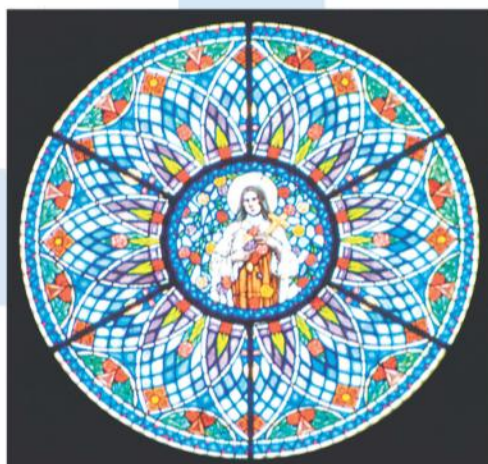


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Little Flower Church Mission Statement

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.

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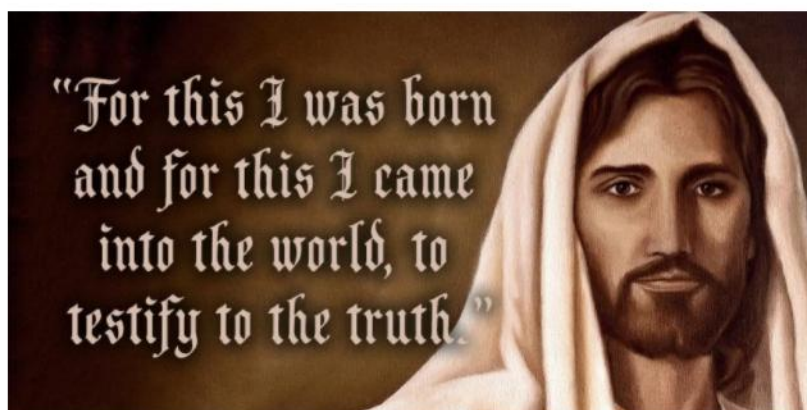
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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

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.



Dear Parish Family,

Today we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King, the last Sunday of the Church year. This feast was instituted by Pope Pius XI at the close of the 1925 Holy Year. He wanted to emphasize the kingship of Christ over all creation. In the Preface of the Mass, we pray, "You anointed Jesus Christ, your only Son, with the oil of gladness, as the eternal priest and universal king."

Today we celebrate the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) and RCIC (Rite of Christian Initiation of Children) Rite of Acceptance & Welcoming at the 9:30 a.m. Mass.

In this rite, our catechumens and candidates are asked to publicly declare their intentions to continue their journey towards becoming Catholic and to more fully embrace the Gospel message with God's help. They are signed with the Cross to show that they belong to Christ. Also, in this rite, the parish community more fully participates in and prays for those in the RCIA process. We encourage all parishioners to reach out to them as fellow members of the household of Christ.

Today we commission all of our lectors, servers, music ministers, ministers of hospitality, and arts and environment ministers at all of our weekend Masses. We very much appreciate the contributions of these ministers who enrich our liturgy on a weekly basis.

This Thursday, November 25, is Thanksgiving Day. **Our Mass this year will be at 9:30 a.m.** Even in these difficult economic times, as a nation, we have much for which to be grateful. Two of the best ways to give thanks for all our blessings are to celebrate Eucharist as a family on Thanksgiving Day and then to spend quality time with our family.

There will be a collection at the Thanksgiving Day Mass to benefit the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Because of the pandemic, our St. Vincent de Paul Society will be stretched thinner than ever with more people in need and possibly fewer donations. Although your generosity was overwhelming with our Thanksgiving Blessing Bags, you are also invited to bring food to donate. It may be placed on the steps around the altar.

You are also invited to bring food for your own dinner. Please do not place this food on the steps. You will be invited to bring it forward to be blessed at the end of Mass.

Because of Thanksgiving, the parish offices will be closed on Thursday and Friday, November 25 and 26.

Next Sunday will be the First Sunday of Advent, the beginning of a new church year. Also, Giving Tree tags will also be available next Sunday. Please note the full announcement about the Giving Tree. The Giving Tree gifts are one way in which we become Christ to others, and they become Christ to us.

Have a wonderful week!

fr. Bob



Mass Schedule

For the Week of November 22 - 28, 2021

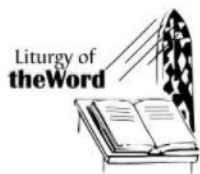
22	November	Monday
	5:30 p.m.	Paul West by Karen Lyons
23	November	Tuesday
	9:30 a.m.	John & Josephine Watson by Jane Gilmore
24	November	Wednesday
	5:30 p.m.	Mary Cervantes by B.J. Schmidt
25	November	Thursday – Happy Thanksgiving
	9:30 a.m.	James Gilday
26	November	Friday
		No Mass
27	November	Saturday – Vigil of The First Sunday of Advent
	5:00 p.m.	Melanie Johnson by Ladies Club
28	November	Sunday – The First Sunday of Advent
	9:30 a.m.	Donald DePaul by Joe & Theresa Bruno
	6:00 p.m.	For the People

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

November 21 - 28, 2021

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP
Sunday	Church	9:30 a.m.	Rite of Acceptance-RCIA
	Church	9:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy
	Duffey Hall	10:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts
	School	10:30 a.m.	Religious Ed
	School	10:30 a.m.	RCIA for Children
Monday	Cafeteria	6:00 p.m.	Journey Into Advent
	St. Therese	6:30 p.m.	SoulCore
Tuesday	Church	7:00 p.m.	Christmas Choir
Wednesday			
Thursday	Happy Thanksgiving		
	Parish Office and School Closed		
	St. Therese	8:00 p.m.	AA
Friday	Parish Office and School Closed		
Saturday			
Sunday	Church	9:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy
	Duffey Hall	10:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts
	Parish Center	3:30 p.m.	Confirmation Prep

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



Readings for November 27 and 28
First Sunday of Advent

Jeremiah 33:14-16

1 Thessalonians 3:12-4:2

Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

To read the readings on-line, go to

<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/112821.cfm>



We extend our sympathy to *Ron Sharp* on the death of his wife, **Diane Sharp** who passed away on November 9 and whose funeral liturgy

was celebrated here on November 13. Diane was 76 years young and involved in many ministries in the parish, including helping with funeral luncheons, being a lector, coordinator of all lectors, a member of the Liturgy Committee, and our parish archivist to name just a few of the many ways she was involved. We extend our sympathy to *Kevin and Trisha Corcoran and their family* on the death of Kevin's dad, **Michael J "Corky" Corcoran**. Please keep these families in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. May God welcome Diane and Corky into his eternal glory.



IT SEEMS EARLY,...BUT ADVENT IS COMING

We are seeking volunteers to assist in the lighting of the Advent Wreath at weekend Masses throughout Advent. As of this writing, we need volunteers for the

following dates/time.

Saturday	November 27	5:00 p.m. Mass
Sunday	November 28	6:00 p.m. Mass
Sunday	December 12	9:30 a.m. Mass
Sunday	December 19	6:00 p.m. Mass

If you are able to help, please send an email to tom@littleflowerparish.org, with your preferred date and time.

Weekend Mass Attendance (weekly averages)

December 2019 - February 2020 (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-October 2021	404
November (so far)	416

**The Parish Office will be closed on
Thursday, November 25, and Friday, November 26,
for the Thanksgiving Holiday.**

*All things are
possible with God*



ATTENTION: IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO ATTEND "Journey into Advent: Faith, Family, and Fun" on Monday, November 22, from 6:00-7:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria. This is an opportunity for families to reflect on the meaning of Advent before it begins on November 28. The evening

will begin with dinner (pizza). Following dinner each family will be given the opportunity to make an Advent Calendar. The evening is free, but reservations are needed so that enough food may be ordered. Please call the parish center at 317-357-8352 X 103 by Monday morning at 10:00 a.m. if you plan on attending.



As the holidays approach, remember the students at Little Flower during your festive preparations. If you have purchased cans - each 12 pack has a code worth 15 cents, each 24 pack code is worth 30 cents! These codes are located inside the box on the perforated opening and are labeled "Official Code" and printed in a dot matrix format. Don't confuse this with the bar code from the outside of the box. Of course, coke caps have a code worth 5 cents each. The jug is located in the gathering area of the church.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Your Gifts of Treasure

Weekly Budget Goal	\$ 13,000.00
Collection of November 13 and 14	Check back next week
Electronic Contributions 11/1 - 11/5	Check back next week
Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Actual	\$ 236,621.62
Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget	\$ 247,000.00
Fiscal Year 2021-2022 DEFICIT	\$ - 10,378.38

Home Improvement Fund

September Contributions	\$ 2,011.32
October Contributions	\$ 2,064.66
November Contributions (to date)	\$ 1,208.50

PLEASE NOTE

Last weekend was Intention Sunday for the Archdiocesan United Catholic Appeal: Christ our Hope. Christ our Hope provides year-long support to Archdiocesan ministries that benefit people in all parishes. You should have received your intention card in the mail, but extras are available at the church doors. If you have not turned your card in or did not fill one out at church last weekend, please do so as soon as possible. You may place them in the regular collection or mail them to the Archdiocese in the envelope provided. Please be as generous as possible.

Please take special care that you don't mistake this for the intention card for parish support. Our parish awareness campaign for stewardship of time, talent, and treasure will take place in the coming months.



LITTLE FLOWER CHRISTMAS CHOIR

CHRISTMAS CHOIR PRACTICE BEGINS THIS WEEK!

Every year, our adult choir welcomes in adults from inside and outside the parish who may not want to commit to the choir on a year-round basis. We also welcome parish children in grades 6 and above who wish to join. As always seems to be the case, we anticipate a greater need for male voices!

The Christmas Choir rehearses at 7 p.m. on the five Tuesdays prior to Christmas, beginning on Tuesday, November 23. The choir will then sing at the 10 p.m. Mass on Christmas Eve and the 9:30 a.m. Masses on Sunday, December 26, and Sunday, January 2.

Members are asked to commit to four of the five practices and are also asked to commit to two of the three Masses at which the Christmas Choir sings unless special circumstances exist and arrangements are made in advance. Special arrangements will be made for returning college students.

Please consider being a part of this special tradition! Questions should be directed to Tom Costello at tcostello@littleflowerparish.org. Please be advised that our current plan is to require the use of face masks at practices and Masses for choir members. This year, if you plan to join, please email Tom as soon as possible. We want to make sure we can accommodate everyone and that we have enough music ready for everyone! It's very important that we know in advance if you plan to come!





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, Charlene Fisher, Janet Wilkerson, Tom McAndrews, Larry Lynch, and Steve Critelli.

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:

Floretta Burton
11050 Presbyterian Dr.
Heatherwood Commons Room 3308
Indianapolis, IN 46236

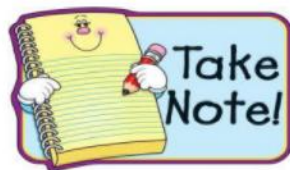
Pray for our active military family/friends:

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.



LECTORS will need their new workbooks for the year beginning with the readings of November 27 and 28. Please pick up your copy in the sacristy.



YOUTH CHOIR will practice on Sunday, November 21, in church from 7:00 p.m. until 8:15 p.m.

We will sing at 6:00 p.m. Mass on Sundays November 28 and December 5, meeting in church at 5:00 p.m.

New Members are always welcome. Questions? Please contact Tom at tom@littleflowerparish.org



Our parish **Christmas Party** will be on **Sunday, December 12, after the 9:30 a.m. Mass**. This is a great opportunity to relax with family and friends and hopefully get everyone into the Christmas spirit! We will be having brunch instead of lunch due to the earlier start time! The menu will include eggs, ham, potatoes, muffins, fruit, sausage gravy and biscuits, milk and orange juice. Santa and Mrs. Claus will be present for those Kodak moments, so please bring a camera if you want a picture. There will be a craft activity for grade school students to make if they wish. There will also be door prizes for both adults and children. Mark your calendar and plan on coming. Don't miss out on all the fun!



The **Adventuresome Group** will meet on **Wednesday, December 8, at 11:30 a.m.** in the Parish Center, to celebrate Christmas (**NOTE: There will be no Mass at 11:00 a.m. due to the Holy Day.**)

The menu will include baked ham, mashed potatoes and gravy, corn casserole, green beans, rolls, desserts, and drinks. This month the Kindergarten classes will be visiting us! Please plan on coming and bring a friend. There will be surprises for everyone. Please contact the parish center at 317-357-8352 x 103 if you plan on attending.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Holiday Bulletin Deadlines

Our bulletin company has been alerted by UPS and FedEx that both companies expect to be pushed to capacity this holiday season, if not beyond. Holiday shipping is expected to put an additional strain on shipping companies that are already struggling to cope with increased demand due to the supply chain issues. Also, to ensure delivery with office closures during the holidays, we will have strict deadlines for bulletin submissions. Please make note of the changes.

Christmas Schedule

- December 19 bulletin submissions are **due by Thursday, December 9, at noon.**
- December 26 bulletin submissions are **due by Tuesday, December 14, at noon.**
- January 2 bulletin submissions are **due by Thursday, December 23, at noon.**



Little Flower Men's Club Car Wash Sales

The Little Flower Men's Club will be selling Crew Car Wash online again this year. We will earn 50% of the sales. **Purchase car washes online from November 1 to November 30.**

See below for the link and instructions

for purchasing Crew Car Wash tickets. Only single e-washes are available for our online sales, and **you must use the Promo Code 60968 when purchasing your tickets.** Your e-washes will be delivered to the email provided at check out. E-washes can be printed, or they can be scanned directly from any Smartphone. Book sales are not included in our package for the fundraiser, so please make sure you select the single E-Wash option.

Here are the instructions to make your purchase.

The e-Wash web store address is:

<https://websiteconnect.drb.com/crewcarwash/E-WashGifts.aspx> or www.crewcarwash.com, click on Shop, then click on Wash Books & Gift Cards in the drop down menu - scroll down to the e-Wash section.

****Select the eWash(es) that you would like to purchase.****

Click on "View Shopping Cart."

The promo code 60968 must be entered before the checkout process for your organization to receive credit. You will find the promo field on the Shopping Cart page right before you check out. The fundraiser will be active for the entire month of November. Thank you for your participation in our annual event.

With Gratitude!

The family of Diane Sharp wishes to thank Father Bob, Tom, and Peggy and all of the staff of Little Flower for their thoughts, prayers, and time. Diane would be most humbled by all the prayers, phone calls, emails, texts, cards, personal visits, and especially Mass attendance. Thanks to the parishioners who worked so hard on the Mercy meal. All I can say is thank you. Isn't Little Flower the best parish family in the world?

Enjoy Fellowship, Entertainment, Door Prizes & Home-cooked Thanksgiving Dinner



Thanksgiving Day, November 25, 2021

Doors open at 11:00 am for Social Hour

Dinner Served Noon to 2:00 pm

Dinners delivered upon request

Our Lady of Lourdes School Cafeteria - 30 S. Downey Avenue

Hosted By: Irvington Churches

No Charge, but "Free Will Offerings" Gratefully Accepted

To attend or request delivery, please contact the Parish Office at Our Lady of Lourdes at 317-356-7291 or parishsecretary@jollindy.org by Tuesday, November 23rd. Please provide name and the number of people attending, or if requesting delivery, please provide name, address, telephone number and number of meals requested.



Advent Preparation Gatherings!!

Thursday, December 2, 2021

"The Woman"

In the Gospels we hear Jesus refer to his mother, Mary, as "Woman." This reference should draw our attention to the woman mentioned in Genesis as well as in the book of Revelation. But who is this "Woman," and why is she so central to the history of salvation?

This powerful film presents the beautiful Catholic teaching about Mary, the Mother of Jesus, and her important role in the Church and in the lives of Christians today. Video and discussion led by Pattiann Gavaghan.

Thursday, December 9, 2021

"The Story of the Nativity: The Truth about Christmas"

The story of the birth of Jesus is often misunderstood. But this fast-paced and thought provoking look at the true story of the Nativity clears away widespread misunderstanding of Jesus' origin. Explore the true story of Mary and Joseph, Jesus' miraculous conception, the birth of John the Baptist, the journey of Mary and Joseph to Bethlehem, the Star of Bethlehem, and the birth of Jesus. Video and discussion led by Dianna Deputy.

All meetings will be held in the St. Therese room of the Parish Center from 1:00 p.m. to 2:15 p.m. We hope to see you there! Pre-registration is not necessary.

Please join us for Mass on Thanksgiving Day at 9:30 am, so that we might together give thanks to God for all the blessings we have been given.

Bring some food that you plan to use as part of your Thanksgiving Meal. Keep your food with you during mass, and you will be asked to bring it forward for a blessing during Mass.

Donations of non-perishable food to replenish their emergency food pantry will also be accepted by the St. Vincent De Paul Society.

The Thanksgiving Day collection will be donated to our St. Vincent de Paul Society to assist in their work during this busy season.

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