir sings unless special circumstances exist and arrangements are made in advance. Special arrangements will be made for returning college students.

should be directed to Tom Questions Costello at tcostello@littleflowerparish.org Please consider being a part of this special tradition! If you plan to join this year, please email Tom as soon as possible so that we can have enough music ready for everyone!



WHY DO THEY SAY/DO THAT DURING MASS? Join the Invite Commission for a two week crash course on **"THE USE OF SCRIPTURE DURING MASS"** With Dr. Edward Sri and Jeff Cavins Little Flower Duffy Hall 7:00 -8:30 p.m. Baby sitting available 12/2 and 12/9 Each night we will watch two Ascension Press videos and have a short discussion. Enrollment: \$20.00 which includes book.



Please register by calling, texting, or emailing Cac Diehr: 317-501-0060 Before 11/30/2019.

### **\*\*\*ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS\*\*\*** DO YOU NEED SERVICE CREDITS?

The Little Flower Invite Commission needs two child care helpers on 12/2 and 12/9 in Duffy Hall from 6:45p.m.-8:30 p.m. We have games, coloring, artwork supplies, and adorable, well-behaved children who just need a couple of enthusiastic, capable sitters. Please call or text Cindy Woods at 317-408-6396. Thank you! Completion of Safe Sitter Program required.







## Sunday, November 24, 2019

## 9 a.m. - noon in Little Flower Cafeteria

# Your purchase helps pay for school field trips!

- Adults \$7
- Seniors \$6
- Kids 10 & Under \$5
- Additional Side Items \$1 each

Little Flower Students who attend the breakfast will receive an out-of-uniform pass!

### **Each Meal Includes:**

- Unlimited Pancakes (starting with 2)
- Eggs
- Choice of Bacon or Sausage
- Choice of Milk or Juice
- Coffee

We appreciate the generous support of our friends at The Historic Steer-in Diner!





Journey into Advent Faith, Family and Fun

Who:	All are welcome
What:	Family Advent evening with pizza provided for dinner.
When:	Monday, November 25 from 6:00 -7:30 p.m.
Where:	School cafeteria
Why:	This is an opportunity for families and individuals to prepare for Advent before it begins on December 1.
	Families will have an opportunity to make an "Advent Calendar" that help them count down the days to Christmas.

**NOTE: Reservations are needed by Monday, November 25 at 9:00 a.m.** so that supplies and food may be ordered, so please contact Peggy Clegg at <u>pclegg@littleflowerparish.org</u> or at 357-8352 x32, if you are planning on attending.

There is no charge for the evening, but a free will offering basket will be available.

### ALL ARE WELCOME!!!

Sponsored by the Parish Life Commission.

