

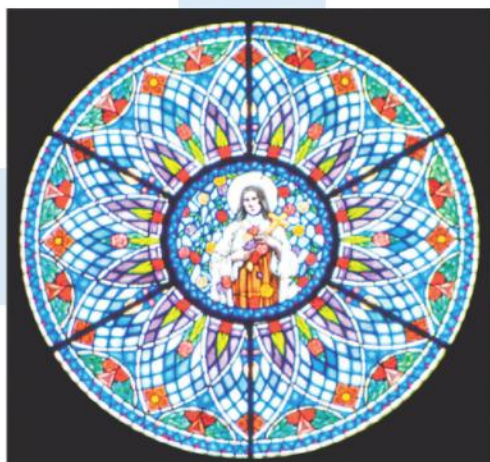
The Epiphany of the Lord



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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.

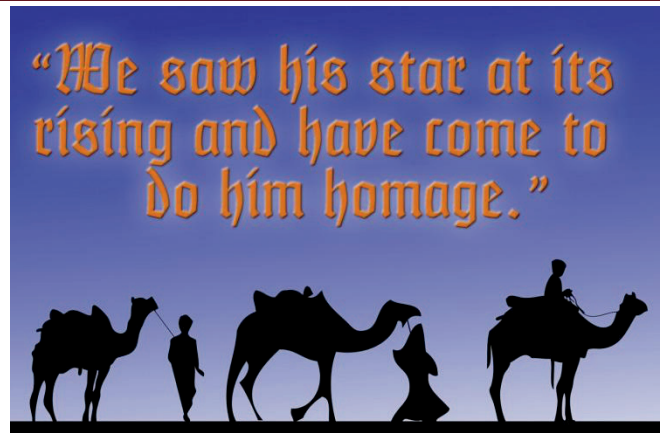
PARISH REGISTRATION

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 by noon on Monday.

Come,
let us
adore
Him.



Dear Parish Family,

Today we celebrate the Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord, Jesus' manifestation to the Gentiles. Epiphany has often been called Little Christmas. In Western Christianity, Christmas is the primary feast. However, in Eastern Christianity Epiphany is the more important and older feast. In some cultures, gift giving is part of the celebration of the Epiphany. In earlier times, the Church celebrated three mysteries on the Solemnity of the Epiphany: the visit of the Magi, Jesus' baptism by John, and the wedding feast at Cana.

During Christmas, two areas of ministry are at the heart of our parish life: our liturgical ministries and our community outreach ministries.

Many visitors, including many former parishioners, attend our Christmas Liturgies. This year we also had many virtual visitors because of our live-streamed Christmas Liturgies. Therefore, I want to thank everyone who worked so hard to make our Christmas Liturgies beautiful celebrations of faith, love, and worship.

Special thanks to Tom Costello, our parish music director. This Christmas Tom faced incredible challenges because of liturgical restrictions caused by the pandemic. Notwithstanding the challenges, we had a small Christmas choir with instrumentalists at each Christmas Liturgy. Thanks to all of them. When people compliment our Liturgies, they primarily compliment our music.

Also, special thanks to Mary Martha Costello, Holly Hodges, and the Art and Environment Committee who, with the help of over 20 volunteers from the parish, decorated the church for Christmas on Wednesday, December 23. Every year people say that Little Flower is the most beautiful church at Christmas.

Thanks also to all of our Liturgical ministers who generously served in their ministries during this Christmas season: Eucharistic ministers, lectors, servers, hospitality ministers, sacristans, church cleaners. Although we highlight music and arts and environment at Christmas, all liturgical ministers play a major part in making our Liturgies beautiful and prayerful and our community welcoming.

Finally, I would especially like to thank the Saint Vincent de Paul Society and the Gabriel Project and everyone who brought Giving Tree Gifts for those in need in our community or baby gifts for those served by the Gabriel Project. These ministries help bring Christ and Christmas into the lives of those less fortunate than we are. We should never forget that these ministries are as important to the mission of the church as the liturgical ministries.

Have a wonderful week.

fr. Bob



Masses For The Week

For the Week of January 4 - 10, 2021

04	January	Monday
	5:30 p.m.	For Healing of the Freeland Family by Carol Freeland
05	January	Tuesday
	9:30 a.m.	Joe Bordenkecher by Steve and Katie Wright
06	January	Wednesday
	5:30 p.m.	For the Intentions of the Lee Family
07	January	Thursday
	9:30 a.m.	Anne Sitzman Hook by Ann McCarty
08	January	Friday
	5:30 p.m.	Ed Smith by Chris and Andrea Johnson & Family
09	January	Saturday – Vigil of the Baptism of the Lord
	5:00 p.m.	Mary, Charles, and Patrick O'Hara by Jim O'Hara
10	January	Sunday – The Baptism of the Lord
	9:30 a.m.	Jim Clifford by His Family
	6:00 p.m.	For the People

Our Sincere Thanks

From Our St. Vincent de Paul Society:

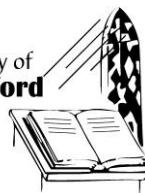
This was a merrier Christmas for 159 children and 45 nursing home residents who live in our Little Flower area and families from Little Flower School.

We gave the families the children's gifts on Saturday, December 19. They also received a Kroger gift card and some food. Our Invite Commission made a bag with a rosary and goodies, including the story of the candy cane.

Thank you for your generosity of taking a tag, shopping, and all of the gift cards/donations. The families were very thankful. God bless all of you!

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.

Liturgy of
the Word



Readings for January 9 and 10

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Is. 55:1-11

I John 5:1-9

Mark 1:7-11

To read the readings on-line, go to:

<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/011021.cfm>

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, Bill Rathz, Judy Rathz, Scott Rhinehart, Tricia Allstatt, Charlie Goodman, Bobbie Lawless, Catherine McKenna-Sexton, Joe Clegg, Mary Skinner, Carol Freeland, Dan Dugan, Sherri (Ruegamer) Dugger, and Lourdes Riedeman.

If you get a chance, please send them a card or a note. It will brighten their day. This week we especially want to remember:

Marianela "Nela" Delaney Fox
4400 Terrace Drive Apt 301, New Palestine, IN 46163



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.

Christopher Torzewski, currently deployed in the United States Army.

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.**



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Your Gifts of Treasure

Weekly Budget Goal	\$	13,000.00
Collection of December 19 and 20	\$	8,211.61
Electronic Contributions 12/14 – 12/18	\$	9,289.34
Collection of December 26 and 27	\$	10,072.00
Electronic Contributions 12/21 – 12/25	\$	2,889.34
Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Actual	\$	332,396.86
Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Budget	\$	338,000.00
Fiscal Year 2020-2021 YTD DEFICIT	\$	- 5,603.14

Home Improvement Fund

October Contributions	\$	2,134.32
November Contributions	\$	2,096.65
December Contributions (to date)	\$	2,619.32

United Catholic Appeal

(gifts processed as of 12/10)

Parish Goal	\$	55,359.00
# of gifts received or pledged		67
Amount of gifts received or pledged	\$	18,044.00



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Epiphany of the Lord

The word "epiphany" comes from the Greek epiphainen, a verb that means "to shine upon," "to manifest," or "to make known." Thus, the feast of the Epiphany celebrates the many ways that Christ has made Himself known to the world, mainly the three events that manifested the mission and divinity of Christ: the visit of the Magi (Matthew 2:1-12), the baptism of Jesus (Mark 1:9-11), and the miracle at Cana (John 2:1-11)

Happy New Year!

*Great occasions
for serving God come seldom
but little ones
surround us daily.*

St. Francis de Sales



The next baptism class for parents wishing to have a child baptized will be on Monday, February 1, at 7:00 p.m., in the Parish Center. Baptism class is required for any parents who wish to have a child baptized and have not taken the class.



On Sunday, January 10, Confirmation candidates, and team will gather for our next session from 7 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Please meet in the Parish Center.

Sacrament Programs

RCIA – Please pray for the eight individuals who are attending our RCIA sessions and are preparing to enter the Church through Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist at Easter.

Our next RCIA session will be on Tuesday, January 5, 2021, at 7 p.m. in the parish center.

First Eucharist – Please pray for our twenty 2nd graders and their families, who are preparing to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation and the Sacrament of the Eucharist.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Children

Classes will begin soon for any children between the ages 9 or above 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. Please contact Lisa at the parish office if you would like to enroll your child. Please email lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org or 317-357-8352, ext. 105.





CHRISTMAS FLOWER MEMORIALS



The Parish gratefully acknowledges all those who donated poinsettias
in honor of loved ones for our use in Christmas decorating.

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