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ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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?

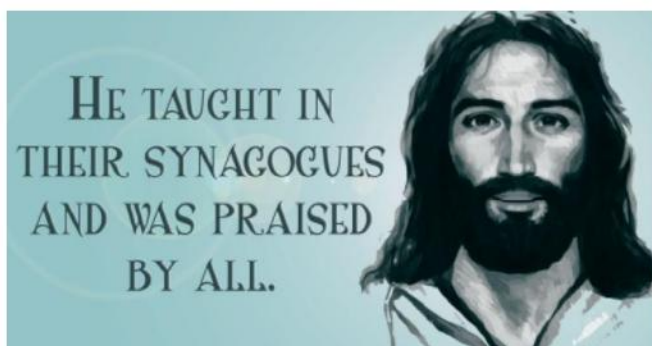
Inquiry Classes begin in late August as part of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). Call Parish Center for information.

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,

Today is the Third Sunday of Ordinary Time. In 2019, Pope Francis designated the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time as the Sunday of the Word of God: “the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time is to be devoted to the celebration, study and dissemination of the word of God.”

On Tuesday, January 25, we celebrate the Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul. This week marks the end of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. Tuesday also marks fourth anniversary of the death of Archbishop Daniel Buechlein, O.S.B.

Friday is the Memorial of St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church. Thomas Aquinas has always been considered the Catholic Church’s greatest theologian and philosopher. He also composed several of the best know Latin hymns: *Adoro te devote, O salutaris, Tantum ergo,* and *Pange lingua*. He is also the patron saint of Catholic schools, colleges, and universities. When I was in college at St. Meinrad, his feast day was always a free day!

As we continue to look for ways to further unite Little Flower Parish and School, I would like to extend a personal invitation to our annual Little Flower Catholic School Open House on Sunday, January 30, from 10:30 a.m. to noon. This event kicks off Catholic Schools Week and welcomes parishioners, neighbors, friends, and families to learn more about the Little Flower way. Guests can tour the school, learn about Choice Scholarships, and even enroll their students. Light refreshments will also be offered in the cafeteria. We hope you will consider joining us.

At every Sunday Mass, besides hosts and wine, the gift bearers bring up a white binder. The white binder, which is on a podium in the gathering area, has pages on which you may write your prayer intentions. We bring the binder forward and place it on the altar as a sign that we as a community are offering these prayer intentions to God.

Have a wonderful week!

fr. Bob



MASS Schedule

For the Week of January 24 -30, 2022

24	January	Monday
	5:30 p.m.	Anne Elliott
25	January	Tuesday
	5:30 p.m.	Diane Sharp by Anita Moody
26	January	Wednesday
	5:30 p.m.	Norbert Arvin by Ann Powers
27	January	Thursday
	5:30 p.m.	Intentions for Steve & Cathy Mallinger by Karol & Tim Newberry
28	January	Friday
	9:30 a.m.	Peggy Albright by Ladies Club
29	January	Saturday – The Vigil of the 4 th Sunday in Ordinary Time
	5:00 p.m.	For the Intentions of Fr. Bob by Your Parish Family
30	January	Sunday – The 4 th Sunday in Ordinary Time
	9:30 a.m.	For the People
	6:00 p.m.	Regina Kanney by the Zimmerman Family

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

January 23 - 30, 2022

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP
Sunday	Church	9:30 a.m.	Children’s Liturgy
	Duffey Hall (School Café)	10:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts
	School	10:30 a.m.	Religious Ed
	School	10:30 a.m.	RCIA for Children
	St. Therese	3:30 p.m.	Confirmation Prep
Monday	Duffey Hall (School Café)	7:00 p.m.	The Reformers
Tuesday	Church	7:00 p.m.	Choir
	St. Therese	7:00 p.m.	RCIA
	Scout Room	6:30 p.m.	Cub Scout Pack #126
Wednesday	Duffey Hall (School Café)	7:00 p.m.	Festival Meeting
	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	Liturgy Committee
Thursday	St. Therese	8:00 p.m.	AA
Friday			
Saturday			
Sunday	Church	9:10 a.m.	Liturgical Choir
	Church	9:30 a.m.	Children’s Liturgy
	School	10:30 a.m.	Little Flower School Open House

Due to the increase in the number of coronavirus cases and an in an effort to keep all of our seniors and students in school healthy, the **Senior Prom scheduled for February 5 has been cancelled**. It may be rescheduled for a later date, depending upon how things go with the virus.



Readings for January 29 and 30

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19

I Corinthians 12:31-13:13

Luke 4:21-30

To read the readings on-line, go to

<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/013022.cfm>

Weekend Mass Attendance (weekly averages)

December 2019 – February 2020 (pre-pandemic)	608
June 2020 - November 2020	219
December 2020 – May 2021	280
June 2021 – November 2021	397
December 2021	413
January 2022 (so far)	399



YOUTH CHOIR will sing on Sundays January 23 and February 6, meeting in church at 5:00 p.m. for 6:00 p.m. Mass.

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



The **Adventuresome Group** will meet on **Wednesday, February 9, following the 11:00 a.m. Mass.** This month two pharmacists from IU Connect Health will be speaking. They will speak about the importance of medication adherence

and answer any questions you might have about medications. Feel free to bring your medications with you. Please call the parish office at 317-357-8352 x 103, if you plan on attending.



LITTLE FLOWER CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Little Flower School Open House

We're kicking off Catholic Schools week with our annual Open House on Sunday, January 30 from 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m. Come by for a tour of the school, to register your student(s) for the 22-23 school year and see what makes Little Flower the right fit for your family. All friends, families, parishioners, and neighbors are welcome!

The next issue of the parish newsletter, "The Little Flower Garden" will be sent via email in mid-February. Any news or photos you have to share about Little Flower parishioners, ministries, or activities should be emailed to lfparishnews@yahoo.com by Friday, January 28. You may also bring items to the parish office or drop in the collection basket.



We extend our condolences to **Bill Ajamie** on the death of his wife, **Karen Ajamie**, who passed away on January 9 and whose

funeral liturgy was celebrated here on January 17. Karen was 71 years young, had a strong faith, and when her children were younger she was a parent volunteer in school. We extend our sympathy to **Tony and Mandie Wade and their family** on the death of Mandie's aunt, **Jill Eastridge**. Please keep Karen's and Jill's family and friends in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. May God welcome Karen and Jill into his eternal glory.



Regular adult choir resumes with practice on Tuesday, February 1 at 7:00 P.M. in church. The adult choir sings at the 9:30 A.M. Mass on most

Sundays, September-May.

Practices are held on most Tuesday evenings from 7:00 P.M. until 8:30 P.M. We could use some new voices in all voice sections. If you have questions, e-mail Tom at tcostello@littleflowerparish.org. (At the current time, choir members are required to wear masks at practices and when singing at Mass.)

Annual financial statements will be prepared and mailed no later than January 25. Statements for Christ our Hope United Catholic Appeal will be mailed by the Archdiocese. Statements for school annual fund will be separate from the statements for the regular parish donations.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Your Gifts of Treasure

Weekly Budget Goal	\$	13,000.00
Collection of January 15 and 16	\$	6,322.00
Electronic Contributions 1/10-1/14	\$	2,682.00
Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Actual	\$	367,437.89
Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget	\$	377,000.00
Fiscal Year 2021-2022 DEFICIT	\$	- 9,562.11

NOTE: An end-of-year gift was inadvertently left out of the collections totals; it has been added this week.

Home Improvement Fund

November Contributions	\$	1,820.00
December Contributions	\$	1,928.00
January Contributions (to date)	\$	1,317.50



FESTIVAL NEWS Summerfest 2022 June 3, 4, and 5

We can't believe it either – it's time to start planning SUMMERFEST 2022!

A kick off meeting will be held on **Wednesday, January 26 in the school cafeteria** for those who are willing to be part of the parish festival leadership team. Call Angie at 317-357-8352 or email amackell@littleflowerparish.org if you'd like to be a new part of the team.

YOUR ACTION REQUIRED!

If you plan to volunteer in any **gaming** capacity at this year's festival, we need your help now! This includes anyone working/selling at Bingo, Monte Carlo, Adult Games, Pull Tabs/Tip Boards, Main Raffle, and/or any special raffles.

In order to comply with State Gaming Commission requirements, we need to provide a complete list of volunteer information. Please send the following information to sclegg@littleflowerparish.org, with a subject line of "Festival Worker Information" **by January 31**:

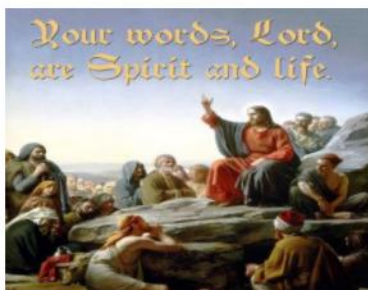
- Legal Name
- Date of Birth
- Driver's License or State ID Number
- Complete Home Address
- Daytime Telephone Number

If you sent us your information previously, and nothing has changed, you don't need to send again.

IF NOT, PLEASE SEND IT RIGHT AWAY SO WE CAN GET THE NECESSARY PAPERWORK FILED. *If you are not sure if you submitted it previously, please send now it so we can make sure you are on the list.* If you do not have email, you may write down the information and leave it at the parish office or place it in the collection. THANK YOU IN ADVANCE!

Knights of Columbus Fatima Council No. 3228

Holy Spirit Church and the Knights of Columbus Fatima Council would like to welcome those with special needs at the 10:15 a.m. Mass on January 30, 2022. After Mass, the Knights of Columbus will be hosting a continental breakfast at Early Hall for our special guests, their families, caregivers, and friends. Please contact Jack Fisher at (317) 895-8876 by January 25, 2022, so that the Fatima Council and Parish Office know who will be attending and what accommodations will be needed for this Faith in Action Program (e.g. hearing aids, a sign language interpreter, transportation to/from Mass, presence of guide dogs, etc.).



Your words, Lord,
are Spirit and life.



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, Tricia Allstatt, Charles Aughe, Jane Bell, Esther Capps, Joe Clegg, Steve Critelli, Dan Dugan, Sherri (Ruegamer) Dugger, Joanna Estes, Forestal Family, Roberta Galluzzi, Charlene Fisher, Carol Freeland, Haydee Gloria, Charlie Goodman, Margie Greene, Lois Irwin, Jerry Kennedy, Fr. Paul Koetter, Bobbie Lawless, Mitzi Loomis, Larry Lynch, Catherine McKenna-Sexton, Cathy Mears, Gene Miller, Bill Rathz, Judy Rathz, Scott Rhinehart, Lourdes Riedeman, Denice Rose, Gary Walters, 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:

Carol Freeland

4923 Nowland Avenue, Indianapolis, IN 46201

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.



The next **Baptism Preparation Class** is **Monday, February 7, 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 April.

*All things are
possible with God*



See Matthew Kelly LIVE in a rare men's conference appearance! His first and only appearance in several years!

This event will sell out...do not wait! Register NOW at <http://www.e6cmc.com>

The E6 Catholic Men's Conference is designed to bring men into a deeper relationship with Christ and His Catholic Church through: a worthy celebration of the sacraments, engaging talks to strengthen their faith, opportunities for true fraternity and exposure to good resources to aid them in living their faith as disciples of Christ. In a world that is losing a truly biblical understanding of masculinity, fatherhood and brotherhood, this conference aims at equipping men to put on the armor of God (Ephesians 6:10-18) and stand as men of Christ.

Seccina's Club 53 is back

Club 53, Seccina Memorial High School's premier event for alumni and friends 21 and older, returns on April 9, 2022! Club 53 will be a special night to come together to celebrate and support the school. Here are some of the features of the 2022 version of Club 53:

Catered meal by Indy Anna's
Reverse raffle with \$10,000 grand prize
Beer and wine
Pixie Gypsy Camper photo booth
Live music by The Doo
Tickets are on sale now.

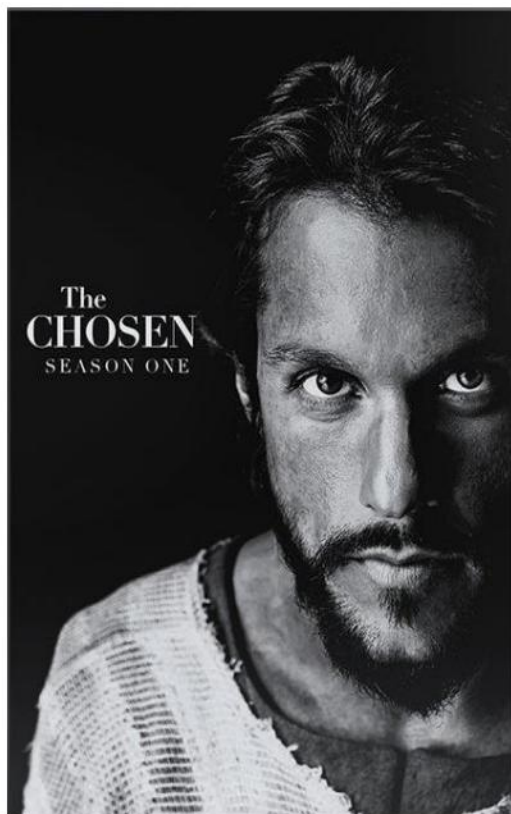
Ladies Club News

Please join us Thursday, February 3 at 6:30 p.m., in the school cafeteria.

We will be joined by Monica Woodsworth
RSVP Director

Catholic Charities Indianapolis
RSVP (Retired and Senior Volunteer Program) is a matching service between volunteers 55 years old and over with community volunteer opportunities. She will talk about not only volunteer opportunities that may interest us but also services available for our community and church family. With the rising numbers of covid, masks are strongly encouraged.

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PEOPLE WON'T
STOP TALKING ABOUT.**



PLEASE NOTE DATE CORRECTION

MEETING ON THURSDAYS

FEBRUARY 3, 10, 17, 24

1:00-2:30 P.M.

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