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#### SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

5:00 PM Mass Saturday:

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 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?

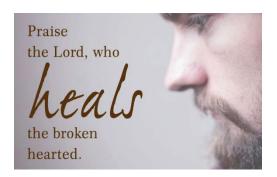
Inquiry Classes begin in late August as part of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). Call Parish Center for information.

#### 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 Saturday at the 5:00 p.m. Mass, we will celebrate the Rite of Enrollment and Illumination with the  $2^{nd}$  graders making their First Eucharist this spring. The children have been learning about how we celebrate as a family and as God's people. This rite reinforces their baptism and reminds them that as Christians we are especially happy because we know that Jesus is present with us when we come together to celebrate. At this rite, the children will be called forward by name. Along with their parents, they will renew their baptismal promises and receive a lit candle from their parents as a reminder of the light of Christ living within them and their call to be lights to the world. Please pray for these families during this preparation time.

They have also been preparing to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time. Because of COVID, they will celebrate the sacrament in small groups beginning this Saturday, February 13, and continuing on February 20, February 27, and March 6 at 3:45 p.m. We realize this is during our normal Reconciliation time. However, because of COVID-19, we could not gather as a group. There will be five students at a time, so others will have time to receive the sacrament. Please keep these children and their families in your thoughts and prayers as they prepare for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and the Eucharist.

Thanks to all who attended last Sunday's Little Flower School Virtual Open House. It was the first time we have held this type of event online. Special thanks to Elizabeth Mann and Lauren Lay from our school marketing committee who organized, promoted, and chaired the event. Also, special thanks to Mary Rodriguez, Lori Falk, the teachers, and the School Commission. Twentynine families registered for the virtual Open House, including eight new families.

Please know that you are most welcome to contact the school to make arrangements to visit and tour the school. Again, I especially want to invite the parents of any prospective students, including those whose children are still too young for school, to contact the school to visit and tour the school. Please feel free to invite others who may be searching for a school for their family to contact the school. For many families, vouchers have made Little Flower Catholic School more affordable than ever.

Thursday is the feast of Our Lady of Lourdes. Thursday we want to pray for Our Lady of Lourdes Parish. Our Lady of Lourdes, together with Holy Spirit, Little Flower, and St. Philip, is part of the Eastside Catholic Community. Our Lady of Lourdes School, together with Holy Spirit, Little Flower, and Scecina Memorial High School, is part of the Eastside Catholic School Partnership. Thursday is also the World Day of Prayer for the Sick.

Next Sunday is World Marriage Day and Valentine's Day. Therefore, each of our Liturgies will include a special blessing for engaged and married couples.

Some people have asked about opening the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. Although the Blessed Sacrament is not exposed, the Blessed Sacrament Chapel is open for adoration. At this time, we simply could not schedule enough adorers to have exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. If you need the code to access the east door/adoration chapel, please call the parish office.

Unfortunately, many Catholics confuse perpetual adoration with perpetual exposition. The Bishops' Committee on the Liturgy of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops published a book entitled *Thirty-One Questions on Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*. They wrote, "The Blessed Sacrament may be adored while contained in the tabernacle for an extended period of time; this is called 'perpetual adoration." Perpetual exposition is when the Blessed Sacrament is always exposed. Parishioners and others are welcome to adore the Blessed Sacrament in the tabernacle at any time.

For daily Masses (except all-school Masses), we only unlock the east door (near the rectory). If you are having a Mass said for someone and you invite non-parishioners, please remind them that they can only enter by the east door.

Have a wonderful week.

fr. Bob



#### For the Week of February 8 - 14, 2021

February	Monday	
5:30 p.m.	Souls in Purgatory by John T. Kelly	
February	Tuesday	
9:30 a.m.	Norman McCarty by Ann McCarty & Family	
February	Wednesday	
5:30 p.m.	Mary B. Moriarty Adams by Michael & Linda Jerrell	
February	Thursday	
9:30 a.m.	Anne Sitzman Hook by Kurt & Patty Schnell	
February	Friday	
5:30 p.m.	Gigi Rondinella by Ron & Diane Sharp	
February	Saturday - Vigil of the 6th Sunday of	
	Ordinary Time	
5:00 p.m.	Rita Gibson by Ladies Club	
February	Sunday - Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time	
9:30 a.m.	Jim Hammond	
6:00 p.m.	For the People	
	5:30 p.m.  February 9:30 a.m.  February 5:30 p.m.  February 9:30 a.m.  February 5:30 p.m.  February 5:30 p.m.  February 5:30 a.m.	



#### Part-Time Maintenance Assistant

We currently have a part-time daytime position (approximately 25 hours per week) for a highly motivated person to fill an immediate

opening. Position will include general maintenance and light custodial work of all parish buildings and grounds. Applicant should have general knowledge of maintenance and custodial duties related to school and church buildings. Applicant will work in conjunction with Maintenance Director and night cleaning contractor to maintain Little Flower's campus. Applicant must be able to do heavy work, with some use of equipment for floor cleaning. Previous work experience in maintenance preferred.

This position could be ideal for a handy person who is retired and looking for something part time to stay busy.

Interested persons should email information to Angie Mackell at <a href="mailto:amackell@littleflowerparish.org">amackell@littleflowerparish.org</a>.

Due to current guidelines on social gatherings and in an effort to keep all of our senior parishioners healthy and safe, there will be **NO Senior Prom** this year. Hopefully we will be able to have one in 2022!



## Our Sympathy

We extend our sympathy to *Barb and John Bruce* on the death of Barb's

mother **Katie Lamping**. Please keep all of Katie's family and friends in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. May God welcome Katie into his eternal glory.

#### STEWARDSHIP CORNER

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

Weekly Budget Goal	\$ 13,000.00
Collection of January 30 and 31	\$ 5,075.00
Electronic Contributions 1/25-1/29	\$ 2,624.34
Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Actual	\$ 395,724.17
Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Budget	\$ 403,000.00
Fiscal Year 2020-2021 YTD DEFICIT	\$ - 7,275.83

#### **Home Improvement Fund**

November Contributions	\$ 2,096.65
<b>December Contributions</b>	\$ 2,619.32
January Contributions	\$ 2,163.65

#### United Catholic Appeal

(gifts processed as of 1/28)

Parish Goal	\$ 55,359.00
# of gifts received or pledged	108
Amount of gifts received or pledged	\$ 27,172.00



The Men's Club is working very hard to bring the Fish Fry back during Lent this year. They are working with the Marion County Department of Health to establish safety protocols that will allow limited indoor dining as well as a drive-thru carryout service. Stay tuned for more information!



Readings for February 13 and 14 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46 I Corinthians 10:31-11:1

Mark 1:40-45

To read the readings on-line, go to:

https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/021421.cfm



Ash Wednesday is Wednesday, February 17. Masses will be at 9:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. As is our custom, we will have Stations of the Cross and a Communion Service on each Friday during Lent, beginning on Friday, February 19.

# FESTIVAL NEWS Summerfest 2021 Tentative dates – June 4, 5, and 6

We are not really sure what the festival might look like this year, but we are beginning to make plans. We have hope that some form of the festival will take place this year.

#### YOUR ACTION REQUIRED!

If you plan to volunteer in any **gaming** capacity at this year's 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 <a href="mailto:sclegg@littleflowerparish.org">sclegg@littleflowerparish.org</a> with a subject line of "Festival Worker Information" by February 8:

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

If you sent us your information previously 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 it now 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!



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, Lourdes Riedeman, and the Forestal Family.

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:

#### Natalie Isom 2520 S Rockport Rd. Apt 303, Bloomington, IN 47403



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.

#### **Birthline Ministry Volunteer Opportunities**

Birthline is a ministry of the Office of Human Life & Dignity which provides baby layettes for families in need. We are currently receiving donations which are accepted on Monday & Wednesday from 10:00 am – 2:00 (closed from Noon – 12:45 pm) at the Xavier Building (Crisis Center's main entrance on Northside of building – 1435 Illinois Street, Indianapolis 46202)

#### **Urgent Needed Items**

Winter and Spring Clothes all sizes and boy and girl pajamas, sizes, 18 months, 24 months and 2T. We always need baby wash and diaper cream.

- Have you ever thought about being a volunteer? Birthline is currently looking for volunteers to help on Monday and Wednesday at the Xavier Building to prepare layettes and assist clients. Bi-lingual is a plus. Training is provided. Social distancing observed.
- Phone volunteers are needed to help monitor the phones and schedule clients from their home. Training is provided. Must have a computer.
- Joe-Handyman to help on Monday and/or Wednesday from 9:00 a.m. 3 p.m., to accept and evaluate the donations coming in, to assist clients with layettes back to their cars, and general labor in a working environment. If you are available to help in this ministry, please contact Keri Carroll at (317) 236-1433 or birthline@archindy.org



#### Win a \$3,000 Scholarship

Students who apply and enroll at Scecina by **March 31, 2021,** are eligible for a \$3,000 Early Bird Scholarship. All five items below must be completed. The winner's name will be drawn on April 5, 2021!

- 1. Apply for admission and complete your application.
- 2. Be accepted as a member of Scecina's Class of 2025.
- 3. Complete your registration form and pay the registration fee.
- Complete the tuition assistance application or financial aid waiver.
- 5. Course Request by attending Curriculum Night on February 24, March 3, or making an individual appointment.

#### **Don't Miss Early Bird Registration**

If your child has been accepted to Scecina, don't miss out on the reduced Registration Fee of \$125, which is available until March 31, 2021. You can complete the registration form and pay the registration fee through your SchoolAdmin enrollment checklist.

#### Sign Up for Curriculum Night!

An important step in preparing for high school at Scecina is creating a class schedule! Sign up for a Curriculum Night session at Scecina, and our School Counseling team will help you and your Crusader choose the required and elective courses for the 2021-2022 school year! Curriculum Night will take place at 6 p.m. on February 24 and March 3. You only need to sign up for one session! You can register through your SchoolAdmin portal, or go visit www.scecina.org/admissions.

#### Visit Scecina - School Tours

Taking a personalized tour is the best way to experience Scecina. Meet our teachers, guidance counselors, coaches, and learn why you'll love being a Crusader! Register here for a tour! Have questions about Scecina? Contact the Admissions Team! We are here for you!

- Miriam Medina, Director of Admissions, mmedina@scecina.org or 317-352-3287.
- Ellen Walsh, Assistant Director of Admissions, ewalsh@scecina.org or 317-3256-6377 ext. 1317.



#### Little Flower School Enrollment is Open!

With a top-rated reading program, Project Lead the Way STEM curriculum, and excellent music/art programs, Little Flower Catholic School offers something for every preschool through 8th grade child. Educating students to be passionate, social-justice-driven individuals in a family- centric environment is our specialty.

Enrollment is open, and we would love to offer you a personal tour of our school. Call our office at 317-353-2282, or visit us online at www.littleflowerparishschool.org.



The 6th Annual E6 Catholic Men's Conference

The 6<sup>th</sup> Annual E6 Catholic Men's Conference is back for 2021 with live streaming options this year. Improve your vocations and become better spouses, parents, children, brothers and neighbors by growing in masculine virtue. Be the leader, protector and provider Christ is calling you to be! In 2021, be a light in a world of darkness! The 6th annual E6 Catholic Men's Conference will take place on February 27, 2021 and features 3 of the world's most dynamic Catholic speakers: Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers, Jason Evert and Patrick Coffin. Watch it LIVE! Easy one-click online access for only \$10. Host a "watch party" with your friends, family, men's group or entire parish. These tickets are available online by going to www.e6catholicmensconference.com/registration.

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