ST. THERESE - LITTLE FLOWER ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Mass

Saturday: Sunday:

5:00 PM

9:30 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.

The Theresean

OFFICE HOURS: Monday - Friday 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM 317-357-8352 Fax 317-357-5 PARISH CENTER 317-357-5316 Fax 317-322-7702 SCHOOL 317-353-2282 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 9:30 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 5 times per year. 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 317-236-1490.

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?

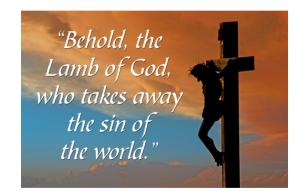
Inquiry Classes begin in late August as part of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). Call Parish Center for information.

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 Friends,

On Monday, January 20, our nation celebrates the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Both our parish office and our school will be closed in honor of Dr. King.

This Wednesday, January 22, the Catholic Church in the United States marks the anniversary of the Supreme Court decision *Roe v Wade* which legalized abortion throughout the United States with a **Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children**. The 5:30 p.m. Mass will be the Mass for "For Giving Thanks to God for the Gift of Human Life." Please join us as we give thanks for the gift of human life and pray for the legal protection of unborn children.

Our Holy Father, Pope Francis, has instituted the Sunday of the Word of God, to be celebrated annually on the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time. For the Sunday Masses of January 25-26, we ask you to bring your personal or family Bible to Mass with you. We want to emphasize the importance of the Bible in Catholic life and encourage one another to read and study it as a regular part of our lives as disciples of Jesus. During the Mass we will have a commitment and blessing prayer as you hold your Bibles. We will also provide you with a special prayer to enthrone and honor the Bible in your homes.

Next Sunday also begins Catholic Schools Week. Our Little Flower School open house will be next Sunday, January 27, from 10:30 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. All parishioners are invited, especially those with young children. Likewise, I would encourage all of you to be ambassadors for Little Flower School and invite friends or neighbors with preschool-age children and/or grade-school-age children who are searching for a school for their children.

I want to extend a special thank you to all those who responded to our Sunday collection deficit reduction request. On December 15, I invited you to consider a "Christmas Gift for Deficit Reduction." Because of the generosity of eighteen individuals or families, we reduced the Sunday collection deficit \$7,630.00. Although Christmas is over, if you are able to help, please consider a contribution, however large or small, to reduce our Sunday deficit.

On a personal note, once again I want to thank you for all your Christmas gifts. You have been wonderfully generous and supportive to me since I arrived in 2003. This week I completed my thank you notes. Unfortunately I was unable to identify the givers of a couple of gifts. If I missed sending a thank you note to anyone who gave me a Christmas gift, I apologize.

Have a wonderful week.

fr. bob



Little Flower School Open House

Little Flower Catholic School, the largest ministry of our parish, is celebrating an Open House on Sunday, January 26, from 10:30 a.m. - Noon. We invite ALL parishioners to come and see the great

work that is taking place in your school. If you have school age children, please consider what a Little Flower Catholic education can provide your children. If you have friends or family, please invite them to visit. Come and meet our teachers, tour the building (tours available continuously throughout), and share in the successes of your parish school.



We extend our condolences to Mary and Frank Wilson on the death of Mary's sister, Sheila Anne Brady, and to Mary Helen Eckrich on the death of

her sister-in-law, **Sr. Helen Eckrich, O.S.F.** We remember our parishioner **Charles Whitehill** who passed away on January 5 and whose funeral service was held on January 12 at Lauck & Veldhof Funeral and Cremation Services. Please keep all of Sheila's, Sr. Helen's, and Charles' family in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. May God welcome Sheila, Sr. Helen, and Charles into his eternal glory.



For the Week of January 20 - 26, 2020

20	January	Monday		
	5:30 p.m.	Stella Watson		
21	January	Tuesday		
	5:30 p.m.	Communion Service		
22	January	Wednesday		
	5:30 p.m.	For the Intentions of Carol Freeland		
23	January	Thursday		
	1:30 p.m.	Crestwood – Souls in Purgatory by John T. Kelly		
	5:30 p.m.	Communion Service		
24	January	Friday		
	8:30 a.m.	For the Intentions of Jane Bell by Janie Robinson		
	5:30 p.m.	Communion Service		
25	January	Saturday – Vigil of The 3 rd Sunday in		
		Ordinary Time		
	5:00 p.m.	Pat Reese by Jean Jett		
26	January	Sunday – The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time		
	9:30 a.m.	For the People		
	6:00 p.m.	For Blessings on Fr. Bob		

/ THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

January 19 - 26, 2020

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DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP					
Sunday	New Parishioner Registration after all Masses.							
	Church	9:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy					
	School	10:30 a.m.	Religious Ed					
	Duffey Hall	10:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts					
	School	10:30 a.m.	RCIA for Children					
	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	Young Adult Bible					
		_	Study					
Monday								
	School and Parish Office Closed							
	Duffey Hall	7:00 p.m.	Bible Study					
Tuesday	St. Therese	9:30 a.m.	Legion of Mary					
	Duffey Hall	7:00 p.m.	LFNA Meeting					
	St. Therese	7:00 p.m.	RCIA					
Wednesday	St. Therese	7:00 p.m.	Men's CRHP					
Thursday	St. Therese	8:00 p.m.	AA					
Friday								
Saturday								
Sunday	Catholic Schools Week!							
	Church	9:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy					
	Duffey Hall	10:30 a.m.	Little Flower School					
			Open House					
	Church	5:00 p.m.	Youth Choir Practice					
			Sing at 6 p.m. Mass					
	Parish Center	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation Prep					

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, January 20, in recognition of Martin Luther King Day.



Spiritual Adoption Campaign The Respect Life Committee invites you to join us in a Spiritual Adoption Campaign. You will find pamphlets about how to participate in the campaign at the Church doors. As an added part of the campaign we will

publish information in The Theresean for the next nine months about the development of the baby you are adopting. Feel free to choose the gender of your baby and give them a name. We hope you will join us on this exciting journey. This campaign will officially begin on January 18/19 in vigil of the Anniversary of the Roe vs Wade decision by the Supreme Court.

NEWLY BAPTIZED

Please welcome into our Christian community **Evan Randall**, son of Bryce and and **Maren Jane**, daughter of

Ashley (Breeden) Schneider and **Maren Jane**, daughter of Michael and Sarah (Robertson) Harding, baptized on Sunday, January 12, 2020.



(grades 8 thru 12)

Youth Choir - New Members are always welcome!							
Sunday, January 19	No practice this month!						
Sunday, January 26	Meet at 5:00 p.m. to sing 6:00 p.m. Mass.						
Sunday, February 2	Meet at 5:00 p.m. to sing 6:00 p.m. Mass.						

There will be a Super Bowl gathering for all youth in grades 8 thru 12 here at Little Flower in the basement of the parish center following 6 p.m. Mass on February 2. Plan now to attend. Pizza will be provided. Parents should plan to pick kids up at their convenience but no later than 9:00 pm.



Our next session will **meet after the 6 p.m. Mass on January 26, 2020** in the Parish Center until 8:30 p.m. Please be sure to complete the crossword puzzles

on page 28 and 55. We will check and discuss both in class!



The next **Baptism Preparation Class** is **Monday, February 3, at 7:00 p.m.** in the Parish Center. This class is required for parents who are requesting baptism for their child and

have not previously attended a preparation class. Please call the parish center at 317-357-8352 to let us know you plan to attend. Plan ahead, as the next class will not take place until April.





Little Flower registration for the 2020-2021 school year is just around the corner! All families are invited to our Open House on January 26, from 10:30

a.m. -12:00 p.m. You can tour, talk to teachers, parents, and administrators, and begin the registration process. There is a \$50 per student registration fee. Please visit or contact the school office at 317-353-2282 to schedule a private tour, or to get more registration information.

This year, we will be able to accept credit card payment for registration fees (only). There will be a 5% charge to pay by credit card for a total registration fee of \$52.50 per child.

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, Fr. Paul Koetter, Margie Greene, Pat Sweeney.

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:

Margie Greene 1945 Wallace Avenue Indianapolis, IN 46218

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

Annual financial statements will be prepared and mailed no later than January 25. Statements for Christ our Hope United Catholic Appeal will be mailed by the Archdiocese. Statements for school annual fund will be separate from the statements for the regular parish donations.



On Thursday, February 13 there will be a Stop the Bleed class at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Center. This class is to prepare anyone to assist in the event of

a medical emergency in which someone is severely bleeding. Anyone is welcome to attend this class but it would be especially beneficial to those involved in youth sports, ushers, greeters, or volunteers in school. Please e-mail or call Peggy Clegg at 317-357-8352 or pclegg@littleflowerparish.org if you plan to attend. A count is needed so that Emergency Medical Services can provide enough teachers for this class.

Altar Servers, Eucharistic Ministers & Lectors

A new schedule will be coming out soon for March, April, and May. If you have away dates or changes in your profile please let us know.

- Altar Servers please contact Lisa Gibbons at lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org or 317-658-6550.
- Eucharistic Ministers please contact Ron Sharp at <u>duvkote@aol.com</u> or leave a message at 317-356-3488.
- Lectors please contact Diane Sharp at <u>dmsharp02@aol.com</u> or leave a message at 317-356-3488.

The deadline date is February 7. Thank you for your service in this ministry.

Ladies Club News

- Join the Ladies Club **Thursday, February 6**, for a fun evening of art and wine (or just critique the artist's attempt to create, and visit no pressure!). Business meeting will begin at 7 p.m. Wine and Canvas will begin around 7:30 p.m. Angel Adore will lead the art experience. Cost is \$10 per artist. Please RSVP if you plan to participate in the painting so we will have enough supplies. Text 317-918-0997 or email moodyak1@yahoo.comm by January 31.
- The Little Flower Ladies Club is sponsoring an evening at Beef and Boards Thursday evening, February 20, to see Saturday Night Fever. Ticket information and order forms are at all doors. Seating is limited, so get your orders in by January 20 including payment. Checks may be made payable to LF Ladies Club. <u>Reservations are going fast! Sign Up Now! Order forms are at all Church doors.</u>
- The Ladies Club is sponsoring a trip to Columbus, Indiana on Saturday, April 18, for an Architectural Guided Bus Tour. We will meet in the school parking lot at 8:40 a.m. and car pool to the Visitor Center. The tour is approximately 2 hours long and the cost is \$25.00 per person. We will have lunch at the conclusion of the tour. We have a 12 passenger bus reserved at this time. If we do not fill the bus, we will release the private bus and sign up as individual participants for a public tour. The tour is open to anyone. We must have reservations by January 31. Please call or text Anita Moody at 317-918-0997 or email moodyak1@yahoo.com.



Senior Prom

The 8th grade class will once again host a "Senior Prom" for all our "young at heart" parishioners. This year's theme, "Dancing Through the Decades", will give you the perfect opportunity to forget about the cold weather for an evening, have a wonderful spaghetti dinner, and

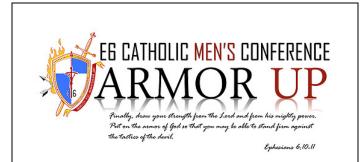
spend time getting to know some of our wonderful students, while dancing and playing bingo. The date is Saturday, February 8, following the 5 p.m. Mass. Please call the Parish Center, 317-357-8352, or email, <u>pclegg@littleflowerparish.org</u>, by Monday, February 3, if you plan to attend.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Your Gifts of Treasure							
Weekly Budget Goal	\$	13,550.00					
Collection of January 11 and 12	\$	7,282.50					
Electronic Contributions 1/6 – 1/10	\$	2,381.91					
Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Actual	\$	371,696.07					
Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Budget	\$	392,950.00					
Fiscal Year 2019-2020 YTD DEFICIT	\$	- 21,253.93					
Home Improvement Fund							
November Contributions		1,822.55					
December Contributions	\$	2,194.64					
January Contributions (to date)	\$	1,258.82					
Gifts to deficit reduction (to date)	\$	7,630.00					
(These gifts have been added to the regular collection figures above.)							
Untied Catholic Appeal							
(gifts processed as of 1/9/2020)							
Parish Goal	\$55,359.00						
# of gifts received or pledged 117							
Amount of gifts received of pledged	\$24,056.00						

Early Bird Admissions

Scecina Memorial High School is now enrolling the freshman class for the 2020-2021 school year. Current eighth-graders who complete an application by January 22, 2020, are eligible for an opportunity for a \$3,000 scholarship to Scecina.



The tri-state's largest Catholic Men's Conference of 2020 is open for registration, featuring Dr. Scott Hahn, Fr. Donald Calloway and Doug Barry! Please join us for the E6 Catholic Men's Conference, which will be taking place on Saturday, February 22, 2020, at the East Central High School Performing Arts Center in St. Leon, IN (only 35-50 minutes northwest of Cincinnati. Last vear, over 1200 men attended the conference and this year we expect to fill every seat in the building. We cordially invite every man to attend this 5th annual event. Please join us for inspiring talks, confession (available all day), celebration of the Holy Mass, and fraternity with fellow men of Christ. We pride ourselves on presenting a quality, substance-driven, inspirational and faith-filled event that will change men's lives and help equip them to be the men Christ calls them to be. Do not miss this! Tickets are on sale now at www.e6catholicmensconference.com.



Kroger Community Rewards

Our fourth quarter earnings from The Kroger Community Rewards Fundraiser is \$798.19 with 222 households participating between 10/1/2019 to 12/31/2019. You could help Little Flower School earn up to \$50,000 every three months!! How? By shopping at Kroger and using

your registered Kroger Plus Card. To register your Kroger Plus Card, go to www.kroger.com/communityrewards. You will first sign-in to your Kroger account or register for a new account. After you log into your account, it will ask for an Organization Number. <u>Our</u> <u>Organization Number is CP031</u>. The more you spend at Kroger, the larger the check Little Flower will receive. Note: It will be necessary for you to re-register for this program every year. Thanks in advance!

FESTIVAL NEWS Summerfest 2020 – May 29, 30, and 31

Holy cow, can it be?? SUMMERFEST 2020 planning will begin soon!

A kick off meeting will be held on **Wednesday**, **January 29**, **at 6:00 p.m.** in the Parish Center for those who are willing to be part of the parish festival leadership team. Call Angie at 317-357-8352 or email <u>amackell@littleflowerparish.org</u> with questions.

YOUR ACTION REQUIRED!

If you plan to volunteer in any **gaming** capacity at this year's summer festival, we need your help now! This includes anyone working/selling at Bingo, Monte Carlo, Adult Games, Pull Tabs/Tip Boards, Main Raffle, and/or any special raffles.

In order to comply with State Gaming Commission requirements, we need to provide a complete list of volunteer information. Please send the following information to <u>sclegq@littleflowerparish.org</u>, with a subject line of "Festival Worker Information" <u>by January 31</u>:

- Legal Name
- Date of Birth
- Driver's License or State ID Number
- Complete Home Address
- Daytime Telephone Number

If you sent us your information last year, and nothing has changed, you don't need to send again.

IF NOT, PLEASE SEND IT RIGHT AWAY SO WE CAN GET THE NECESSARY PAPERWORK FILED. *If you are not sure if you submitted it previously,* please send now it so we can make sure you are on the list. If you do not have email, you may write down the information and leave it at the parish office or place it in the collection. THANK YOU IN ADVANCE!



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