## ST. THERESE - LITTLE FLOWER

## ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Liturgy Commission
Parish Life Commission School Commission Stewardship Commission

At-Large Member At-Large Member At-Large Member

At-Large Member SCHEDULE OF SERVICES Mass

> Saturday: 5:00 PM 9:30 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.

## 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?

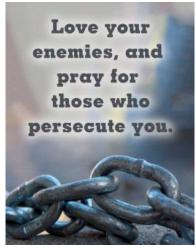
Inquiry Classes begin in late August as part of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). Call Parish Center for information.

#### 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 Parish Family,

This Wednesday is Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent.

On Ash Wednesday, we will celebrate Mass and distribute ashes at 8:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Also, every Friday evening during Lent, there will be Stations of the Cross and Holy Communion at 5:30 p.m.

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence. The other Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence. The law of abstinence requires Catholics 14 years of age and older to abstain from eating meat. The law of fasting requires Catholic from the age of 18 until their 59<sup>th</sup> birthday to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. The Church defines fasting as one main meal a day and two smaller meals which if added together would not be larger than the main meal.

Besides ashes on Ash Wednesday, we will be giving a small remembrance to everyone who comes to Mass on the First Sunday of Lent, February 29-March 1. Please be here to receive this remembrance which will serve as a challenge to us this Lent.

Dynamic Catholic is offering **Best Lent Ever 2020**, "a totally free and totally awesome daily Lenten video program (sent straight to your email) that will help you unlock your God-given potential." You can sign up at <a href="https://dynamiccatholic.com/best-lent-ever">https://dynamiccatholic.com/best-lent-ever</a>.

Our Lenten Penance Service will be Thursday, March 19, at 7 p.m. here at Little Flower. As always, several priests will help with Confessions.

One of our Lenten highlights is our weekly Fish Fry each Friday during Lent except Good Friday. Serving begins at 4:30 p.m. and continues until 7:00 p.m. Once again this year the Little Flower Men's Club is managing the Fish Fry. Please show your support by attending and inviting family, friends, and neighbors to attend. The Fish Fry is a wonderful opportunity for parishioners, family, friends, and neighbors to socialize.

Each year the Fish Fry earns the parish approximately \$7,000 to \$9,000. This money is included as ordinary income in our annual budget. **In the final analysis, the success of the fish fry depends on the numbers who attend.** The more people who attend each week, the more successful the fish fry will be. I am profoundly grateful to the Men's Club for continuing to accept responsibility for the Fish Fry and to all who will help with the Fish Fry this year.

Have a wonderful week.

fr. bob



We extend our sympathy and condolences to *Robert and Bonnie Dietz* on the death of their daughter, **Amanda Dietz**, and to *Paula Barnette* on the death of her daughter, **Emily Barnette**. We remember our former parishioner, **Metha Smith**, who passed away on February 11. Please keep all of these

families in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. May God welcome Amanda, Emily, and Metha into his eternal glory.



The Ladies Club Spring Flower sale is in full swing! Order forms are at all Church entrances. Completed forms with payment to Little Flower Ladies Club are due by March 1.



Readings for February 29 & March 1 First Sunday of Lent

Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7 Romans 5:12-19 Matthew 4: 1-11

To read the readings on-line, go to http://usccb.org/bible/readings/030120.cfm

### ART AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON NEEDED!

The Art and Environment Committee, as a subcommittee of the Liturgy Commission, is responsible for decorating the Church and enhancing the beauty of our liturgical celebrations according to the various liturgical seasons and feasts. Although their work is most evident at Christmas and Easter, they are responsible for various feasts and seasons throughout the year. After more than 20 years, Mary Martha Costello will be stepping down as chairperson, and we are looking for someone willing to step into this role. Mary Martha will be available as a resource for the first full liturgical year. If this area interests you, please consider donating your time and talent to this important task. If you are interested or have questions, please call Mary Martha at 317-544-0473 or email her at mmcindy352@aol.com.



WE NEED SVDP Truck Drivers and Helpers on **Saturday**, **February 29**, 2020 from 7:45 a.m. - 2 p.m. The Saturday morning donation pick-ups are critical, as we cannot assist those in need in our community nor have enough merchandise to supply our

Mission 27 Resale Store if we do not get our trucks out. Go to <a href="http://www.signupgenius.com/go/508084da5a628a0fa7-saturday">http://www.signupgenius.com/go/508084da5a628a0fa7-saturday</a> to establish a username/password and to sign-up, or call Chris Arvin at 317-270-2930 if you need help signing up or have questions. Please arrive at the SVDP Distribution Center at 1201 E. Maryland Street between 7:30 a.m. - 7:45 a.m.



#### For the Week of February 24 - March 1, 2020

24 February Monday

5:30 p.m. Norbert Arvin by Mike and Diane Shruba

25 February Tuesday

5:30 p.m. Mary B. Moriarty Adams by Michael and Linda

Jerrell

26 February Ash Wednesday

8:30 a.m. Pat Reese by Anita Moody

6:00 p.m. Al and Sadie Shikany by the Shikany Family

27 February Thursday

1:30 p.m. at Crestwood - Souls in Purgatory by John T.

Kelly

28 February Friday

5:30 p.m. Way of the Cross and Communion Service

29 February Saturday - Vigil of The 1st Sunday of Lent

5:00 p.m. For the Intentions of Rita Gibson by the Pfarr

Family

01 March Sunday - The 1st Sunday of Lent

9:30 a.m. Linda Swain by the Ladies Club

6:00 p.m. For the People

### / THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

#### February 23 – March 1, 2020

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP	
Sunday	Church	9:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy	
	Duffey Hall	9:00 a.m.	PTO Pancake	
			Breakfast	
	School	10:30 a.m.	Religious Ed	
	School	10:30 a.m.	RCIA for Children	
	Church	5:00 p.m.	Youth Choir Practice	
			Sing at 6:00 p.m. Mass	
	Parish Center	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation Prep	
Monday	Scout & Holy	6:00 p.m.	Scouts	
·	Family Rooms			
	St. Therese	6:30 p.m.	Soul Core	
	Duffey Hall	7:00 p.m.	Bible Study	
Tuesday	St. Therese	9:30 a.m.	Legion of Mary	
	St. Therese	7:00 p.m.	RCIA	
	Church	7:00 p.m.	Choir	
Wednesday	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	Festival Meeting	
Thursday	St. Therese	8:00 p.m.	AA	
Friday	Duffey Hall	4:30 p.m.	Fish Fry	
Saturday				
Sunday	Church	9:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy	
	Church	9:30 a.m.	RCIA Rite of Sending Coffee and Donuts Religious Ed RCIA for Children	
	Duffey Hall	10:30 a.m.		
	School	10:30 a.m.		
	School	10:30 a.m.		
	at Ss. Peter &	2:00 p.m.	RCIA Rite of Election	
	Paul Cathedral			
	Church	5:00 p.m.	Youth Choir Practice	
			Sing at 6:00 p.m. Mass	
	Parish Center	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation Prep	

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



#### Festival News Summerfest 2020 May 29, 30, and 31

The next leadership team meeting is Wednesday, February 26, immediately

following Ash Wednesday Mass (approx. 7:00 p.m.) in the parish center.



(grades 8 thru 12)

Youth Choir - New Members are always welcome!

Sunday, February 23 Sing at 6 p.m. Mass, meeting in

Church at 5 p.m.

Sunday, March 1 Sing at 6 p.m. Mass, meeting in

Church at 5 p.m.



#### SPIRITUAL ADOPTION

Week Three

Hi, My cells are dividing like crazy. The cells that are becoming my placenta (which will give me nourishment as I grow) are producing the hormone hCG that tells Mommy's ovary to stop

releasing eggs and tells the lining of the uterus to keep and nourish the lining of the uterus to make a more friendly environment for me. Soon that hormone will be detected by a pregnancy test. Amniotic fluid is beginning to collect around me and will become the amniotic sac. Mom is beginning to notice changes in her body, but she does not know that I am causing them. Remember to pray for Mom, Dad, and Me. Your prayer is important to my life.

If you have not yet done the Spiritual Adoption, it is never too late to start.



Our next session meets Sunday, Feb. 23, after the 6 p.m. Mass in the parish center. We will discuss chapter 4, "The Prayer Process," p.85-109. Please work the

crossword puzzle on page 109.

#### FRIDAYS DURING LENT, BEGINNING FEBRUARY 28!

The LF Men's Club and various LF Parish groups will be providing weekly workers.

Please contact drewtorz@gmail.com
if you would like to volunteer in any way.



The Love Yourself Fashion Shows are putting on another great show this April! These fashion shows help **Needed** homeless women from the Indianapolis area learn to love themselves. We are

collecting new and gently used women's clothes and shoes of any size, jewelry, and accessories. Now is a great time to clean out your closet for a really good cause! There is a hot pink donation box by the front door of Church and the school office. You can't miss it. Thank you for your support! For auestions or more information, please contact julia.rbnsn@gmail.com or 317-693-0089.

#### **Reverse Raffle & Bingo Night**

LFAC and Little Flower PTO are hosting their annual Reverse Raffle and PTO Bingo night on Saturday, March 7. Tickets are on sale now! Reverse raffle tickets are \$25. BINGO tickets are \$25. Save \$10 by buying combo tickets at \$40. Don't wait to buy at the door as seating is limited. Dinner, beer, wine, and soft drinks are included (21 or over only.) To purchase tickets, contact Lynda Trimble at 317-518-6374 or at trimblelyn@aol.com.

Interested in being one of our sponsors? Contact Lynda for more information. We are also looking for items to raffle off as well as list in our silent auction.

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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, Molly Hahn, Christine Sinclair, Bill Rathz, Judy Rathz.

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:

> Bill and Judy Rathz 1827 N Bancroft St., 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.



#### **Ladies Club News**

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 February 28. Please call or text Anita Moody at 317-918-0997 or email moodyak1@yahoo.com.

#### Mark Your Calendar!

Please join the Little Flower Ladies Club Thursday, March 5, as we welcome Jo Ellen Meyers Sharp, well known author of The Hoosier Gardener. She will be speaking on container gardening.

Business meeting at 7 p.m. Program at 7:30 p.m. in the cafeteria

#### ENGAGING, DELIGHTFUL, KNOWLEDGEABLE, FUNNY

These are just a few words used to describe Jo Ellen Meyers Sharp. As "The Hoosier Gardener," Jo Ellen travels the United States, presenting a diverse array of topics to experience - and novice gardeners, new homeowners, and curious individuals.



#### WE NEED A FEW GOOD MEN!

For quite some time, we have appealed for some new male voices for our adult choir. Due to several factors, our need has become more critical. Adult choir

practices on most Tuesday evenings, from 7:00 p.m. until 8:30 p.m., September through May. Additionally we sing at most 9:30 a.m. Sunday Masses and a few other times September through May. Please, consider this request seriously. If you have any questions at all, please email Tom at tom@littleflowerparish.org. I know there are at least a couple of guys out there to help us. I will be waiting to hear from you!

Just Desserts Ladies!

The Ladies Club provides the desserts each week for the fish beginning this frv. February 28! 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 Friday. Thanks in advance and for all of your help in years past!

#### **Knights of Columbus Fatima Event Center** Located at 1040 North Post Road

The Knights of Columbus Fatima Council No. 3228 will host an All-You-Can-Eat Breakfast on Sunday, March 1, 2020, from 8:30 a.m. to Noon. All are encouraged to come and enjoy a breakfast buffet that includes: scrambled eggs, bacon or sausage, biscuits and gravy, pancakes, fried potatoes, fresh fruit, pastry, as well as coffee, milk, and orange juice. The cost is \$6.00 for adults, \$4.00 for children under 12, and children under 5 are free.

BINGO is every Tuesday from 9:30 a.m. to Noon. We have a \$1,000 Jackpot.

The Treasure Hunt Board Drawing is every Friday night. Tickets are on sale (#147824). The Jackpot is growing weekly. Tickets are available Monday - Friday from 11:00 a.m. - 9 p.m. The kitchen opens at 6 p.m. Come, bring a friend, and enjoy a light dinner and some great camaraderie.



Please pray for our men, women, and children who are preparing to receive the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist this Easter as they begin their final steps of preparation

beginning with the Rite of Sending and Election on Sunday, March 1, 2020.



#### Ash Wednesday Fish Fry

Make your plans now to enjoy the Scecina baseball team's annual Fish Fry from 4:30 p.m. - 8 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 26, in the Scecina cafeteria. Tickets are \$7. Dinner includes fish or pizza, coleslaw, french fries, drink, and dessert. Get tickets from a Crusader baseball player or at the door. For information. contact Coach HIGH SCHOOL Gandolph, davidgandolph@yahoo.com.

#### **Future Crusaders: Curriculum Night**

Class of 2024: It's time to request your freshman academic courses, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., on March 4, 2020, in Scecina's cafeteria. To RSVP, please log into your SchoolAdmin account.

#### **Applications for Admission**

Applications for the Class of 2024 are now open! To apply, please visit www.scecina.org/admissions.

#### Scholarships for 8th graders

Scecina is pleased to offer several scholarships for incoming freshmen. To review these scholarships and the requirements. please visit www.scecina.org/scholarships. For applications that require an application and/or essay submission, the deadline is March 16, 2020.

#### **Registration Fees**

An annual registration fee of \$250 is required for each family who is enrolling a student at Scecina. Families with multiple students will pay the family registration fee on the oldest student enrolled at Scecina. If you complete the Tuition Assistance Application or complete the Tuition Assistance Waiver by March 20, 2020, you are able to pay an "Early" Registration Fee of \$125.

#### STEWARDSHIP CORNER

#### **Your Gifts of Treasure**

Weekly Budget Goal	\$	13,550.00	
Collection of February 15 and 16	\$ Check back next week		
Electronic Contributions 2/10 – 2/14	\$ Check back next week		
Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Actual	\$	424,898.45	
Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Budget	\$	447,150.00	
Fiscal Year 2019-2020 YTD DEFICIT	\$	- 22,251.55	
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#### Home Improvement Fund

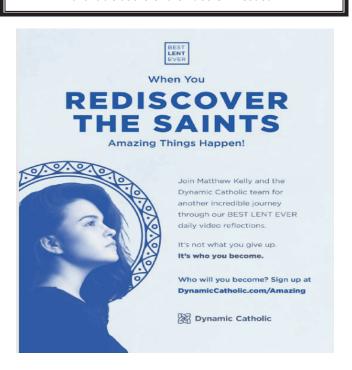
December Contributions	\$ 2,194.64
January Contributions	\$ 1,995.64
February Contributions (to date)	\$ 1,467.32

#### Untied Catholic Appeal (gifts processed as of 2/6/2020)

The Archdiocesan United Catholic Appeal, Christ Our Hope, has been going on for about 14 weeks, and as you can see, we are about \$31,000 short of our goal, and only 13% 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 \$55,359.00 # of gifts pledged 118 Amount of gifts received of pledged \$23,946.00

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





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