

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?

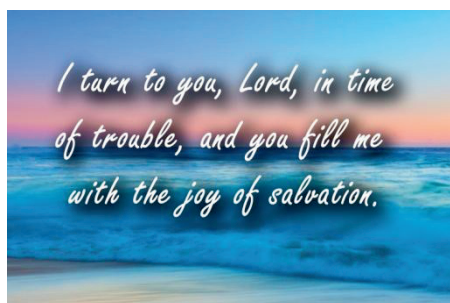
Inquiry Classes begin in late August as part of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). Call Parish Center for information.

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 by noon on Monday.



Dear Parish Family,

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

This Wednesday is Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent.

On Ash Wednesday, we will celebrate Mass and distribute ashes at 9:30 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. Please note the announcement elsewhere in the Theresean about how we will receive ashes this year.

Beginning on Ash Wednesday, there will also be a change to the ending of the opening prayers at Mass. Currently most of these prayers end with "one God, forever and ever." Beginning Ash Wednesday, the ending will be simply "God, forever and ever." This will make the English translation conform to the original Latin of the Roman Missal which never included the word *one*.

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 Catholics from the age of eighteen until their fifty-ninth 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, **a small remembrance will be available to everyone who comes to Mass on the First Sunday of Lent, February 20-21.** Please be here to receive this remembrance which will serve as a challenge to us this Lent.

Dynamic Catholic is offering **Best Lent Ever 2021**. According to Dynamic Catholic, "Nothing will transform your life so completely, absolutely, and forever like really learning how to pray. That's why this year's BEST LENT EVER journeys through Matthew Kelly's latest book, *I Heard God Laugh: A Practical Guide to Life's Essential Daily Habit*." You can sign up at <https://dynamiccatholic.com/best-lent-ever>.

There will be **no Lenten Penance Service** this year. Confessions are 3:45 to 4:30 p.m. each Saturday. Also, you are invited to call to make an appointment for Confession.

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. **Because of COVID, the Fish Fry will look different this year. There will be limited indoor dining with extra restrictions for COVID safety as well as a drive-through carryout service.** Additional information can be found elsewhere in today's Theresean. **Please support the Fish Fry by purchasing carryout orders or by attending in person.** 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 will depend on the number of dinners purchased.** 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.

Today is the anniversary of the 1993 death of Msgr. Stanley (Duke) Manowski, a priest of the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend. He liked brain teasers. This was one of his favorites for school children: "A man had 3 children and 23 horses. When he died, he left one child $\frac{1}{2}$ of his horses, another child $\frac{1}{3}$ of his horses, and the last child $\frac{1}{8}$ of his horses. How many horses did each child receive?"

Have a wonderful week.

fr. Bob



Indiana University Health

We are looking for a few people to begin a second training for the IU/Little Flower Congregation Partnership connector training. Phase two begins in March. We have been involved for six months, and some of us need to take time off. We are looking for people who would like to be a part of this ministry. It involves a four-week, one-hour per week commitment for training. You will be able to accompany one of our neighbors who has been discharged from IU Health. We connect with them once a week by phone and connect them to our community of Little Flower to help them navigate systems to meet their concerns. If you would like to hear more about this program and would like to be a part of this ministry, please call or text Chris Arvin at 317-270-2930.

Readings for February 17

Ash Wednesday

Joel 2: 12-18

2 Corinthians 5:20—6:2

Mark 6:1-6, 16-18

To read the readings on-line, go to:

<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/021721.cfm>

Readings for February 20 and 21

1st Sunday of Lent

Genesis 9:8-15

1 Peter 3:18-22

Mark 1:12-15

To read the readings on-line, go to:

<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/022121.cfm>





We remember our parishioner, **Agnes Evrard** who passed away on January 31 and whose funeral service was held on February 4. Agnes was 89 years young and a parishioner since 1971. She helped with Mercy Meals and participated in the Adventuresome Group. She was faithful about attending daily Mass until she moved to Crestwood Village. We extend our condolences to **Michele Fontanella** on the death of her mother, **Mary Jo Campbell**. Mary Jo was 86 years young and became a parishioner in 1972. She was a very faithful Catholic and the sister of Fr. Dave Sullivan, who would often fill in for Fr. Bob while he was on vacation. Her funeral liturgy will be here on February 19 at 10:00 a.m. We also offer our sympathy to **Jack Warner** on the death of his daughter **Helen Heckman** who was the principal at St. Bartholomew School in Columbus, IN. We remember our parishioner **Gerald "Jerry" Wilzbacher D.D.S.** who passed away on February 3 and whose funeral service was held on February 8. Jerry was 84 years young and had a dental practice on the Eastside of Indianapolis by Community Hospital for over 35 years. We remember **Fr. Peter Gallagher** who passed away. Fr. Peter was 60 years old and pastor of Our Lady of the Springs, French Lick, IN and Our Lord Jesus Christ the King, Paoli, IN. May God welcome Agnes, Mary Jo, Helen, Jerry, and Fr. Peter Gallagher into his eternal glory.



The Search is a 7-part video series from Formed. In the first episode, we open hearts with a look at the question "What do you seek?" What is that deep longing in our hearts all about? We're all living for something, and we all strive for that something out there that is ultimately going to make us happy. But what is it? For some, this question is on their minds every day. For others, life goes by in a flash without even asking the question.

Join us for discussion and fellowship. Check out Little Flower on Facebook or Instagram (@littleflowerindy) to find the registration link for this program, or send an email to lfindy@icloud.com. And make sure to register for Formed at formed.org. It's free!



For the Week of February 15 - 21, 2021

15	February	Monday
	5:30 p.m.	Souls in Purgatory by John T. Kelly
16	February	Tuesday
	9:30 a.m.	Marion Blake by Sandy Gilday
17	February	Ash Wednesday
	9:30 a.m.	Teresa Echrich by Barbara Greeson
	6:00 p.m.	Verna Curtis by Kellie Tucher
18	February	Thursday
	5:30 p.m.	Pat Moriarty, Jr. by Fr. Joe Moriarty
19	February	Friday
	5:30 p.m.	Way of the Cross & Communion Service
20	February	Saturday – Vigil of the 1st Sunday of Lent
	5:00 p.m.	Jack Gilmore by John Paul & Mary Christine Scheu
21	February	Sunday – The First Sunday of Lent
	9:30 a.m.	For the Intentions of Fr. Bob by Little Flower Parish
	6:00 p.m.	For the People

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Your Gifts of Treasure

Weekly Budget Goal	\$	13,000.00
Collection of February 6 and 7	\$	6,896.00
Electronic Contributions 2/1-2/5	\$	8,971.84
Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Actual	\$	411,592.01
Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Budget	\$	416,000.00
Fiscal Year 2020-2021 YTD DEFICIT	\$	- 4,407.99

Home Improvement Fund

December Contributions	\$	2,619.32
January Contributions	\$	2,163.65
February Contributions (to date)	\$	949.83

United Catholic Appeal

(gifts processed as of 2/4)

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

Coming Soon!

Watch your mail for your annual stewardship intention card. Intention weekend will be February 27/28. Please plan to return your completed card to Mass that weekend, or you may mail it to the parish office in the enclosed return envelope.

Festival News

Summerfest 2021 – Tentative June 4, 5, & 6

The next leadership team meeting is Wednesday, February 24, at 6:00 p.m. via Zoom.

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:

Theresa Lotz

853 N Butler Ave, Indianapolis, IN 46219



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.

Permission has now been granted for the homebound to receive Communion. If you are not able to attend Mass due to being over the age of 65 or immunocompromised, please contact Peggy Clegg at 317-357-8352 x 106 or pclegg@littleflowerparish.org, and every effort will be made to find someone to bring you Communion.



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, February 21, 2021.

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 amackell@littleflowerparish.org.



Ash Wednesday is Wednesday, February 17. Masses will be at 9:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. The 9:30 a.m. Mass will be live-streamed. Some of our school students will be present at the morning Mass, but we will have room for some parishioners as well.

As with so many things, Ash Wednesday will bring some modifications to the rite due to precautions necessary because of COVID-19. The Vatican and the Archdiocese of Indianapolis have issued directives that require these changes. After the priest blesses the ashes he will address everyone and say the familiar words "Remember you are dust, and to dust you shall return." He will say those words only once, just prior to the distribution of ashes. All those who will be assisting with the distribution of ashes will wear a mask. They will take a small amount of ash between their fingers and sprinkle them on the top of the head of each person coming up for ashes without saying anything. Those coming forward for ashes should bow their heads allowing the minister to easily sprinkle on the crown of the head. These changes to the rite will seem awkward and possibly frustrating for those of us accustomed to the "normal" distribution of ashes. Again, as with so much of what we do at Mass, our objective is to take every precaution possible to insure the safety of all of you.

Here is a link to a helpful video outlining the changes for this year.
https://m.youtube.com/watch?fbclid=IwAR1eUZ_KS9TX4Jhof8XnuiChu-MghYFMxYzZ_RG_wa7TnQzmOxnkbTHoVeE&v=85diUfUyRjw&feature=youtu.be

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, at 5:30 p.m. Right now, our plan is to live-stream the Stations for the first week and then make that recording available to watch on the following Fridays.

We have some extra booklets for the Stations of the Cross that we will be using to pray the Stations. If you are currently not attending church in person but would like to have a booklet to pray the Stations at home along with the live-stream or at another time, please call the parish office at 317-357-8352. We will mail you a booklet, or you can stop by and pick one up.



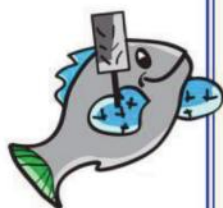
Just Desserts Ladies!

The Ladies Club provides the desserts each week for the Fish Fry, beginning this Friday, February 19! This year we are asking ladies to please put desserts in single-serving plastic bags. All Ladies of the Parish are members of the Ladies Club, so bring your sweets to the school cafeteria after 3:00 p.m. on Friday. Thanks in advance and for all of your help in years past!

FRIDAYS DURING LENT

February 19 thru March 26
4:30 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.**FISH FRY**sponsored by
Little Flower Men's Club**Little Flower
Catholic Church**

1401 N Bosart Ave

**DRIVE-THRU CARRYOUT SERVICE AVAILABLE!
LIMITED DINE-IN SERVICE****ADULT MEAL \$8.50 (age 10 & up) or SENIOR MEAL \$7.50**

- Choice of main dish
- Dinner roll
- Drink (dine-in)
- 2 sides
- Dessert

KIDS MEAL \$5.00—Age 9 and under

- Choice of main dish
- Dinner roll
- Drink (dine-in)
- 1 side
- Dessert

**MENU****Main Dishes:**

Fried Fish, Baked Fish (Lemon pepper or blackened), Fish Nuggets, Fried Shrimp, Cheese Pizza, Potato Soup, or Clam Chowder

Sides:

Cole Slaw, Salad, Applesauce, Green Beans, Mac & Cheese, Au Gratin Potatoes, French Fries, Nachos

Desserts: Options vary week to week**Drinks:** Lemonade, Iced Tea, Coffee, Water**A LA CARTE**Without Dinner

Fish	\$4.00
Nuggets	\$4.00
Shrimp	\$4.00
Pizza	\$4.00
Soup	\$4.00
Sides	\$2.00
Dessert	\$1.00
Soda	\$1.00
Bottled Water	\$1.00

With Dinner

Fish	\$2.00
Nuggets	\$2.00
Shrimp	\$2.00
Pizza	\$3.00
Soup	\$3.00
Sides	\$1.50
Dessert	\$1.00
Soda	\$1.00
Bottled Water	\$1.00

COVID-19 SAFETY PROTOCOLS**DINE-IN:**

- Dining area will be limited to 87 people.
- All dine-in customers must enter through door #4 (elevator entrance) or door #10 (south end of school).
- All dine-in customers must exit through door #6 (cafeteria main door).
- Face masks **MUST** be worn at all times except when seated and eating/drinking.
- Members of different households must be seated with proper social distancing (6 feet) from other customers.
- Floor will be marked for social distancing while in line.
- One household unit at a time will be admitted to the serving area.
- All staff and volunteers will complete a COVID screening form and have their temperature taken upon arrival.

CARRYOUT:

- All carryout orders will take place in the drive-thru. Volunteers will assist with orders, payment, and delivery of meals to vehicles.

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