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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,

This weekend we welcome Sr. Tiberh Hagos, a Camboni 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.

Today is Catechetical Sunday. This year's theme focuses on healing and comes from words we say at Mass: "Say the Word and My Soul Shall Be Healed." Catechetical Sunday is an opportunity for all Catholics to rededicate themselves to the mission of handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel as a community of faith. The day provides an opportunity to celebrate those who do the important work of handing on the faith, and an opportunity for all of us Catholics to consider ways we are witnesses for Jesus Christ ourselves.

Therefore it is appropriate that today we begin our Sunday Religious Education classes for children who are in grades kindergarten to 8th grade and attend public schools. Please pray for these children, catechists, and parents as they grow closer to Jesus.

This year's Little Flower Novena will begin this Tuesday, September 21, at 5:30 p.m. Each evening the novena will consist of the novena prayers, a reading, and a Communion Service. The novena will be held Tuesday through Friday, September 21-24, and Monday through Friday, September 27 to October 1.

The Solemn Closing of the novena will take place on Friday, October 1, the Feast of St. Therese. Instead of a Communion Service, the Solemn Closing will end with Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

Also, on Friday, October 1, we will celebrate the Feast of St. Therese with an All-School Mass at 9:30 a.m. As a parish, we will celebrate her feast at all the Masses next weekend, September 25-26.

The 1945 Jubilee Brochure described the first Little Flower Novena:

The first public novena in honor of the Little Flower came to a close on her feast, September 30, 1927. Crowds from all over the city participated in this novena, the average nightly attendance being about 700. Closing night, an estimated 1500 persons were present.

Thanks to Jeff Lyons and all those who helped with the Father Robert Borchertmeyer Golf Outing on Friday, September 10, at Pleasant Run Golf Course. We had a wonderful day, and the weather was outstanding. We had a total of 74 golfers this year and gave away swag bags filled with items from Four Roses Bourbon and Ole Smokey Moonshine. Thanks to Matthew Schepers for the donation of the Swag bags for the golfers. The winning team was comprised of Brion St. Amour, Mark Epperson, Danny Williams and Jeff Borgman. They shot a 47, which was 24 under par.

Thanks to all of our sponsors, those who donated prizes for our golfers, and Casey Kehrer and the Steer-In for providing lunch. The golf committee consisted of Scott Sidor, Dan Mages, Rick Fischer, Paul Clegg, and Steve Clegg. Thank you to the other volunteers who helped at the event: Angie Mackell, Sam Mackell, Joanne Mages, and Amy Clegg. Thanks to all who supported the golf outing.

Have a wonderful week.

fr. Bob



Mass Intentions

For the Week of September 20 - 26, 2021

20	September	Monday
	5:30 p.m.	Frank Klinkose by Kathy Klinkose
21	September	Tuesday
	5:30 p.m.	Little Flower Novena & Communion Service
22	September	Wednesday
	5:30 p.m.	Little Flower Novena & Communion Service
23	September	Thursday
	9:30 a.m.	Delia Gilday
	5:30 p.m.	Little Flower Novena & Communion Service
24	September	Friday
	5:30 p.m.	Little Flower Novena & Communion Service
25	September	Saturday – Vigil of The 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
	5:00 p.m.	George Johns
26	September	Sunday – The 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
	9:30 a.m.	For the People
	6:00 p.m.	Robert Wilson by the Allstatt Families

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

September 19 - 26, 2021

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP
Sunday	Church	9:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy
	Duffey Hall	10:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts
Monday	St. Therese	6:30 p.m.	SoulCore
	Duffey Hall	6:30 p.m.	The Search Continues
	Off-Site	7:00 p.m.	Men's Club
Tuesday	St. Therese	10:00 a.m.	Legion of Mary
	Ellenberger Park	6:30 p.m.	Cub Scouts Pack #0126
	Church	7:00 p.m.	Choir
	Parish Center	7:00 p.m.	RCIA
Wednesday			
Thursday	Church	9:30 a.m.	All School Mass
	St. Therese	1:30 p.m.	Forgiven
	St. Patrick	6:30 p.m.	The Presence
	St. Therese	8:00 p.m.	AA
Friday	No School/Parent Teacher Conferences		
Saturday	Eagle Creek Park	9:00 a.m.	Club Scouts Fishing Derby
Sunday	Church	9:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy
	Duffey Hall	10:30 a.m.	Parish Appreciation Brunch

Share Your Faith!



**Readings for September 25 and 26
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
(Celebrating the Parish Feast Day)**
Micah 6:6-8
Colossians 3:12-17
Matthew 18:1-4

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
September, 2021 (so far)	363



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 or check only) are **due in school or parish office by 3 p.m. on September 20.** Checks may be made payable to "Little Flower School." Thank you for supporting our students!



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.



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.

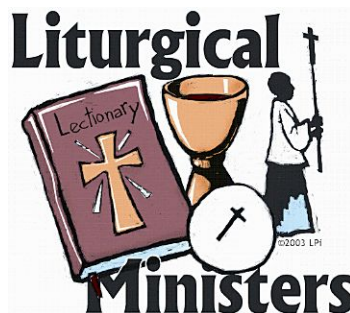
STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Your Gifts of Treasure

Weekly Budget Goal	\$	13,000.00
Collection of September 11 and 12	\$	6,556.34
Electronic Contributions 9/6-9/10	\$	2,717.34
Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Actual	\$	135,991.07
Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget	\$	143,000.00
Fiscal Year 2021-2022 DEFICIT	\$	- 7,008.93

Home Improvement Fund

July Contributions	\$	1,908.99
August Contributions	\$	2,360.32
September Contributions (to date)	\$	1,408.16



We will soon be running the schedule for October, November, and December for Lectors, Servers, and Eucharistic Ministers.

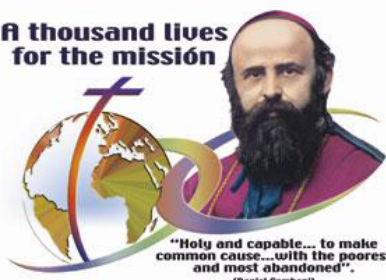
We would like to accommodate times that you anticipate being away and unable to

serve. Could you please send a list of any dates that you would be unable to serve to the coordinators of each ministry (emails below):

- Lectors, please email Diane Sharp at dmssharp02@aol.com
- Eucharistic Ministers, please e-mail Ron Sharp at duvkote@aol.com
- Servers, please e-mail Lisa Gibbons at lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org

Please look ahead at your calendar, as it is much easier to let us know now when you are unavailable than it is for you to try to find a substitute. If there are no dates that you anticipate being away, there is no need to respond. **If however, you have dates to request that you should not be scheduled, please respond to the appropriate ministry coordinator no later than Monday, September 20.**

A thousand lives
for the mission



"Holy and capable... to make
common cause...with the poorest
and most abandoned".
(Daniel Comboni)

Mission Appeal

This weekend we are happy to welcome the Comboni Missionary Sisters, an international missionary community founded in 1872 by Saint Daniel Comboni, the first Catholic Bishop of the immense Vicariate of Central Africa of his time.

The Comboni Missionary Sisters are particularly committed in Evangelization, empowering women through formal and informal education, to train community leaders, and to accompany Church and Societal efforts on advocacy, social justice and dialogue. They serve in 34 countries in the world. Let us share with them the liveliness of our faith, our desire to serve, and the kindness of our solidarity!

Senior Drive-Thru Flu Shots and More!

Touchpoint is offering a **Drive-Thru Flu Shot and More clinic** for anyone over the age of 55 at Community Hospital North, East, and South. All registered participants will have the opportunity to receive a flu, pneumonia, and/or COVID-19 vaccination provided by Walgreens. Additionally, all participants will receive a resource bag full of information and goodies from community partners and Community Health Network, as well as a delicious boxed lunch to-go. Glucose, cholesterol, and blood pressure screenings will be available to those interested.

The dates are:

- Friday, October 1, Community Hospital North
- Thursday, October 7, Community Hospital East, and
- Friday, October 8, Community Hospital South

The time is from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Registration is required. You may register by calling 317-621-2700, or register online using the link below.

<https://www.ecommunity.com/services/senior-services-touchpoint/vaccine-clinics>

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.

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, Denise 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:

Roberta Galluzzi

9225 Garrison Dr Apt 105, Indianapolis, IN 46240



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.



learn more about the Catholic faith. **Our next session will be on Tuesday, September 21, at 7 p.m. in the Parish Center. Our topic for the evening is The Bible.** Please join us!

Sessions for the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults are available to adults who want to



Religious Education News

If your child attends a public school, Little Flower offers Religious Education (CCD) for children in kindergarten to 8th grade. We meet on most Sundays from 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Our next class is Sunday, October 3.

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>

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~Healing from Trauma & Abuse~

Telling our stories of trauma and abuse is not about placing blame. It is about opening ourselves up to hope, understanding, and compassion. We are reminded that we are all sinners on a quest for holiness.

Join Fr. Steve Schafflein and Patty Moore as they present

The Greatest Stories Ever Told

Sunday, October 10, 2021

6:30-8:30 p.m.

This program will begin with a video presentation of the Eva Kor story and her journey of healing and forgiveness.

There is no cost to participate in this special program, but registration is required. Freewill contributions gratefully accepted. To register, visit www.benedictinn.org, or call 317-788-7581.

"I hope, in some small way, to send the world a message of forgiveness, a message of peace, a message of hope, a message of healing." Eva Kor, Holocaust survivor.

All things are possible with God

Turn a new leaf Fall into giving

Wednesday
October
6

4:00PM – 7:00 PM

Blood Drive

Little Flower Catholic Parish Blood Drive

Blood Mobile in parking lot
1401 N Bosart
Indianapolis, IN 46201

APPOINTMENTS PREFERRED

Register using the QR code below or on-line at
https://donate.indiana.versiti.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/142512 or
contact Peggy Clegg at 317-357-8352 ext.106 or pclegg@littleflowerparish.org



Shine a light on sickle cell. All attempting donors will receive a limited-edition sickle cell awareness t-shirt as a thank you, while supplies last.

Helpful tip:
Make sure to eat a healthy meal and drink plenty of water before donating.





Little Flower Parish FEAST DAY and Appreciation Celebration

**PLEASE
JOIN US!**

In a spirit of thankfulness and celebration for your ongoing gifts of time, talent, and treasure, Fr. Bob and the staff of Little Flower request the presence of you and your family at a special brunch for all parishioners.

The purpose of this meal is to celebrate everything that is great about Little Flower—**YOU!**



~SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26~

~DUFFEY HALL~

**IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING
9:30 A.M. FEAST DAY MASS**

**Brunch will be provided, so you
don't need to bring anything!**

**R.S.V.P. to the Parish
Center
317-357-8352, ext.103 or
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on or before September 22.**

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