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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.

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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,

This weekend we are celebrating the Feast of St. Therese at all the weekend Masses. Our annual Appreciation Brunch will take place after the 9:30 a.m. Sunday Mass.

The Little Flower Novena will continue Monday through Friday evening at 5:30 p.m.

Friday, October 1, is the Feast of St. Therese. There will be

an All-School Mass on Friday at 9:30 a.m. All are invited.

The Solemn Closing of the Little Flower Novena will be Friday, October 1, at 5:30 p.m. The Solemn Closing will consist of the traditional procession with the relic of St. Therese with those preparing for First Communion dropping rose petals, the novena prayers, and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. I hope that many of you will make a special effort to attend.

This Monday, September 27, is the feast of St. Vincent de Paul. We need to thank all the members of the Little Flower conference of the St. Vincent de Paul Society for their ministry to those in need within our parish boundaries. They are fulfilling Pope Francis' call to reach out to those on the peripheries.

This Monday is also the 61st anniversary of the death of Fr. William Vollmuth. Fr. Vollmuth was one of the most popular Little Flower associate pastors. He served at Little Flower from June 18, 1947 until October 7, 1957. In 1959, Fr. Vollmuth became the founding pastor of St. Jude Parish on the Southside.

Wednesday, September 29, is the Feast of the Archangels Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael. Michael means "Who is like God?" Gabriel means "God's Strength." Raphael means "God's Remedy." All three are mentioned in the Bible. References to Michael can be found in the Book of Daniel 10: 13 & 21 and 12:1, the Letter of Jude 1:9, and the Book of Revelation 12:7. References to Gabriel can be found in the Book of Daniel 8:16 & 9:21 and in the Gospel of Luke 1:19 & 26. Finally, references to Raphael are found throughout the Book of Tobit: "So Raphael was sent to heal them both: to remove the cataracts from Tobit's eyes, so that he might again see God's sunlight; and to marry Raguel's daughter Sarah to Tobit's son Tobiah, and then drive the wicked demon Asmodeus from her" [3:17].

Monday, October 4, is the feast of St. Francis of Assisi. Our annual pet blessing will be this Saturday, October 2, at 9:30 a.m. on the west lawn of the church.

Finally, congratulations to the Little Flower Old Timers' kickball team who placed third in the Our Lady of Lourdes Kickball Classic tournament last weekend!

Have a wonderful week.

fr. Bob



For the Week of September 27 – October 3, 2021

27 September Monday 5:30 p.m. Little Flower Novena & Communion Service 28 September Tuesday 5:30 p.m. Little Flower Novena & Communion Service 29 Wednesday September Little Flower Novena & Communion Service 5:30 p.m. 30 September **Thursday** Little Flower Novena & Communion Service 5:30 p.m. October Friday 01 Souls in Purgatory by John T. Kelly 9:30 a.m. Solemn Closing of the St. Therese Novena 5:30 p.m. with Benediction Saturday -Vigil of The 27th Sunday in 02 October **Ordinary Time** The Scecina Class of 1971 5:00 p.m. Sunday - The 27th Sunday in Ordinary 03 October

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Sr. Juliann Babcock by Tom & Mary Martha

September 26 – October 3, 2021

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For the People

September 26 – October 3, 2021						
DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP			
Sunday	Church	9:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy			
	Duffey Hall	10:30 a.m.	Parish Appreciation			
			Brunch			
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			
	Holy Family	6:00 p.m.	Chess Team Practice			
	Church	7:00 p.m.	Choir			
Wednesday	Duffey Hall	6:15 p.m.	Family Game Night			
Thursday	St. Therese	1:30 p.m.	Forgiven			
	St. Therese	8:00 p.m.	AA			
Friday	All School Ma	Mass at 9:30 a.m.				
	The Feast of S	f St. Therese				
	Church	5:30 p.m.	Closing of the Novena 1st Communicants in Procession			
	Church	6:00 p.m.	Wedding Rehearsal			
Saturday	Parish Lawn	9:30 a.m.	Pet Blessing			
	Church		Wedding			
Sunday	Church	9:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy			
	Duffey Hall	10:30 a.m.	Coffee & Donuts			
	School	10:30 a.m.	Religious Ed			



9:30 a.m.

6:00 p.m.

Readings for October 2 and 3 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Genesis 2:18-24 Hebrews 2:9-11 Mark 10:2-16

To read the readings on-line, go to

https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/100321.cfm



ANNUAL PET BLESSING

On **Saturday, October 2**, we will have our annual **Blessing of Pets** in honor of the Feast of St. Francis, patron saint of animals. Please plan on bringing your fur babies! We will begin at 9:30 a.m. in the grassy area between the church and the school (Bosart lawn).



We extend our condolences to *Mary Perry* on the death of her husband, **William Perry**. Although William was not Catholic, he attended Mass

almost every week with Mary. His funeral services were held on September 18. We remember **Dennis Barton**, LF class of 1958 and Scecina class of 1962, who passed away on September 13. Dennis is the brother of *Marycatherine Barton* and *Fr. Mike Barton*. We extend our sympathy to *Bill and Judy Rathz and Frank and Angie Mackell* on the death of Bill's niece, and Angie's cousin, **Elaine Tobin**. Please keep all of these families in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. May God welcome William, Dennis, and Elaine into his eternal glory.



Ladies Club News

We are excited to welcome at our October 7 meeting, guest speaker, and parishioner, Liz Subrin. She will share the story of her step-daughter, Margaux, who has a rare chromosome disorder Dup 15Q. She has written a series of children's

books starring Margaux to bring awareness of this rare disorder and to give children a look into the lives and interests of children like Margaux. All ladies of our parish are members of The Ladies Club so please plan to attend.

We also have a request to make. It has been a long standing tradition to honor any lady, present or past member of our parish, that has passed away, by forming an Honor Guard to precede her in her final journey into the Church. We are in need of additional ladies to form this Honor Guard. If you would be available please contact Rosie Torzewski at 317-954-4629 or rosietorz@gmail.com

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.



One tradition that has lasted almost from the beginning of the parish is the annual novena to St. Therese. The novena continues this week, Monday through Friday, 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 and

will include Benediction rather than a Communion Service.

The Bloodmobile will be in the Little Flower parking lot on Wednesday, October 6 from 3:00 – 7:00 p.m. 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.

Weekend Mass Attendance (weekly averages)

December 2019 - February 2021 (pre-pandemic)	608		
June 2020 - August 2020	184		
September 2020 - November 2020			
December 2020 - February 2021			
March 2021 - May 2021			
June 2021 - August 2021			
September, 2021 (so far)			

??? HAVE YOU EVER WONDERED ABOUT???

Why is there a PRIESTHOOD?

Why **CONFESS** to a **PRIEST**?

Come to The SEARCH CONTINUES Monday, September 27. Watch the short videos, and join the discussion led by Kurt Schnell, and you will get some Answers! Or bring the friend that asks **You** about this!

Little Flower School Cafeteria, 6:30 p.m.



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Your Gifts of Treasure

Weekly Budget Goal	\$ 13,000.00
Collection of September 18 and 19	\$ 6,252.13
Electronic Contributions 9/13-9/17	\$ 8,227.34
Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Actual	\$ 150,470.54
Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget	\$ 156,000.00
Fiscal Year 2021-2022 DEFICIT	\$ - 5,529.46

Home Improvement Fund

July Contributions	\$ 1,908.99
August Contributions	\$ 2,360.32
September Contributions (to date)	\$ 1,847.99

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-servicestouchpoint/vaccine-clinics.

Applications for Admission

Applications for the Scecina Memorial High School Class of 2026 are open! 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.

Zoom Through Admissions (Virtual Sessions Via Zoom) Affording Your Scecina Education

October 5 at 5:30 p.m. (English) and 6:30 p.m. (Spanish). Meet the Tuition Office team and learn about our commitment to making your Scecina education affordable for you. We will show you the application process for financial aid, scholarships, and the Indiana Choice Voucher. Visit scecina.org/zoom to register.

VIP Pass

Don't forget to collect VIP Passes for your children's free admission to Crusader home athletic events, concerts, and plays during the 2021-22 school year. Your VIP Passes can be printed out or you can download them onto your phone to show at ticket booths. The VIP Pass is for children and students up to grade 8 and is not valid for city tournaments or post-regular season athletic events. Visit scecina.org/visit for a link to download your pass!

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:

Charlie Goodman 2313 N Graham Ave, 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.



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-religiouseducation

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PICK OF THE WEEK

Sept 26, 2021

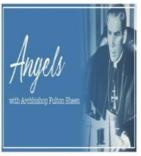
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A pampered child from a middle-class 19th century French family, Therese Martin journeys to Rome to beg Pope Leo XIII for permission to enter the Carmelite monastery at the unheard-of age of 15. Once admitted she experiences the joys and rigors of monastic life, and makes the surprising yet simple discovery that holiness can be achieved by small acts of love and compassion – a spiritual path she calls her "Little Way."



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In this compilation of three episodes from his classic television program, "Life is Worth Living," Bishop Fulton Sheen delivers his thoughts on various elements of the Catholic Faith with his ever-present humor, animated presentation, and captivating mode of speaking. In the first segment, "Angels," Bishop Sheen explicates the nature of angels and the meaningful role they play in our world.

LISTEN

THE CASE FOR JESUS BY DR. BRANT PITRE

Dr. Brant Pitre, Scripture scholar and bestselling author, uses biblical and historical evidence to bolster the "case for Jesus" by exposing the problems with the many false theories that have been introduced over the past hundred years, resulting in widespread skepticism about the reliability of Christian Faith. He tackles head-on questions like: Were the four Gospels written anonymously? Did Jesus claim to be God? Did Jesus fulfill the Jewish prophecies of the Messiah? and many more.



DR. BRANT PITRE



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