

ST. THERESE - LITTLE FLOWER

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

4720 E. 13th Street Indianapolis, Indiana 46201

www.littleflowerparish.org



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.

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School Commission	Brian St. Amour
Stewardship Commission	Susan Spilly-Lee
At-Large Member	Karla Absalom
At-Large Member	Patrick Becker
At-Large Member	Kelly Dunn
At-Large Member	Katie Leszcynski
At-Large Member	Michele Rosenbaum

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.

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 marks the beginning of Catholic Schools Week. All are invited to our annual Little Flower Catholic School Open House this Sunday, January 30, from 10:30 a.m. to noon. This is an opportunity for current and prospective students and parents, parishioners, neighbors, and friends 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 join us.

I would encourage all of you to be ambassadors for Little Flower School throughout the year. Please invite friends or neighbors with preschool-age children and/or grade-school-age children who are searching for a school for their children to contact Little Flower School to make an appointment to visit.

Appropriately, Monday is the feast of St. John Bosco, an educator. St. John Bosco is known as the Apostle of Youth. He founded the Salesian Order which is dedicated to educating youth. He was also a pioneer in vocational education. CYO's highest award for youth volunteers is the St. John Bosco medal.

Wednesday we celebrate the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. Traditionally this day is also called Candlemas Day because candles are blessed on this day.

Wednesday is also the World Day for Consecrated Life. Please pray for all those who have made commitments to the consecrated life, especially those from Little Flower,

Fr. Mike Barton
Sr. Teresa Marie Boersig
Fr. Bede Cisco

Sr. Jean Marie Cleveland
Sr. Barbara Hileman

Sr. Mary Schmidlin
Sr. Sharon Lou Sheridan

those who ministered at Little Flower,

Sr. Mary Lynn (Mary Magdalen) Calkins
Sr. Diane (Marie Vincent) Kaimann
Sr. Davida Lund
Sr. Martine Mayborg

Sr. Dolores (Joseph Mary) Meyer
Sr. Rosemary Miller
Sr. Babara Piller
Sr. Marie Camille Schmaltz

and those who attend Little Flower—Sister Mary Catherine Duffy, SP, and Sister Therese Whitsett, SP. Please pray especially for Fr. Mike Barton who continues to minister in Africa.

May they continue to be inspired by Jesus Christ and respond generously to God's gift of their vocation.

Thursday, February 3, is the feast of St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr. Because St. Blaise saved a choking child, he is the patron saint for healing diseases of the throat, and, therefore, the blessing of throats is associated with the feast of St. Blaise. Throats will be individually blessed during Thursday's 5:30 p.m. Mass. The blessing of throats will be incorporated into the final blessing at Mass next Sunday.

Friday, February 5, is the 13th anniversary of the death of Fr. Donald Schmidlin, a son of Little Flower. Sr. Mary Schmidlin, his sister, is retired at Oldenburg.

Have a wonderful week!

fr. Bob



We extend our sympathy and condolences *Mary Lou Hoggatt* and *Pete and Lisa Gibbons* on the death of Mary Lou's niece, and Pete's cousin, **Kimberly Sutton** and to *Peggy Clegg*, *Steve* and *Amy Clegg* and *Paul and Sandy Clegg* on the death of their uncle, **Dan Clegg**. Please keep these families in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. May God welcome Kimberly and Dan into his eternal glory.



On Sunday, February 13, at the 9:30 a.m. Mass, we will celebrate the Rite of Enrollment for our candidates for First Eucharist. At this rite, the children will be called forward by name. Along with their parents, they will renew their baptismal promises and receive a lit candle as a reminder of their baptism. Please keep these children and their families in your thoughts and prayers as they prepare to receive Jesus for the first time this spring.



For the Week of January 31 – February 6, 2022

31	January	Monday	5:30 p.m.	Souls in Purgatory by John T. Kelly
01	February	Tuesday	5:30 p.m.	Bryan Cuppy by Mike Guinan & Jennine
02	February	Wednesday	5:30 p.m.	Betty Pfau by the Ladies Club
03	February	Thursday	5:30 p.m.	Susie Young by Charlie Goodman
04	February	Friday	9:30 a.m.	Fr. Jerry Kirkhoff
05	February	Saturday – The Vigil of the 5 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	5:00 p.m.	Nancy Leszczynski by the Leszczynski Family
06	February	Sunday – The 5 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	9:30 a.m.	Helen Warner Heckman by Elizabeth, Becky, Beth, and Conna
			6:00 p.m.	For the People

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

January 30 – February 6, 2022

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP
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
Monday	St. Therese	6:30 p.m.	SoulCore
	Duffey Hall (School Café)	6:30 p.m.	The Reformers
Tuesday	Church	7:00 p.m.	Choir
	St. Therese	7:00 p.m.	RCIA
Wednesday	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	School Commission
Thursday	St. Therese	1:00 p.m.	The Chosen
	Duffey Hall (School Café)	6:30 p.m.	Ladies Club
	St. Therese	8:00 p.m.	AA
Friday			
Saturday			
Sunday	Church	9:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy
	School	10:30 a.m.	RCIA for Children
	School	10:30 a.m.	Religious Ed
	Duffey Hall (School Café)	10:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts

Due to the increase in the number of coronavirus cases and 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 February 5 and 6
5th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Isaiah 6:1-2a, 3-8
I Corinthians 15:1-11
Luke 5:1-11

To read the readings on-line, go to

<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/020622.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)	388



YOUTH CHOIR will sing on Sunday, 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



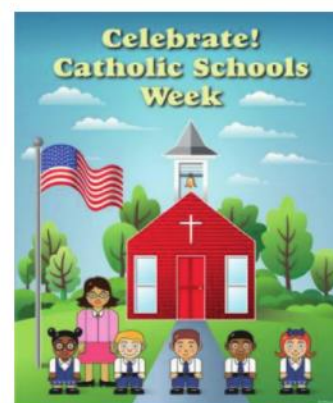
The **Adventuresome Group** will meet on **Wednesday, February 9, following the 11:00 a.m. Mass.** This month two pharmacists from IU Connect Health

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.

**St. Therese
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!





Attention: Boys and Girls in Grades Kindergarten & First
Intramural basketball grades K-1st registration is now open! To register log into www.orgsonline.com. Please use Little Flower's school code 165LF-IN. Registration closes on February

11. The first practice will be on February 11 in the Little Flower School gym. For questions you can contact Lynda Trimble at trimblelyn@aol.com or at 317.518.6374.



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.)

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Your Gifts of Treasure

Weekly Budget Goal	\$	13,000.00
Collection of January 22 and 23	\$	6,936.00
Electronic Contributions 1/17-1/21	\$	8,867.00
Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Actual	\$	383,240.89
Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget	\$	390,000.00
Fiscal Year 2021-2022 DEFICIT	\$	- 6,759.11

Home Improvement Fund

November Contributions	\$	1,820.00
December Contributions	\$	1,928.00
January Contributions (to date)	\$	1,947.00

Annual financial statements have been prepared and mailed. Statements for *Christ our Hope* United Catholic Appeal will be mailed by the Archdiocese. Statements for donations to the School Annual Fund, memorial gifts, and general fund contributions from non-parishioners will be separate from the statements for regular parish donations. Please contact Angie at 317-357-8352 ext. 102 or email amackell@littleflowerparish.org with any questions.

Next weekend is Propagation of the Faith Sunday. By our Baptism we take on the responsibility to be Christ's witnesses and to share our faith with the world that has yet to hear the Good News of God's love. Please use the envelope provided in your regular packet and place in the regular collection.

Retrouvaille

Why are we arguing constantly? Been there, done that, and it's no fun. But Retrouvaille can help. Retrouvaille, (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) can help couples work through difficult struggles in their marriages that seem at times impossible to repair. Since 1977, this program's tools have helped strengthen and improve the marriages of tens of thousands of couples throughout the world. These couples experienced marital difficulty at all levels, including disillusionment and deep misery. Indianapolis Retrouvaille will hold its next weekend, March 4-7, 2022. The weekend introduces couples to important communication tools. You will examine your life together in a new and positive way. After the weekend, you will attend six follow-up sessions. Post-weekend topics focus on specific issues, including conflict management. You can begin again. Learn more and register today at www.helpourmarriage.org, or email retrouindy@gmail.com for confidential registration information. Both of you are worth it.

FESTIVAL NEWS Summerfest 2022 June 3, 4, and 5

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!



Prayer List

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:

Linda Hedges
Chateau of Batesville
44 Chateau Blvd, Batesville, IN 47006

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.



Bummed, depressed and wishing winter would end?? The Little Flower Ladies Club has the remedy! The annual bedding plant sale will occur on Friday, April 29. More

information will be available in the very near future.

Ladies Club News

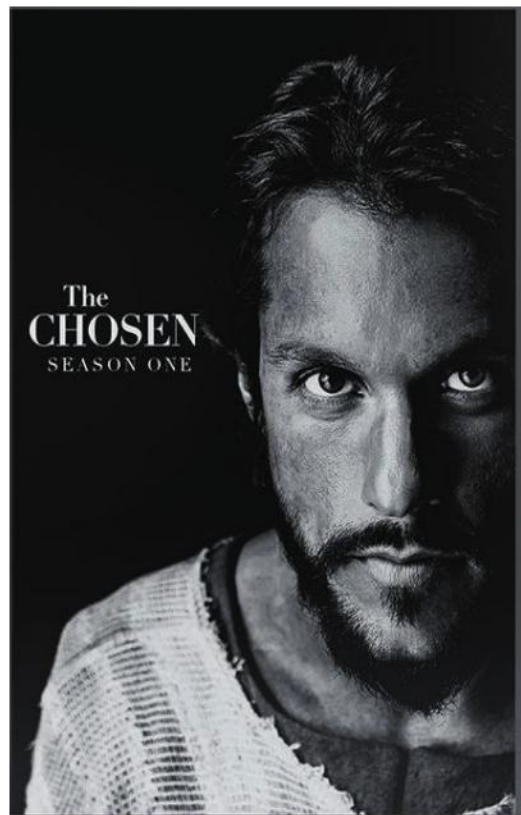
Please join us **Thursday, February 3 at 7:00 p.m.**, in the school cafeteria.

PLEASE NOTE TIME CORRECTION.

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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THE LIFE OF CHRIST
THE SHOW TENS OF MILLIONS OF
PEOPLE WON'T
STOP TALKING ABOUT.**



**MEETING ON THURSDAYS
FEBRUARY 3, 10, 17, 24
1:00-2:30 P.M.
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