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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.

Katie Leszcynski

Michele Rosenbaum

Communion Services

At-Large Member

At-Large Member

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,

We are working to resume Children's Liturgy of the Word on Sunday, September 12. However, we need more volunteers to help! If you are interested in helping out, please find information elsewhere in the bulletin. The Children's Liturgy of the Word program is every Sunday during the 9:30 a.m Mass for children 3 years old to 1st grade.

Are you interested in knowing about the Catholic Faith? Sessions (RCIA) for adults will begin on Tuesday, September 7, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the Parish Center. If you are interested in learning more about the Catholic Church, becoming Catholic, or if you have been baptized Catholic and have not made First Communion or

Confirmation, call Lisa at 317-357-8352 ext. 105, or email lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org for more information. We also need our parish community's help to welcome others to the Church. If you know of anyone that is in need of a Church community, let us know!

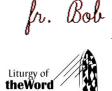
The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the Church's process for individuals to become Catholic and receive the sacraments of initiation—Baptism, Confirmation, and the Eucharist. The Rite speaks of conversion as a "spiritual journey." Centered on fostering a deep relationship with Jesus and the Church he founded, this journey takes place through distinct stages over a period of time suitable to bring about a thorough catechesis, significant experience of the parish community, and commitment to the liturgical and moral life of the Catholic faithful. The RCIA process is a restoration of the ancient catechumenate that arose within the first three centuries following the era of the apostles. It was the early Church's way of Christianizing the pagan Roman Empire. The Second Vatican Council called for the restoration and use of this venerable and powerful method of initiation for the worldwide Church.

Both this week and next week, the All-School Mass will be on Thursday at 9:30 a.m. instead of Friday.

Tuesday is the Feast of St. Bartholomew Apostle. Bartholomew in the Synoptic Gospels is Nathaniel in John's Gospel. It is believed that Bartholomew is a surname meaning "the son of Tolmai." When Nathaniel approaches Jesus, Jesus, knowing his heart, praises him: "Here is a true Israelite. There is no duplicity in him" [Jn. 1:47]. Jesus praised him for being a person of integrity.

Friday is the feast of St. Monica, and Saturday is the feast of St. Augustine. St. Monica is the patroness of mothers. She was the mother of St. Augustine. Through her prayers, she gained the conversion of her pagan husband and of St. Augustine who had lived a wild life until the age of 33. It was St. Augustine who wrote, "My heart will never rest until it rests in you, O Lord." Because our heart is open to the infinite, nothing—no person, no thing—other than God can make us perfectly happy.

Have a wonderful week.



Readings for August 28 and 29 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Deuteronomy 4: 1-2, 6-8 James 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27 Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

To read the readings on-line, go to https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/082921.cfm

NEWLY

Please welcome into our Christian community Hanna Marié Elaine and Mianná Marie

Lee, daughters of Derek and Crystal (Warman) Kemmerlin, baptized on Sunday, August 8, 2021.

Weekend Mass Attendance (weekly averages)

| December 2019 - February 2021 (pre-pandemic) | 608 |
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| June 2020 - August 2020 | 184 |
| September 2020 - November 2020 | 252 |
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| December 2020 - February 2021 | 238 |
| March 2021 - May 2021 | 324 |
| June 2021 | 369 |
| July 2021 | 385 |
| August 2021 (so far) | 419 |

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



Mass Intentions

For the Week of August 23 - 29 2021

August Monday
5:30 p.m. Frances Dugan
August Tuesday

5:30 p.m. Bernice VanNoy by Charlotte Allstatt

25 August Wednesday 5:30 p.m. James Gilday 26 August Thursday

9:30 a.m. Susie Young by Charlie Goodman

27 August Friday

23

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5:30 p.m. Steve Schmidt by B.J. Schmidt

28 August Saturday -Vigil of The 22nd Sunday in

Ordinary Time

5:00 p.m. Sr. Rosaire Bishop O.S.F. by Charlie,

Pauline, and Andrea Graf

29 August Sunday - The 22nd Sunday in Ordinary

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9:30 a.m. Carol Luken by Bill Luken

6:00 p.m. For the People

/ THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

August 22 - 29, 2021

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| DAY | ROOM | TIME | GROUP | | | |
| Sunday | 21st Sunday in | Ordinary Tim | ie | | | |
| Monday | St. Therese | 6:30 p.m. | SoulCore | | | |
| | St. Patrick | 7:00 p.m. | Baptism Class | | | |
| Tuesday | St. Therese | 10:00 a.m. | Legion of Mary | | | |
| Wednesday | St. Patrick | 7:00 p.m. | Liturgy Committee | | | |
| Thursday | St. Therese | 8:00 p.m. | AA | | | |
| Friday | In front of | 3:30 p.m. | Ladies Club Mums | | | |
| | Church | | Pick-Up | | | |
| Saturday | | | | | | |
| Sunday | Parking Lot | 10:30 a.m. | Parish Picnic | | | |



Attention all Parents of Teens Grades 9-12

Confirmation Preparation for 2021-2022 will be starting soon!

If you are interested in preparing your teen for the Sacrament of Confirmation, please attend the one and only informational meeting on Sunday, September 12, 2021 at 7 p.m. in the parish center. Questions? Call Michele Rosenbaum at 317-443-7342.

Save the Date Little Flower Card Players!



Please join The Little Flower Men's Club's
3rd Annual Euchre Tournament
Saturday, September 18, 2021
6 p.m. (after 5 p.m. Mass) in Duffey Hall (cafeteria).
This year we are serving hamburger or hot dog meals
with a tournament entry!
Keep watching the bulletin for more information.

IGC Permit #2626



THE RESUMPTION OF ADULT CHOIR

Our current plan, assuming no outside restrictions will be imposed, is to resume Adult Choir with practice on Tuesday, September 7, 2021 at

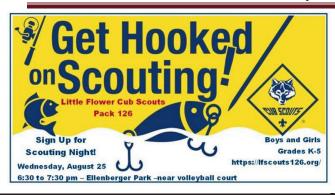
7:00 p.m. in Church. Recent communication indicates the majority of choir members are anxious to return. However, based on the fact that spreading the virus is more significant during singing than speaking, face masks will be required for choir members. The situation will be monitored and modified appropriately. **We appreciate the willingness of choir members to live with this restriction** *temporarily*. (It's not easy to sing with a mask on!)

In the midst of this return, we still need to look at member recruitment. In many ways, it's a great time to join and even veteran members are a bit rusty at this point! The adult choir sings at the 9:30 A.M. Mass on most Sundays from September through May. Practices are held on most Tuesday evenings from 7:00 P.M. until 8:30 P.M. We could use some new voices in all voice sections, with a significant need in the men's sections. No previous experience is necessary!! Please give some serious thought to see if God is calling you to serve in this important ministry. Practices begin on Tuesday, September 7. If you have questions or if you are planning to join, e-mail Tom at tcostello@littleflowerparish.org.



The next **Baptism Preparation Class** is **Monday, August 23, at 7:00 p.m.** in the Parish Center. This class is required for parents who are requesting baptism for their child and

have not previously attended a preparation class. Please call the parish center at 317-357-8352 if you plan to attend. Plan ahead, as the next class will not take place until November.



STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Your Gifts of Treasure

| Weekly Budget Goal | \$ 13,000.00 |
|-------------------------------------|------------------|
| Collection of August 14 and 15 | \$ 5,484.70 |
| Electronic Contributions 8/9 – 8/13 | \$ 2,482.34 |
| Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Actual | \$ 87,167.11 |
| Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget | \$ 91,000.00 |
| Fiscal Year 2021-2022 DEFICIT | \$ - 3,832.89 |
| Home Improvement Fund | |
| June Contributions | \$ 2,109.32 |
| July Contributions | \$ 1,908.99 |
| August Contributions (to date) | \$ 1,765.49 |

Please keep our ill and homebound parishioners and friends 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, Denice Rose, 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, the Forestal Family, Mitzi Loomis, Jane Bell, Lois Irwin, Joanna Estes, Cathy Mears, John Kelly, and Charlene Fisher.

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:

Agnes Nedeff

729 E. 57th St, Indianapolis, IN 46220 (101 on 8/18/2021)



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.



We Need Your Help!

Children's Liturgy of the Word will begin again on Sunday September 12. We are looking for volunteers to help! Children's Liturgy of the Word is for children 3 years old through 1st grade and meets most Sundays during 9:30 a.m. Mass.

Children's Liturgy follows the Liturgical Year and Gospel Readings. Volunteers are provided with lesions and supplies to incorporate prayer, singing, and crafts that help the children gain the full message given during Mass. Volunteers are assigned on a rotating basis. Please contact Mindy Gordon at 317-402-3263 or email sun_moon_stars79@hotmail.com.



Ladies Club News

- If you ordered mums please pick-up on Friday, August 27, from 3:30 p.m. to 7 p.m., in the front of the Church.
- Mark Your Calendar! The first Ladies Club meeting is Thursday, September 2, at 7 p.m. in Duffey Hall (school cafeteria.) We hope to see you there!



Save the Date!

The 21st Annual Father Robert Borchertmeyer Golf outing is just around the corner. The outing will be on **Friday September 10, at 8:00 a.m.** at Pleasant Run Golf Course. The cost is only \$75 this year! This year we will be doing online registration and

sponsorships. See the link below. We will also be sharing the link via Facebook, Twitter, and LinkedIn.

https://lfgolftournament.com/

Please notice that the time has changed for this year. We will be teeing off at **8:00 a.m.** this year. Please contact Jeff Lyons at 317-294-9242 or jeffly200@gmail.com if you are interested in playing.

your attention please

We are excited to announce that **Coffee and Donuts** will begin again starting the weekend after Labor Day. Please plan on joining us on **Sunday**, **September 12 after the 9:30 a.m. Mass in Duffey Hall** (school cafeteria.) This is a great way to get to know other parishioners. The donuts are free, but there will be a free will offering basket to help defray costs.

FORMED FAITH FORMATION CLASSES



Coming to Little Flower!

- Classes will begin the week of September 13.
- Three classes to choose from.
- Easy enrollment 8/31-9/13.

THE SEARCH CONTINUTES: Monday evenings 6:30-8:00 p.m. This is a series of Q & A interviews by Chris Stefanick with professors from the Augustine Institute. Based on some of the most searched questions on the internet on the Catholic faith with videos followed by discussion. Examples: Is there really a hell? Why is there a pope? What is Purgatory? What about Church scandals? A seven week series led by Kurt Schnell.

PRESENCE: The Mystery of the Eucharist - <u>Thursday evenings 6:30-8:00 p.m.</u> Although the Eucharist appears to be simple bread and wine, it is actually the "source and summit" of the Christian life. This series explores the truth and beauty of Christ's real presence in the Eucharist, from its origins in Sacred Scripture to its profound role in the life of the Church and her members. It is the crescendo of the entire story of salvation. A six week series led by Bernie Sponsel.

FORGIVEN: The Transforming Power of Confession - <u>Thursday afternoon 1:30-3:00 p.m.</u> Explores the grace and healing offered in Confession and shows how this sacrament of mercy reveals the depth and bounty of God's love. By looking at God's revelation of his mercy in Scripture and making a step-by-step examination of the Rite itself, Forgiven communicates God's invitation to each one of us to come experience his indescribable love in the Sacrament of Reconcilation. A five week series led by Elizabeth Deputy Mann.







Little Flower Parish Picnic

Sunday, August 29, 2021
Following 9:30 a.m. Mass
On the Parish Grounds.
All are welcome!

Don't miss out on all the fun!!

Please join us for an exciting day! Lunch after 9:30 Mass

Water Slide: There will be a water slide for children ages 3-3rd grade, weighing less than 100 pounds. Children younger than 3 may slide with a parent present. **Swimsuits must be worn.** Don't forget to bring a towel!

Games & Bingo after Lunch

Please meet outside the Parish Center at 8:30 a.m. if you are able to help with setting up tables and chairs. Help will also be needed after the picnic is over to return the tables and chairs to the cafeteria!

Fried Chicken, Drinks & All Paper Products Provided

Please bring a dish to share that will feed at least 10-12 people. In the past we have run out of food. We don't want anyone to go hungry!

If your Last Name Begins With:

A—**F** Cold Dish – pasta salad, macaroni salad, veggies, etc.

G—M Hot Dish – mac and cheese, baked beans, au gratin potatoes, etc.

N—S Cut fruit/cut veggies—relish tray, fruit tray, cut watermelon

T—Z Desserts – cake, brownies, cupcakes, cookies, etc.

Hosted by the Parish Life Commission



PICK OF THE WEEK

August 22, 2021

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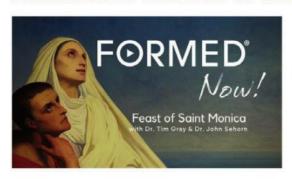
AUGUSTINE: A VOICE FOR ALL GENERATIONS WITH MIKE AQUILINA

During this very special week for the Augustine Institute, we celebrate both our patron, St. Augustine, and his mother, St. Monica! As a preeminent Doctor of the Church, Augustine has been said to be "the holiest of the wise and the wisest of the holy." To celebrate this great Church Father, please enjoy Augustine: A Voice for all Generations!



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FORMED NOW: THE FEAST OF SAINT MONICA

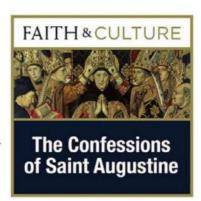


Throughout her life, St. Monica constantly prayed for the conversion of Augustine, her beloved son. In a moment of desperation, she even asked for the bishop's help. In response, he said, "the son of those tears surely will not perish." Truly, as this bishop remarked, Monica's tearful prayers helped build her son into the Doctor of Grace. In this video, join Dr. Gray and Dr. Sehorn as they discuss more about this great Saint.

LISTEN

THE FAITH AND CULTURE PODCAST: THE CONFESSIONS OF ST. AUGUSTINE

In this episode of the Faith and Culture podcast, Joseph Pearce and Dr. John Sehorn discuss the most towering Church Father of the West, St. Augustine. Together, Peace and Sehorn describe the purpose of Augustine's Confessions, the relatability of this Saint, and his impact on the world in his own time and culture. Finally, they discuss what we can learn from Augustine today.



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