

# ST. THERESE - LITTLE FLOWER

## ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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### SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

#### Mass

Saturday: 5:00 PM  
 Sunday: 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  
**PARISH CENTER** 317-357-8352 Fax 317-357-5316

**SCHOOL** 317-353-2282 Fax 317-322-7702

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 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](mailto:lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org) by noon on Monday.

Dear Parish Family,

We want to congratulate our First Communicants who are receiving their First Communion at the 9:30 a.m. Mass this Sunday:

Leslie Gallardo      Elizabeth Hollada      Eleanor Wade      Jillian Wade

Several people have asked if we will have the Little Flower Novena this year. It seems to me that we need the novena more this year than in any previous year since I arrived in 2003. This year's Little Flower Novena will begin next Monday, September 21, at 5:30 p.m. Each evening the novena will consist of the novena prayers, a reading, and a Communion Service. The novena will be held Monday through Friday, September 21-25, and Monday through Thursday, September 28 to October 1.

The Solemn Closing of the novena will take place on Thursday, October 1, the Feast of St. Therese. Instead of a Communion Service, the Solemn Closing will end with Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

Also, on Thursday, October 1, we will celebrate the Feast of St. Therese with Mass at 9:30 a.m. As a parish, we will celebrate her feast at all the Masses on the weekend of October 3-4.

Monday is the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. This feast originally celebrated the finding of the true cross by St. Helena, the mother of the Emperor Constantine, in 320 A.D. and the dedication in 335 A.D. of a church built by Constantine over the site of the Holy Sepulcher.

Tuesday is the memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows. As many of you may remember, for many years, Little Flower parishioners attended Sorrowful Mother novena devotions on Friday evenings at 7:00 p.m.

Thank you to all who continue to bring aluminum cans for recycling. Special thanks to our new team of volunteers who take them to the recycling center: Butch and Donna Brown, Dan Mages, and Colin McNabb. Thanks to Greg McAtee who was still taking cans to the recycling center until recently and all those who have done so over the years.

Many of our younger parishioners do not remember a time when everyone was not able to receive from the chalice at Mass. However, for those of us who are older, until the Second Vatican Council, only the priest received from the chalice. As Catholics we believe that anyone who receives the Body of Christ or the Blood of Christ receives the whole Christ because they receive the living Christ.

Have a wonderful week.

*fr. Bob*


We extend our condolences to *Miguel Alvarado and his family* on the death of his wife, **Francisca "Frances" Alvarado**, who passed away on August 30, 2020. Her son, Reynoso, is a student at Sccecina and her daughter, Lorena, is a student at LF. We remember our parishioner **Patrick "Pat" Moriarty** who passed away September 2, 2020. Pat was 89 years young, a longtime parishioner and a man of great faith. Several of his relatives are parishioners at LF: his sons, *Brian Moriarty and Mike Moriarty*, his brother and sister in law, *Denis and Ita Moriarty*, and his son in law, *Frank Adams*. Please keep all of these families in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. May God grant Frances and Pat eternal life.



## MASS Schedule

### For the Week of September 14- 20, 2020

14	September	<b>Monday</b>
	5:30 p.m.	Catherine Oechsli Bowron by Patricia Bowron
15	September	<b>Tuesday</b>
	9:30 a.m.	For the Intentions of Cathie Pfarr by Rita Gibson
16	September	<b>Wednesday</b>
	5:30 p.m.	Mary Elizabeth Sinclair by Charles Sinclair
17	September	<b>Thursday</b>
	9:30 a.m.	Mary Lou Hudson
18	September	<b>Friday</b>
	5:30 p.m.	Mary, Charles, & Patrick O'Hara by Jim O'Hara
19	September	<b>Saturday – Vigil of the 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
	5:00 p.m.	Anne Sitzman Hook by Diane Beasley
20	September	<b>Sunday – The 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
	9:30 a.m.	For the People
	6:00 p.m.	In Thanksgiving for Fr. Bob by Parishioners



**Readings for September 19 & 20**  
**25th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 Isaiah 55: 6-9  
 Philippians 1:20c-24, 27a  
 Matthew 20: 1-16a

To read the readings on-line, go to  
<http://uscgb.org/bible/readings/092020.cfm>





Classes for the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults are available to adults who want to learn more about the Catholic faith. **Due to COVID-19 our classes will**

**be delayed this year.** However, if you are interested in learning more about the Catholic Church, becoming Catholic, or just wanting to know more about our faith, call Lisa at 317-357-8352 ext. 105 or email [lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org](mailto:lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org) so we can put your name on our contact list when classes resume or if you have any questions.



## First Communion

On Saturday, September 19, at the 5:00 p.m. Mass, five of our First Communicants will receive First Eucharist. They are:

Angello Bruno      Sean Bruno      Giovanni Bruno  
Mayra Gutierrez      Eli Schneider

Please keep these children and their families in your prayers.

## "Chillin' with Fr. Bob" 🕶️

Thanks to all who have donated so far to our special "Chillin' with Fr. Bob" campaign to help fund the rectory cooling project. Early estimates for the cost of this project range from \$70,000 - \$90,000. We will provide a weekly report of the progress of this campaign in The Theresean.

Total donations as of September 6 bulletin	\$ 35,669.00
Donations received last week	\$ 3,150.00
Total donations to date	\$ 38,819.00



RCIA for Children is open to all children between the ages of 9 and 17 who have not been baptized or who are baptized in another Christian denomination. These classes are designed to educate children in the Catholic faith

and prepare them for the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil. Whether your family is just entering the Church, returning to practice of the Catholic faith, or delayed your child's sacramental preparation, all are welcome. If you have a child that needs to receive the Sacraments, please contact Lisa at 317-357-8352 ext. 105 or email [lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org](mailto:lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org).



**Representatives of the Ladies Club will be at the doors of church with baskets next weekend, September 19 & 20, for the collection for flowers for the St. Therese Novena.**



Little Flower will offer Religious Education (CCD) for children in kindergarten to 8<sup>th</sup> grade who attend public schools. We are working on a plan to meet in person or virtually. Please watch the bulletin for more information or call Lisa at 317-357-8352 ext 105 or email [lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org](mailto:lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org).

## STEWARDSHIP CORNER

### Your Gifts of Treasure

Weekly Budget Goal	\$	13,000.00
Collection of September 5 & 6	\$	6,717.50
Electronic Contributions 8/31-9/4	\$	8,956.84
Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Actual	\$	128,099.65
Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Budget	\$	130,000.00
Fiscal Year 2020-2021 YTD DEFICIT	\$ -	1,900.35

### Home Improvement Fund

July Contributions	\$	1,847.07
August Contributions	\$	1,990.65
September Contributions (to date)	\$	873.33

**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, Roberta Galluzzi, Gene Miller, Joe Swift, Dave Parris, Denice Rose, Martha Haddin, Gary Walters, Haydee Gloria, Charles Aughe, Fr. Paul Koetter, Margie Greene, Molly Hahn, Bill Rathz, Judy Rathz, Scott Rhinehart, Tricia Allstatt, Charlie Goodman, Bobbie Lawless and Catherine McKenna-Sexton.

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:

### Peggy Albright

429 W. Lincoln Road, Kokomo, IN 46902



**Pray for our active military family/friends:**

**Brian Ledgerwood**, serving on the USS Theodore Roosevelt, son of Diane Anderson.

**Victor Franco**, serving at Malmstrom Air Force Base in Great Falls, MT.

**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](mailto:pclegg@littleflowerparish.org).**



One tradition that has lasted almost from the beginning of the parish is the annual novena to St. Therese. The novena will begin on Monday, September 21, and will be held each weekday evening 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 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 1.

At this time, we plan to live stream the novena service each day and make the novena prayers available on-line on our website. More details will be available in next weekend's bulletin.

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