ST. THERESE - LITTLE FLOWER ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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.

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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?

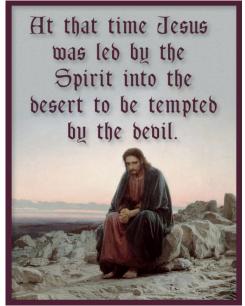
Inquiry Classes begin in late August as part of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). Call Parish Center for information.

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,

During Lent, our RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) and RCIC (Rite of Christian Initiation of Children) catechumens begin their final preparation for the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist which they will receive at the Easter Vigil Liturgy. This weekend we will celebrate the Rite of Sending at the 9:30 a.m. Mass.

We, as a community, send our catechumens to the Cathedral for the Rite of Election. At the Rite of Election, on the basis of the testimony of their sponsors and catechists and on the reaffirmation of the intention of the catechumens and candidates themselves, Archbishop Thompson will declare them ready to take part in the Sacraments of Initiation. This year we have four catechumens, one adult and three children. At the Easter Vigil, two adults and one child will be confirmed.

If you have not turned in your stewardship card, please do so as soon as possible. Because of the financial challenges we are facing, this year it is more important than ever that we be able to forecast our Sunday collection income.

The stewardship card is the tri-fold color card that was included in your stewardship of treasure mailing. We only received 80 cards on intention weekend and 27 more last

weekend, for a total of 107. This is only 12% of registered families. In the same time frame last year, we received 177 cards.

Little Flower and Archdiocesan Catholic high school families are required to turn in their 2020 Stewardship Cards to be eligible for the Parishioner Tuition Discount.

If you did not receive the mailing, or if you have misplaced your card, there are additional cards at the church doors.

Please mark your calendars. This year our Lenten Penance Service will be Thursday, March 19, at 7:00 p.m. here at Little Flower. Several priests will be available for confessions. Please mark your calendars now.

On Friday, February 21, I had my three-month follow-up with my urologist. My blood work was good. Therefore, it will be six months before I have my next appointment. Thank you for all your continued prayers for my good health.

Have a wonderful week.

fr. bob

Gabriel Project Baby Banks

Lenten Baby Banks are at all doors of the church and are to be returned on Palm Sunday. This is the primary financial support for the Gabriel Project and our Respect Life Committee. A portion of the proceeds will also be sent to Miracle Place, a Near Eastside ministry helping our disadvantaged. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.



Readings for March 7 and 8 Second Sunday of Lent Genesis 12:1-4a 2 Timothy 1:8b-10 Matthew 17: 1-9 To read the readings on-line, go to

http://usccb.org/bible/readings/030820.cfm



Don't forget on Sunday, March 8, 2020 at 2 a.m., we will set our clocks forward by 1 hour. Happy Spring!

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 <u>mmcindy352@aol.com</u>.



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.

+++ Masses For The Week

For the Week of March 2 - 8, 2020

02	March	Monday
	5:30 p.m.	Souls in Purgatory by John. T. Kelly
03	March	Tuesday
	5:30 p.m.	Norbert Arvin by the Spalding Family
04	March	Wednesday
	5:30 p.m.	Bryan Cuppy by Mary Ann and John Evans
05	March	Thursday
	5:30 p.m.	Jack Gilmore by Joe and Mrth Finneran
06 March Friday		Friday
	8:30 a.m.	John Doyle by Bob and Mary Sitzman
	5:30 p.m.	Way of the Cross and Communion Service
07	March	Saturday – Vigil of The 2 nd Sunday of Lent
	5:00 p.m.	Mary and Charles O'Hara by James O'Hara
08	March	Sunday – The 2 nd Sunday of Lent
	9:30 a.m.	Dane Kramer by Jim and Loretta Miller
	6:00 p.m.	For the People

/ THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

March 1 - 8, 2020

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP	
Sunday	Church	9:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy	
*	Church	9:30 a.m.	RCIA Rite of Sending	
	Duffey Hall	10:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts	
	School	10:30 a.m.	Religious Ed	
	School	10:30 a.m.	RCIA for Children	
	at Ss. Peter & Paul Cathedral	2:00 p.m.	RCIA Rite of Election	
	Church	5:00 p.m.	Youth Choir Practice	
	Parish Center	7:00 p.m.	Sing at 6:00 p.m. Mass Confirmation Prep	
Monday	St. Patrick	11:30 a.m.	SVDP	
	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. Therese	6:30 p.m.	Invite Commission	
	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	School Commission	
Thursday	Duffey Hall	7:00 p.m.	Ladies Club Meeting	
	St. Therese	8:00 p.m.	AA	
Friday	Duffey Hall	4:30 p.m.	Fish Fry	
Saturday	Gym	6:00 p.m.	Reverse Raffle and Bingo	
Sunday	Daylight Savings Time begins.		Spring Forward!	
	Church	9:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy	
	Duffey Hall	10:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts	
	School	10:30 a.m.	Religious Ed	
	School	10:30 a.m.	RCIA for Children	
	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	Young Adult Bible Study	



We will meet this Sunday, March 1, in the Parish Center following the 6 p.m. Mass. Our session is on "The Church," Chapter 9 p. 215-241. We

will also receive directions for an assignment to write Archbishop Thompson a letter. This letter will explain why the candidate wants to be confirmed. They will begin the process of choosing a saint's name to be used for their confirmation name. Lots to do and time is getting short! Please pray for the confirmation candidates and their sponsors. Their names and pictures are on the kiosk in the back of Church.



(grades 8 thru 12)

Youth Choir - New Members are always welcome!

Sunday, March 1: Sing at 6 p.m. Mass, meeting in Church at 5 p.m.



The Adventuresome Group will meet on Wednesday, March 11 following the 11:00 a.m. Mass. This month, Amanda Quinn, from Arlington Place, will be our guest speaker. Her topic will be Brain Fitness. You may call the Parish

Center at 317-357-8352 if you plan on attending. All are welcome! Join us and bring a friend!



Come One! Come All! Please join us on Fridays during Lent through April 3 for a wonderful Lenten meal! Serving takes place from 4:30 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. Carryout is available.

Invite your family and friends to help make our Fish Fry a success!

Just Desserts, Ladies!

The Ladies Club provides the desserts each week for the fish fry. 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 Fridays. Thanks in advance and for all of your help in years past!

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

Reverse Raffle & Bingo Night

LFAC and Little Flower PTO are hosting their annual Reverse Raffle and PTO Bingo night on Saturday, March 7; doors open at 6 p.m. 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. IGC License #002626

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, 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:

Mike Curtis 5047 E 13th Street, 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 Love Yourself Fashion Shows are putting on another great show this Needed April! These fashion shows help 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 questions or more information, please contact julia.rbnsn@gmail.com or 317-693-0089.



Ladies Club News

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 experienced 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!

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, and 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.

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT



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.



Scecina's Spring Musical: "Newsies"

The theater students of Scecina Memorial High School present "Newsies" at 7 p.m. Friday, March 20, and Saturday, March 21, at Scecina. More than 75 Scecina students will be coming together on and off the stage to put on this production.

MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL

Set in New York City at the turn of the century, "Newsies" is the rousing tale of Jack Kelly, a charismatic newsboy and leader of a

ragged band of "newsies," who dreams only of a better life far from the hardship of the streets. But when publishing titans Joseph Pulitzer and William Randolph Hearst raise distribution prices at the newsboys' expense, Jack finds a cause to fight for and rallies newsies from across the city to strike for what's right.

Ticket pricing:

- Grade School Age Free
- Scecina Student \$5
- Reserved Seating \$10
- General Admission \$8
- Weekend (both nights) Reserved Seating \$16

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 <u>www.scecina.org/admissions</u>.

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.

The Ave Maria Guild will celebrate a memorial Mass at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, March 10 at St. Paul Hermitage preceding our regular monthly meeting, which will begin at 12:30 p.m. Please feel free to pack a lunch to eat before our meeting.



STEWARDSHIP CORNER Your Gifts of Treasure

Weekly Budget Goal	\$	13,550.00
Collection of February 15 and 16	\$	7,639.34
Electronic Contributions 2/10 – 2/14	\$	2,174.91
Collection of February 22 and 23	\$	11,792.35
Electronic Contributions 2/17 – 2/21	\$	7,571.91
Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Actual	\$	454,076.96
Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Budget	\$	474,250.00
Fiscal Year 2019-2020 YTD DEFICIT	\$	- 20,173.04
<u>Home Improvement Fu</u>	nd	
December Contributions	\$	2,194.64
January Contributions	\$	1,995.64
February Contributions	\$	2,124.14

United Catholic Appeal (gifts processed as of 2/20/2020)

The Archdiocesan United Catholic Appeal, Christ Our Hope, has been going on for about 16 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	119
Amount of gifts received of pledged	\$24,711.00

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

News From Cathedral High School

Shadow at Cathedral High School

Come be a VIP—"Very IRISH Person"—for a day! We invite all 8th grade students to spend a day in the life of one of our students, meeting teachers, attending classes and experiencing what being IRISH is all about! Visiting students will be hosted by a freshman student who has similar co-curricular interests and/or academic abilities. Go to gocathedral.com/shadow for more information or contact Maribeth Cloud at mcloud@gocathedral.com.

High School Placement Test Summer Academy

Cathedral High School is pleased to offer our STS High School Placement Test Academy. This course goes beyond a one-day practice test by allowing students to take two practice tests—one on Monday and one on Friday—with direct instruction from Cathedral math and English teachers for the three days between the practice tests. Students and families will see growth in student scores, and students will leave prepared to maximize their scores on the STS High School Placement Test during 8th-grade. The Academy is being held June 8-12 and July 13-17. Register at www.gocathedral.com/hsptacademy.

Cathedral Trivia Night

Grab your friends and put together a team for Trivia Night! Saturday, March 21st; doors open at 5:00. The event will also feature a competition for best themed table. Beer and wine are provided; you must be 21 and over to attend. Register now at gocathedral.com/giving/events/trivia.

