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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.

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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?

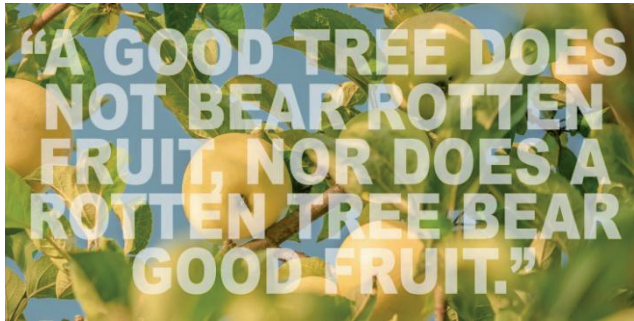
Inquiry Classes begin in late August as part of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). Call Parish Center for information.

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,

Thanks to Amy and Drew Torzewski who shared their stewardship witness talk with us last weekend. I was not aware of all they do as a family! Little Flower parish is part of the very fabric of their lives, and they are part of the fabric of Little Flower parish.

I also want to thank the combined efforts of the Stewardship Commission and PPS for their collaboration in putting together the Ministry Fair and Pancake Breakfast and the representatives from the various ministries who were present at the fair. Special thanks to Cassie Echegaray of the Stewardship Commission for designing

the online Stewardship Intention Card and putting together the ministry video.

Finally, thanks to all who attended and signed up for ministries. It was really a success due to those who attended the fair. Several ministry chairs were pleasantly surprised by the energy in the room and the number of people who expressed interest in various ministries.

This Wednesday is Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent.

On Ash Wednesday, we will celebrate Mass and distribute ashes at 9:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Also, every Friday evening during Lent, there will be Stations of the Cross and Holy Communion at 5:30 p.m.

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence. The other Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence. The law of abstinence requires Catholics 14 years of age and older to abstain from eating meat. The law of fasting requires Catholics from the age of eighteen until their fifty-ninth birthday to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. The Church defines fasting as one main meal a day and two smaller meals which if added together would not be larger than the main meal.

Besides ashes on Ash Wednesday, **a small remembrance will be available to everyone who comes to Mass on the First Sunday of Lent, March 5-6.** Please be here to receive this remembrance which will serve as a challenge to us this Lent.

In the Gospels, Jesus calls us to prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. As Lent begins, I want to strongly encourage all of us to commit ourselves to weekly attendance at Sunday Eucharist. Sunday Eucharist defines us as Catholics. I would also invite everyone to attend *The Presence* to deepen our appreciation of the Eucharist.

Dynamic Catholic is offering **Best Lent Ever 2.0**. According to Dynamic Catholic, “This year...for the first time ever...we’re offering you TWO options for BEST LENT EVER. Every day, you will receive two short, practical and inspiring videos in your inbox, each representing a pathway leading toward a better version of you and a closer relationship with God.... And in order to offer a truly transformative experience, we developed two pathways designed specifically to meet you where you are, no matter where you are in your spiritual journey.” You can sign up at <https://www.dynamiccatholic.com/lent>.

Please mark your calendars. **Our Lenten Penance Service will be Wednesday, March 16, at 7:00 p.m. here at Little Flower.** Also, confessions are scheduled from 3:45 to 4:30 p.m. each Saturday except Holy Saturday. Likewise, you are invited to call to make an appointment for Confession.

One of our Lenten highlights is our weekly Fish Fry each Friday during Lent except Good Friday. Serving begins at 4:30 p.m. and continues until 7:00 p.m. Once again this year the Little Flower Men’s Club is managing the Fish Fry. **Many COVID restrictions that were put in place last year will be lifted, and indoor dining will be at full capacity. Due to its popularity, the drive-through carryout service will remain in place. Please show your support by attending and inviting family, friends, and neighbors to attend.** The Fish Fry is a wonderful opportunity for parishioners, family, friends, and neighbors to socialize.

Each year the Fish Fry earns the parish approximately \$5,000 to \$7,000. This money is included as ordinary income in our annual budget. **In the final analysis, the success of the fish fry will depend on the number of dinners purchased.** The more people who attend each week, the more successful the fish fry will be. I am profoundly grateful to the Men’s Club for continuing to accept responsibility for the Fish Fry and to all who will help with the Fish Fry this year.

Have a wonderful week.

fr. Bob



For the Week of February 28 – March 6, 2022

28	February	Monday	5:30 p.m.	The Holy Souls in Purgatory
01	March	Tuesday	5:30 p.m.	Ernestina Maio by Steve & Antoinette Burford
02	March	Wednesday – Ash Wednesday	9:30 a.m.	Wilma Peacock by Ladies Club
			6:00 p.m.	Katie Wood by Ann Collins
03	March	Thursday	5:30 p.m.	Susie Young by Charlie Goodman
04	March	Friday	9:30 a.m.	Mary B. Moriarty Adams by Eileen McFadden
			5:30 p.m.	Way of the Cross and Communion Service
05	March	Saturday – The Vigil of the 1st Sunday of Lent		
			5:00 p.m.	Socorro Quiroz by Jesse & Consuelo Quiroz
06	March	Sunday – The First Sunday of Lent	9:30 a.m.	Diane Sharp by the LF Liturgy Commission
			6:00 p.m.	For the People

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

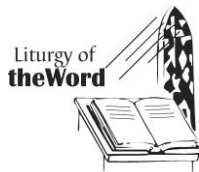
February 28 – March 6, 2022

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP
Sunday	Church	9:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy
	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
	St. Therese	3:30 p.m.	Confirmation Prep
Monday	St. Therese	6:30 p.m.	SoulCore
Tuesday	St. Therese	7:00 p.m.	RCIA
	Church	7:00 p.m.	Choir
Wednesday	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	School Commission
Thursday	Duffey Hall (school café)	7:00 p.m.	Ladies Club Meeting
	St. Therese	8:00 p.m.	AA
Friday	Duffey Hall (school café)	4:30 p.m.	Fish Fry
	Gym	5:30 p.m.	Intramural Basketball
Saturday			
Sunday	Church	9:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy
	Church	9:30 a.m.	RCIA Rite of Sending
	School	10:30 a.m.	Religious Ed
	School	10:30 a.m.	RCIA for Children
	SS. Peter & Paul Cathedral	2:00 p.m.	RCIA Rite of Election
	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	Invite Commission



We extend our condolences to *Joe and Theresa Bruno* and their family on the death of Joe's aunt, **Mary Mandock**, who passed away on Feb

8. Please keep all of Mary's family and friends in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. May God grant Mary eternal life.



Readings for March 2

Ash Wednesday

Joel 2:12-18

2 Corinthians 5:20 - 6:2

Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18

To read the readings on-line, go to

<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/030222.cfm>

Readings for March 5 and 6

1st Sunday of Lent

Deuteronomy 26:4-10

Romans 10:8-13

Luke 4:1-13

To read the readings on-line, go to

<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/030622.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 - January 2022	410
February 2022 (so far)	430

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Your Gifts of Treasure

Weekly Budget Goal	\$	13,000.00
Collection of February 19 and 20	\$	4,612.05
Electronic Contributions 2/14-2/18	\$	8,877.00
Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Actual	\$	434,553.67
Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget	\$	442,000.00
Fiscal Year 2021-2022 DEFICIT	\$	- 7,446.33

Home Improvement Fund

December Contributions	\$	1,928.00
January Contributions	\$	2,014.00
February Contributions (to date)	\$	1,748.00

If you did not complete your online stewardship intention card or return your paper version yet, please do so as soon as possible. Online forms are on our website, or paper copies are available at the church doors.

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~Your Study for Lent!~

Learn about God's real presence with His people through the Miracle of the Eucharist. The four session Study will be offered on:

Thursday afternoons at 1:00 pm in the St. Therese Room starting March 10th, and also offered

Monday evenings at 6:30 p.m. starting March 7th in the LF School Cafeteria - where you can Socially Distance.

Sign up for either group at the back of Church

FESTIVAL NEWS

Summerfest 2022
June 3, 4, and 5

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!



Ladies Club Meeting & Guest Speaker
Please join us on Thursday, March 3, at 7 p.m. in the cafeteria for our meeting. Our speaker will be parishioner Marlaina Pertile who will talk about the benefits of massage therapy and offer 5 minute neck and shoulder massages to all who are interested.



Ladies Club Annual Bedding Plant Sale

Order forms are at all church entrances for the Ladies Club annual bedding plant sale, or you may go to the Little Flower website at www.littleflowerparish.org. Please include payment with your orders. Deadline is Monday, March 28, 2022, and pick-up will be on Friday, April 29, from 3 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. in front of Church. Please call Anita Moody with any questions at 317-918-0997.



Just Desserts Ladies!

The Ladies Club provides the desserts each week for the Fish Fry, beginning this Friday, March 4! All Ladies of the Parish are members of the Ladies Club, so bring your sweets to the school cafeteria after 3:00 p.m. on Friday. Thanks in advance and for all of your help in years past!



YOUTH CHOIR will sing on Sundays February 27 and March 6, meeting at 5 p.m. for 6 p.m. Mass

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



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, 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:

Gary Walters

6137 E Southern Ave., Indianapolis, IN 46203

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.

Next weekend, March 5 and 6, there will be a special collection for the Black and Indian Mission. This collection exists to help diocesan communities to build up the Church and preach the Gospel of Jesus among the African American, Native American, and Alaska Native people of God. Please use your envelope provided in the regular packet and place it in the regular collection next weekend. Please be as generous as possible.

Project Hope

Project Hope seeks to provide a safe and confidential environment for those who struggle with mental health

conditions to encounter Jesus Christ through community, support, and scripture. We will have the opportunity to share our own experiences and process our challenges through the lens of Scripture and Catholic teaching. A group will consist of 8-10 adults including a facilitator who is a licensed Mental Health Professional. Project Hope will meet weekly for six weeks, and each meeting will include: A time for checking in and sharing, prayer, reflecting on Scripture, and Fellowship.

- **When:** Tuesdays for 6 weeks March 15 - April 19
- **Time:** 6:30-8:00 p.m.
- **Where:** St. Jude Catholic Church - Room Location to be given upon registration

To sign up register at this

link <https://forms.office.com/r/xVPzNT4SfX>

For more information contact: Brie Anne

Varick bvarick@archindy.org or 317-236-1543 or website

www.archindy.org/humanlifeanddignity/mental-hope.html

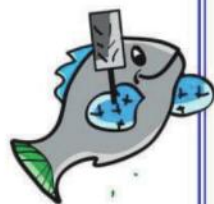
**Fridays During
Lent**

**Mar 4 thru Apr 8
4:30pm—7:00pm**

FISH FRY

**sponsored by
Little Flower Men's Club**

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Church
1401 N Bosart**



ADULT MEAL \$9.00 (age 10 & up) or SENIOR MEAL \$8.00

- Choice of main dish
- Dinner roll
- Drink (dine-in)
- 2 sides
- Dessert

KIDS MEAL \$6.00—Age 9 and under

- Choice of main dish
- Dinner roll
- Drink (dine-in)
- 1 side
- Dessert



DRIVE-THRU CARRYOUT AVAILABLE!

MENU

Main Dishes:

- Fried Fish, Baked Fish (Lemon pepper or blackened), Fish Nuggets, Fried Shrimp, Cheese Pizza, Potato Soup, or Clam Chowder

Sides:

- Cole Slaw, Salad, Applesauce, Green Beans, Mac & Cheese, Au Gratin Potatoes, French Fries, Nachos

Desserts: Options vary week to week

Drinks: Lemonade, Iced Tea, Coffee, Water

A LA CARTE

<u>Without Dinner</u>		<u>With Dinner</u>	
Fish	\$4.00	Fish	\$2.00
Nuggets	\$4.00	Nuggets	\$2.00
Shrimp	\$4.00	Shrimp	\$2.00
Pizza	\$4.00	Pizza	\$3.00
Soup	\$4.00	Soup	\$3.00
Sides	\$2.00	Sides	\$1.50
Dessert	\$1.00	Dessert	\$1.00
Soda	\$1.00	Soda	\$1.00
Bottled Water	\$1.00	Bottled Water	\$1.00



To further enhance your Lenten experience, join us for Stations of the Cross and Communion Service each Friday at 5:30 p.m. in the church.

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