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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,

Friday is the 30th World Day of Prayer for the Sick. This year's theme is *"Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful"* (Lk 6:36). In his message for this year's World Day of Prayer for the Sick, Pope Francis wrote that God's mercy "combines strength and tenderness. For this reason, we can say with wonder and gratitude that God's mercy embraces both fatherhood and motherhood (cf. Is 49:15). God cares for us with the strength of a father and the tenderness of a mother; he unceasingly desires to give us new life in the Holy Spirit."

Next Sunday, February 13, at the 9:30 a.m. Mass, we will celebrate the Rite of Enrollment and Illumination with the 2nd graders making their First Eucharist this spring. The children have been learning about how we celebrate as a family and as God's people. This rite reinforces their baptism and reminds them that as Christians we are especially happy because we know that Jesus is present with us when we come together to celebrate. 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 from their parents as a reminder of the light of Christ living within them and their call to be lights to the world. Please pray for these families during this preparation time.

In the Catholic Schools Week Supplement in last week's *Criterion*, two of our Pre-4 students are pictured on page 10B. Ryleigh McGinley and Camila Velazquez are hugging each other in the bottom left picture. When the Pre-4's were asked what they were grateful for at Thanksgiving, Ryleigh said, "Hugs and holding hands." In the center of the top left picture is Adam Young, a Little Flower parishioner and graduate now a junior at Seecina Memorial High School.

Have a wonderful week!

fr. Bob



For the Week of February 7 - 13, 2022

07	February	Monday	5:30 p.m.	Norma O'Gara
08	February	Tuesday	5:30 p.m.	Katie Wood by Ann Collins
09	February	Wednesday	11:00 a.m.	Diane Sharp by Charlie & Pauline Graf
10	February	Thursday	5:30 p.m.	Norman McCarty by Ann McCarty & Family
11	February	Friday	9:30 a.m.	Martha Haddin by Theresa Cartwright & Family
12	February	Saturday – The Vigil of the 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time	5:00 p.m.	Carlos Pedrazza by Deysi, Debbie, & Alvaro Pedrazza
13	February	Sunday – The 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time	9:30 a.m.	For the People
			6:00 p.m.	Thomas E. Feeney II & Chester Dyer by Ann, Tom, & Donna Feeney

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

February 6 - 13, 2022

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP
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
Monday	St. Therese	6:30 p.m.	SoulCore
	Duffey Hall (School Café)	6:30 p.m.	The Reformers
	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	Baptism Class
Tuesday	Scout Room	6:30 p.m.	Pack #126
	St. Therese	7:00 p.m.	RCIA
	Church	7:00 p.m.	Choir
Wednesday	Church/PC	11:00 a.m.	Adventuresome Group
	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	Invite Commission
Thursday	St. Therese	1:00 p.m.	The Chosen
	St. Therese	8:00 p.m.	AA
Friday			
Saturday			
Sunday	Church	9:30 a.m.	Rite of Enrollment & Illumination
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	School	10:30 a.m.	Religious Ed
	School	10:30 a.m.	RCIA for Children
	Duffey Hall (school café)	10:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts



We extend our sympathy and condolences to *Ron and Bridget Hollada* and their family on the death of Bridget's uncle, **Mark Carter**

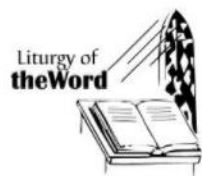
and to *Ryan and Liz Davis and their family* on the death of Ryan's aunt, **Claudia Schneider**. Please keep these families in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. May God welcome Mark and Claudia into his eternal glory.



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

YOUTH CHOIR will practice on Sunday, February 20, from 7:00 p.m. until 8:15 p.m. in church.

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



Readings for February 12 and 13 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jeremiah 17:5-8

I Corinthians 5:12, 16:20

Luke 6:17, 20-26

To read the readings on-line, go to

<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/021322.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	391



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.

Our Lady of Grace Academy All Class Reunion

April 22-23, 2022

Classes from 1960 to 1979 – Celebrating how Grateful and Grace Full we are – looking forward to a reunion that initially was planned for 2020, blessed to have the chance to visit and reconnect. Help us find our classmates! Visit <http://www.olgalumns.com> to register for the weekend and also check the list of lost OLGA alumnae.



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 resumed 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 29 and 30	\$	4,324.00
Electronic Contributions 1/24-1/28	\$	2,602.00
Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Actual	\$	390,166.89
Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget	\$	403,000.00
Fiscal Year 2021-2022 DEFICIT	\$	- 12,833.11

Home Improvement Fund

November Contributions	\$	1,820.00
December Contributions	\$	1,928.00
January Contributions	\$	2,014.00

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

The next leadership team meeting is Wednesday, February 23 at 7:00 p.m.

Calling all volunteers – the Silent Auction needs your help! In a typical Festival year we reach out to 400+ area businesses and ask for donations. Would you be willing to make **just 10 phone calls** to area businesses for the Silent Auction? We have the businesses and their contact information identified, and we have prepared a script for you to use. Many hands make light work! Please contact Andrea Johnson at 317-340-5292 if you can help. Thank you!



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.

A Caring Place, an adult daycare run by Catholic Charities is in need of a part time bus and van driver to transport clients to and from the center. If you are interested please contact Lisa at 317-466-0015.



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, 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:

John and Margaret Hughel
934 N Lesley Ave, Indianapolis, IN 46219

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.

7th Annual
Catholic Men's Conference

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***MEN, ARMOR UP and attend the E6
Catholic Men's Conference!
February 26, 2022 - St Leon, Indiana***

Improve your vocations and become better spouses, parents, children, brothers and neighbors by growing in masculine virtue. Be the leader, protector and provider Christ is calling you to be!

Featuring Matthew Kelly of Dynamic Catholic, Gus Lloyd the Catholic Evangelist who is the host of "Seize the Day" and recently added Fr. Vincent Lampert, the designated exorcist of the Archdiocese of Indianapolis.

OUR MISSION: 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. Held at East-Central High School - just 35 minutes northwest of Cincinnati and 90 minutes southeast of Indianapolis. NOW is the time for men to ARMOR UP!

Reservations still available at E6CMC.com



Shelter in Place: Weekend Retreat

Shared reflections on home, friendship, family, and faith during the Pandemic.

Led by Fr. Jeffrey Godecker

February 18 – 20, 2022

Our Lady of Fatima Retreat House

5353 E. 56th Street, Indianapolis, IN 46226

Program Description: In March of 2020 we were advised to stay at home. Life changed significantly. What did we discover about ourselves, family, home, friendship and our life of faith? During the weekend retreat, we will reflect and pray about all of these as well as the need we have for a sheltering place and security in a time of uncertainty. Who are the sheltering spirits in our lives?

We will also take a look at God and church as shelter and home. We will look for holiness in the everyday of home.

We will use resources such as our own experience, music, poetry, Scripture, prayer and videos. While we will have some time for silent prayer during the weekend, we hope that this shared experience and time together will be beneficial in discovering more deeply what home means to each of us.

Registration: \$200, [register online](#)

Please call Our Lady of Fatima Retreat House at 317-545-7681 with any questions or to register over the phone.



**Coffee & Conversation
Benedict Inn Retreat & Conference Center**

1402 Southern Ave. Beech Grove, IN 46107

How do we find joy in the midst of deadlines, debt, drama, and responsibilities? What do we do when our days are filled with the mundane and frustration of daily living?

In this five – week Lenten program series of discussion and sharing, we will learn to embrace the everyday blessings that immerse us in Christ's fullness with grateful hearts. Join us for a morning of reflection and discussion as we embrace the life-changing discipline of journaling God's gifts. Take time to quietly look at life and discover gratitude – even in those challenging times when grace seems hard to find. This program is based upon Ann Voskamp's book, *One Thousand Gifts*. Journals are provided. Discussion topics for Coffee & Conversation are:

- March 8 – Attitude of Gratitude
- March 15 – Grace in the Moment
- March 22 – All is Grace
- March 29 – Trust: The Bridge to Joy
- April 5 – Empty to Full

**Tuesdays, March 8, 15, 22, 29, April 5
10:00 – 11:30 a.m.**

Cost: \$100 for series of 5 or \$25/session

Facilitated by Patty Moore. To register, call 317-788-7581, or visit www.benedictinn.org.

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