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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,

Next Sunday we will welcome Sr. Tiberh Hagos, a Comboni Missionary Sister, who will ask for our prayers and support for the missions and ministries of her community. Our own Fr. Mike Barton is a Comboni Missionary. Please be as generous as possible.

As we look forward to more people returning to Sunday Mass, there has probably never been a greater need for hospitality ministers, especially the need to provide a hearty welcome at the church doors before Mass. Right now we have a serious shortage of greeters. If you would be willing to help us with this important ministry, please call or email Mike Wehlage at (317) 606-9426 or mwehlage@indy.rr.com.

Monday is the feast of St. John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church. *Chrysostom* means “golden mouthed”. St. John Chrysostom was an outstanding preacher. He is one of the four great Doctors of the Eastern Church.

Tuesday we celebrate the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. This feast celebrates both the finding of the true cross by St. Helena, the mother of the Emperor Constantine, in 320 and the dedication of the Basilica of the Holy Sepulcher.

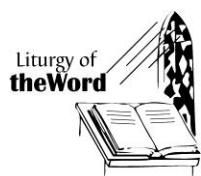
Wednesday is the feast of Our Lady of Sorrows. By the 14th century, there were seven sorrows listed: 1. The Prophecy of Simeon [Lk. 2: 25-35]; 2. The Flight into Egypt [Mt. 2: 13-15]; 3. The Child Jesus Lost in the Temple [Lk. 2: 41-50]; 4. Mary meets Jesus carrying the cross [Lk. 23: 27-29]; 5. Mary at the foot of the cross [Jn. 19: 25-30]; 6. Mary receives the body of Jesus [Ps. 130]; and 7. Mary witnesses the burial of Jesus [Lk. 23: 50-56].

Friday is the feast of St. Robert Bellarmine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church. With RCIA starting last week and Sunday, September 19 Religious Education will begin, it is good to note that St. Robert Bellarmine is the patron saint of catechists and catechumens.

Finally, a couple of people have asked if the Blessed Sacrament Chapel is open for adoration. The chapel is open and available 24/7. However, the Blessed Sacrament is not exposed. If you are in there at night and no one is there when you leave, please shut off the light in the chapel.

Have a wonderful week.

fr. Bob



**Readings for September 18 and 19
25th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Wisdom 2: 12, 17-20

James 3:16-4:3

Mark 9:30-37

To read the readings on-line, go to

<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/091921.cfm>



The next adult choir practice will be Tuesday, September 14 at 7 p.m. in church. If you are interested in joining but missed the first practice, it is not too late! Please call Tom at 357-8352, ext 107 or e-mail tcostello@littleflowerparish.org



Mass Intentions

For the Week of September 13 - 19, 2021

13	September	Monday 5:30 p.m.	Connie Gill by Ed & Donna Meier Selm
14	September	Tuesday 5:30 p.m.	Joanne Faust, Agnes Evrard, & Helen Schreiber by Diane & Ron Sharp
15	September	Wednesday 5:30 p.m.	Kathleen Okerson by the Okerson Family
16	September	Thursday 5:30 p.m.	Souls in Purgatory by John T. Kelly
17	September	Friday 9:30 a.m.	Mary Lou Hudson
18	September	Saturday – Vigil of The 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time 5:00 p.m.	For the People
19	September	Sunday – The 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:30 a.m.	Mary, Charles, & Patrick O'Hara by James T. O'Hara
		6:00 p.m.	For the Intentions of Fr. Bob Gilday by the Parish

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

September 12 - 19, 2021

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP
Sunday	Church	9:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy
	Duffey Hall	10:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts
	St. Therese	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation Meeting
Monday	St. Therese	6:30 p.m.	SoulCore
	Duffey Hall	6:30 p.m.	The Search Continues
Tuesday	St. Therese	10:00 a.m.	Legion of Mary
	Church	7:00 p.m.	Choir
	Parish Center	7:00 p.m.	RCIA
Wednesday	St. Patrick	6:00 p.m.	Finance Council
	Duffey Hall	6:15 p.m.	PPS Meeting
Thursday	St. Therese	1:30 p.m.	Forgiven
	Duffey Hall	6:15 p.m.	First Communion Parent Meeting
	St. Patrick	6:30 p.m.	The Presence
	St. Therese	8:00 p.m.	AA
Friday	Church	9:30 a.m.	All School Mass
Saturday	Duffey Hall	6:00 p.m.	Men's Club Euchre Tournament
Sunday	Church	9:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy
	Duffey Hall	10:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts
	School	10:30 a.m.	Religious Ed

Share Your Faith!

Weekend Mass Attendance (weekly averages)

December 2019 - February 2021 (pre-pandemic) 608
June 2020 - August 2020 184
September 2020 - November 2020 252

December 2020 - February 2021 238
March 2021 - May 2021 324
June 2021 - August 2021 385
Weekend of September 4/5 347

First Reconciliation & First Eucharist Program

Catholic families who have children entering 2nd grade are invited to **Parent Meeting on Thursday, September 16, at 6:15 p.m.** in Duffey Hall (school cafeteria). At this meeting we will discuss the program and commitments that are required. Children will make their First Reconciliation during Lent and First Communion will be Sunday, April 24, 2022.

Baptism is required to receive these sacraments. If you have not had your child baptized, please contact Peggy Clegg in the parish office at 317-357-8352 or email pclegg@littleflowerparish.org. You will need to attend a **Baptism Class** prior to your child's baptism. **The next class will be on Monday, November 8 at 7 p.m. in the parish center.** We would like all baptisms completed by January 2022. We are here to help you in this process and are very excited to be a part of this journey of faith for you and your child. If you have any questions please contact Lisa at 317-357-8352 ext. 33 or email lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org.



Trash Bag Sales: Trash bags are \$13 per roll and made in Indiana from Indiana recyclables. Proceeds from sales pay for field trips and more. Forms along with payment (cash, check or credit) are **due in school or parish office by 3 p.m. on September 20.** You may also place them in the collection basket

by September 19. Additional order forms and credit card payment forms can be downloaded from the school website. Checks may be made payable to "Little Flower School." Thank you for supporting our students!

CYO Sports

Attention any girls in grades 4th-8th interested in participating in CYO basketball. Registration is now open. To register log into www.orgsonline.com. You can find step by step instructions on the Little Flower school website

under the Athletics page "Enroll Now." For questions reach out to Lynda Trimble at trimblelyn@aol.com.





One tradition that has lasted almost from the beginning of the parish is the annual novena to St. Therese. The novena will begin on Tuesday, September 21, and will be held each weekday 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 Friday, October 1.

We will celebrate the Feast of St. Therese at all the Masses on the weekend of September 25/26.



Our semi-annual **Blood Drive** will be **Wednesday, October 6 from 3:00 – 7:00 p.m. in Duffey Hall (school cafeteria).** All safety precautions will be observed. Face masks will be required. In order for this to be a successful drive we need 20 donations. Please schedule your donation appointment at the following link:

<https://donate.indiana.versiti.org/donor/schedules/zip> or contact Peggy Clegg. Donations are needed now more than ever due to COVID! Please consider donating. REMEMBER: When you give blood you give someone another chance to ride a bike, go out to eat, play with their child, attend church, and to live!! Please contact Peggy Clegg at 317-357-8352 X106, or pclegg@littleflowerparish.org if you have any questions.



Sunday, September 26 Annual Parish Feast Day and Parish Appreciation

Mark your calendars to attend the Parish Appreciation brunch in Duffey Hall following the 9:30 a.m. Mass. All are invited!

ATTENTION ALUMNI! On Saturday, November 6, we will host the annual Little Flower School All-Class Reunion. Reserve this date, and please pass the word to Little Flower School Alumni! Details to follow.



Legion of Mary

Little Flower Legion of Mary is the only English speaking Legion of Mary in Indianapolis, Indiana. We are seeking membership at this time to assure the continuation of this humble ministry of prayerful devotion to our mother Mary. Please text or call Loris Irwin for information, at 317-313-1713. Make calls between 1 – 3 p.m., or leave a message for a call back. Thank you.

Take a **closer** look!



Please join us for a first-of-its-kind meeting. Our new idea is to have the first ever PPS. Parish. Parents. School.

The purpose of this new association is to build a

strong partnership between our church and school community. Our overarching goal is to collaborate so that we can continue to enrich the lives of our students, as well as the hearts of our parish. While this organization will take on many of the roles of a PTO-fundraising, teacher appreciation, room parents, etc-there are so many other wonderful things happening at both our church and our school for us to share. Together we are stronger and everyone benefits.

If you are interested in joining or just hearing more about this new endeavor please join us on Wednesday, September 15 at 6:15 PM, in Duffey Hall (cafeteria), or call our principal, Mr. Gawrys, at 317-353-2282.

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!

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Your Gifts of Treasure

Weekly Budget Goal	\$	13,000.00
Collection of September 4 and 5	\$	8,014.34
Electronic Contributions 8/30-9/3	\$	8,529.84
Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Actual	\$	126,967.39
Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget	\$	130,000.00
Fiscal Year 2021-2022 DEFICIT	\$	- 3,032.61

Home Improvement Fund

July Contributions	\$	1,908.99
August Contributions	\$	2,360.32
September Contributions (to date)	\$	1,105.83

*All things are
possible with God*

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, Charlene Fisher and Janet Wilkerson.

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:

Marty Tamer
Arlington Place

635 N Arlington Avenue, Indianapolis, IN 46218



Pray for our active military family/friends:

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

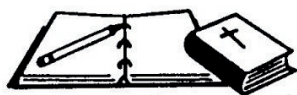
Victor Franco, serving at Malmstrom Air Force Base in Great Falls, MT.

Matthew Hughey, serving at Scott Air Force Base – nephew of Rita Cooning.

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.

Calvary Gravesites for Sale

Sacred Heart section 20, row 5, lot 5 numbers 1 & 2 \$3,000; 3 side by side gravesites Sacred Heart section 20 Row 3 lot 123 numbers 1 & 2 and lot 122 number 1 \$4,500. Flush markers only. Call Pat at 317-357-4163 or email at pmbirish@att.net.



Religious Education News

Little Flower offers Religious Education (CCD) for children in kindergarten to 8th grade who attend public schools. We will meet on most Sundays from 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. **beginning September 19, 2021 through April 2022. PLEASE NOTE if you have a child in 2nd grade that needs to make First Communion and attends a public school, please enroll your child in Religious Ed.** If you have any questions, or to register for Religious Ed, please email Lisa at lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org, or call 317-357-8352 ext. 105. Or you may go to this link to register online at <http://www.littleflowerparishschool.org/about-us/sunday-religious-education>

Explore Your Faith

Scan the QR Code to learn more about each topic and register for a class. (Or two!)

The Search Continues

PRESENTED BY KURT SCHNELL
7 sessions beginning Monday,
September 13, 2021 at 6:30 PM in
the Cafeteria.



The Presence

PRESENTED BY BERNIE SPONSEL
6 sessions beginning Thursday,
September 16, 2021 at 6:30 PM in
the Parish Center.

Forgiven

PRESENTED BY ELIZABETH MANN
5 sessions beginning Thursday,
September 16, 2021 at 1:30 PM in
the Parish Center.



Register by phone at 317-501-0060
or email at invite@littleflowerparish.org.



**SCECINA
MEMORIAL
HIGH SCHOOL**

Applications for Admission

Applications for the Class of 2026 are available. Students who apply by November 4, 2021, and complete all application requirements will receive an Admissions Decision during Thanksgiving week. Please visit scecina.org/admissions/ for more details.

Important 2021-22 Admissions Dates (subject to change)

- Open House: November 4
- High School Placement Test: November 13, December 4, January 8
- Curriculum Night: February 23 and March 2

Scholarships for 8th graders

Scecina is pleased to offer several scholarships for incoming freshmen. To review these scholarships and the requirements, please visit www.scecina.org/scholarships.

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