



The celebration of World Mission Day is aimed at supporting the missionary work carried out in my name by the Pontifical Mission Societies, in order to meet the spiritual and material needs of peoples and Churches throughout the world, for the salvation of all. ~Pope Francis



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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Saturday:

5:00 PM 9:30 AM, 6:00 PM Sunday: 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

Monday - Friday 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM 317-357-8352 Fax 317-357-5 OFFICE HOURS: PARISH CENTER

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

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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 MARRIAGEContact 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 parishippor in admitted. 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 DEADLINEArticles 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 Mission Sunday. In his message for World Mission Day 2021, Pope Francis wrote, "The theme of this year's World Mission Day – 'We cannot but speak about what we have seen and heard' (Acts 4:20), is a summons to each of us to 'own' and to bring to others what we bear in our hearts." Mission Sunday reminds us that we are called to be a missionary Church. In a special way, Mission Sunday reminds us to pray for and support those who have answered Jesus' call to "'Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature" [Mk. 16:15]. This week I would encourage you to remember in your prayers Fr. Mike Barton, a Comboni missionary from Little Flower.

Today is also the 77th Anniversary of the death of Fr. Thomas Scecina for whom Scecina Memorial High School is named. Fr. Scecina was born on September 16, 1910, in Vicksburg in Greene County, Indiana. After studies at St. Meinrad Seminary, he was ordained a priest of the Archdiocese of Indianapolis on June 11, 1935. Father Tom faithfully served God and country as a military chaplain during World War II before perishing at sea with other Prisoners of War on October 24, 1944. One can argue that Fr. Scecina died a martyr. Scecina Memorial High School opened in 1953 with Fr. Harry Hoover as Principal. The first class graduated in 1957.

There is an Archdiocesan high school in each deanery of Indianapolis. Scecina Memorial high school is the East Deanery high school and, therefore, Little Flower's high school. Bishop Chatard is the North Deanery High School. Cardinal Ritter is the West Deanery High School. Roncalli is the South Deanery High School.

Thursday is the Feast of Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles. Simon was called the Zealot. The Zealots were a party opposed to Roman rule. St. Jude, also called Thaddeus, which means courageous, is the patron saint of hopeless or lost causes.

We are looking forward to our All-Class Reunion on Saturday, November 6. Please note the full-page announcement of this year's All-Class Reunion elsewhere in *The Theresean*. Besides the presentation of Outstanding Alumni awards, we will recognize classes whose special anniversaries fell in 2020 and 2021. The All-Class Reunion will give us an opportunity to say thanks to you for your support especially during the pandemic, for you to reconnect with classmates and friends, and for us to honor outstanding alumni. If you are an alumnus or alumna, please sign up to come. Also, if your children are alumni, please encourage them to attend.

Have a wonderful week.

fr. Bob



There is still time to register for Confirmation! The Rite of Enrollment will be Sunday, October 24, 2021 during 6 p.m. Mass. If you are interested or have any questions, please reach out to confirmation@littleflowerparish.org for The next meeting is Sunday October

more information. The next meeting is Sunday, October 24, 2021 at 3:30 PM in the Parish Center.



Readings for October 30 and 31 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Deuteronomy 6:2-6 Hebrews 7:23-28 Mark 12:28b-34

To read the readings on-line, go to

https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/103121.cfm



Mass Intentions

For the Week of October 25 - 31, 2021

25	October	Monday			
	5:30 p.m.	For the Intentions of Charlie Goodman			
26	October	Tuesday			
	5:30 p.m.	Paul Commiskey, Jr. by Paul Commiskey			
27	October	Wednesday			
	5:30 p.m.	Norman McCarty by Ann McCarty & Family			
28	October	Thursday			
	5:30 p.m.	Patricia Sullivan			
29	October	Friday			
	9:30 a.m.	James & Dan Freeland by Carol Freeland			
30	October	Saturday -Vigil of The 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time			
	5:00 p.m.	Mary Jo Campbell by Barbara Greeson & Boys			
31	October	Sunday – The 31 st Sunday in Ordinary Time			
	9:30 a.m.	Fr. Kevin Morris by the Downs Family			

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

October 24 - 31, 2021

For the People

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP	
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	
	Parish Center	3:30 p.m.	Confirmation	
	Church	6:00 p.m.	Rite of Enrollment - Confirmation	
Monday	St. Therese	6:30 p.m.	SoulCore	
	Duffey Hall	6:30 p.m.	The Search Continues	
Tuesday	Holy Family	6:00 p.m.	Chess Team Practice	
	Duffey Hall	6:30 p.m.	PPS Meeting	
	5	50 8 00	(Parent-Parish-School)	
	St. Therese	7:00 p.m.	RCIA	
	Church	7:00 p.m.	Choir	
Wednesday	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	Liturgy Committee	
Thursday	St. Therese	1:30 p.m.	Forgiven	
-	St. Patrick	2:15 p.m.	Gabriel Project	
	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	Parish Council	
			Executive Meeting	
	St. Therese	8:00 p.m.	AA	
Saturday	St. Patrick	10:00 a.m.	Gabriel Project	
Sunday	Church	9:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy	
33.20	Duffey Hall	10:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts	
	School	10:30 a.m.	Religious Ed	
	Duffey Hall	3:00 p.m.	Halloween Bash	



6:00 p.m.

We extend our sympathy and condolences to *June Jorgenson* on the death of her sister, **Norma Jean Nally Clark**. Norma graduated from Little Flower School in 1951. Please keep all

of Norma's family and friends in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. May God welcome Norma into his eternal glory.

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	238	
March 2021 - May 2021		
June 2021 - August 2021		
September, 2021		
October, 2021 (so far)		



YOUTH CHOIR will sing for the 6 p.m. Mass on Sunday, October 24 and Sunday, November 7, meeting in church at 5 p.m.

New Members are always

welcome. Questions? Please contact Tom at tom@littleflowerparish.org



Thanksgiving Blessing Bags

As previously announced, the thanksgiving blessing bags are available for pickup in church this weekend, and will be available until all

of the 100 bags have been distributed.

Simply purchase each of the ten items on the list included with the bag and return your filled bag to church on the weekend of November 13/14 or to the parish office no later than Monday, November 15.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Your Gifts of Treasure

Weekly Budget Goal	\$ 13,000.00
Collection of October 16 and 17	\$ 9,499.00
Electronic Contributions 10/11-10/15	\$ 6,568.30
Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Actual	\$ 200,524.52
Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget	\$ 208,000.00
Fiscal Year 2021-2022 DEFICIT	\$ - 7,475.48

Home Improvement Fund

August Contributions	\$ 2,360.32	
September Contributions	\$ 2,011.32	
October Contributions (to date)	\$ 1,569.66	

??? HAVE YOU EVER WONDERED???

What about THE APOCALYPSE??

What about OTHER RELIGIONS??

Come to **The SEARCH CONTINUES** Monday, October 25. 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.

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, 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, Janet Wilkerson, Tom and Diane McAndrews, and Larry Lynch.

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:

Natalie Isom

2520 S Rockport Road Apt 303, Bloomington, IN 47403

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.

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



Our annual Mass of Remembrance will be on Monday, November 1 at 6 p.m. During this special liturgy, we remember by name those members of the Little Flower community who have died in the past year. There will also be an opportunity to remember other loved ones who have died recently. If you would like to have a candle lit in remembrance of someone not buried from here in the past year, please arrive by 5:50 p.m. and write their names on the list that will be available at each door.

Lend a helping hand

Once again the Ladies Club will be assisting the Cathedral Soup Kitchen by filling bags with necessities for an increasing number of those in need. We will be collecting the following items:

- razors
- toothbrushes
- toothpaste
- can openers(smallest available)
- deodorant and bar soap
- bar soap containers
- lip balm
- masks

Baskets will be placed under tables at each door in church or items may be dropped off at the Parish Center through the end of October. We will provide socks, wash cloths, and hard candy. Bags will be filled at our meeting on November 4.



The Parish Life Commission will be hosting our annual Halloween Bash on Sunday, October 31, from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Donations of individually wrapped candy treats are requested. Please leave your donation at the parish center, at school, or in the collection

containers that will be available at the church doors. If you love Halloween and would like to help with our party, we could sure use you! We are in need of people to help run the children's games, pass out candy, help in the kitchen serving food, and with clean up. Please contact Peggy Clegg at 317-357-8352 or pclegg@littleflowerparish.org if you are able to help. In order to help keep everyone safe, face masks will be required except when eating.



The next Baptism Preparation Class is Monday, November 8, 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 to let us know you plan to attend. Plan ahead, as the next class will not take place until February.



Kroger Community Rewards

Our third-quarter earnings from The Kroger Community Rewards Fundraiser is \$792.89, with 231 households participating between 07/01/2021 to 09/30/2021. You could help Little Flower School earn up to \$50,000 every three months! How? By shopping at Kroger and using your registered Kroger Plus Card. To register your Kroger Plus

Card, go to www.kroger.com/communityrewards. You will first sign in to your Kroger account or register for a new account. After you log into your account, please enter our organization number CP031. The more you spend at Kroger, the larger the check Little Flower will receive. Note: It will be necessary for you to re-register for this program every year. Thanks in advance!



SCECINA MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL

Scecina Open House 2021

You can go anywhere from here! Future students and families are invited to experience the academic, extracurricular, and spiritual benefits and opportunities at Scecina Memorial High School by attending Open House! Open House is Thursday, November 4, 2021. We have two sessions: 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. and 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. Each session will include:

- Welcome and Prayer
- Student Life Fair featuring all academic departments, athletic and co-curricular offerings
- Opportunity to go on a tour

We require that all attendees wear a face mask. We will accept up to 56 families per session to ensure social distancing. To allow other future Crusaders the opportunity to attend, we are asking for only three guests per student.

Registration for this event is required. Visit seecina.org/visit for registration information.



We had such a wonderful turn out for our first PPS (Parents-Parish-School) meeting. Our next meeting will be Tuesday, October 26 at 6:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Please join us because we will be talking in our smaller subcommittee groups. This is a wonderful way to get involved within our church and school community. We will have translator available for our Spanish speaking members. We are looking forward to another great meeting.

We would also like to extend a sincere thank you to our Ladies Club. They have offered to donate store bought baked goods for a new monthly birthday celebration that we will be hosting. Without their support this would not be possible. The kindness and love from the Ladies Club is greatly appreciated and felt within the walls of our school.

FORMED

PICK OF THE WEEK

Oct 24, 2021

WATCH WITH GOD IN RUSSIA

Well known for his heroic story of surviving 24 years in Russian prison camps, this film about the great Jesuit Fr. Walter Ciszek traces his incredible endurance and struggle for survival. It highlights his tremendous faith in God, and the remarkable impact his life has had on the resurgence of Catholicism in Russia, as seen with on location footage from around the world.



LEARN THE CONFESSIONS OF ST. AUGUSTINE, SIX-PART SERIES



Dr. Elizabeth Klein and Dr. John Sehorn, professors at the Augustine Institute, walk through the culture shaping, famous work of The Confessions of Saint Augustine. This classic of weatern literature has shaped thought for over 1.500 years and is a spiritual masterpiece reflecting man's relationship with God.

ISTEN

THE INNOCENCE OF FATHER BROWN AUDIO BOOK BY G.K. CHESTERTON

One of the most memorable sleuths in the canon of detective fiction has to be Father Brown, the small priest with "a face as round and dull as a Norfolk dumpling", but who nevertheless outwits the greatest criminal minds with his wisdom regarding human nature. Brought to life here by actor Kevin O'Brien in a series of dramatic readings.



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Little Flower

Halloween Bash!





Games in the gym from 3:00 -4:30pm

Trick-or-Treating in the basement and on the first floor

Costume Parade begins at 4:30 with awards to follow in cafeteria

Hotdogs, drinks, & chips will be served in the cafeteria Sunday, October 31 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. Little Flower School



Sponsored by the Parish Life Commission





Our annual all-class reunion is right around the corner!!

We are inviting all of our alumni to attend. We are also asking that you assist us in encouraging your children, siblings, cousins, friends, and acquaintances who are alumni to attend this special evening.

Details are provided below. Please lend us a hand in spreading the word.

Reservations required by NOVEMBER 1.

All Alumni and their guest are invited to our annual **ALL-CLASS REUNION**

Saturday, November 6, 2021

4:15 pm School Tours - Meet in School Cafeteria (enter Door #6)

5:00 pm Mass at Little Flower Church

6:15 pm Social Hour (cash bar) at the Indianapolis Marriott East

7202 E. 21st Street

7:00 pm Complimentary Dinner and Program at the Marriott

This year we will honor the following outstanding alumni:

James Rose, Class of 1971
David Smock, Class of 1985
Stephanie Wendel-Sponsel, Class of 2002

and

The Little Flower Classes of 1950, 1960, 1970, 1980, 1995, 1951, 1961, 1971, 1981, and 1996

Please R.S.V.P. by November 1, 2021

Call the Little Flower Parish office at 317-357-8352, or send an e-mail to Ifalumni@yahoo.com.

Please send your name, year of graduation, and your guest's name.

Kindly help us spread the word by inviting and encouraging other Little Flower alumni to attend.

You are welcome to attend any part of the evening. To help accommodate guests who would like to be seated together, the dining room will open for seating at 6:35 p.m.

Arrive early for early seating.

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