

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

For three years now
I have come in search
of fruit on this fig tree
but have found none.

Lk 13:7

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
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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.

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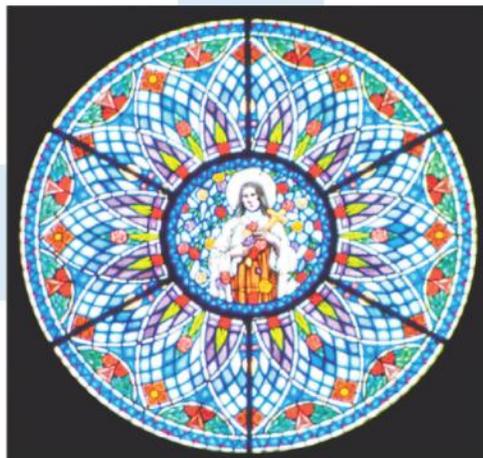
Inquiry Classes begin in late August as part of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). Call Parish Center for information.

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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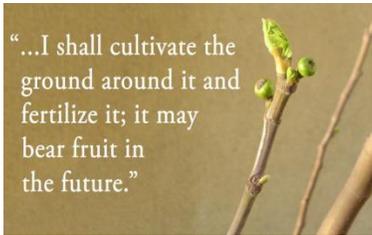
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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

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.



“...I shall cultivate the ground around it and fertilize it; it may bear fruit in the future.”

Dear Parish Family,

This weekend at the Saturday 5:00 p.m. Mass we celebrate the First Scrutiny with our Elect, our former Catechumens, and our Confirmandi. At the First Scrutiny, the former catechumens are anointed with the Oil of Catechumens, and all the Elect are presented with the Ten Commandments.

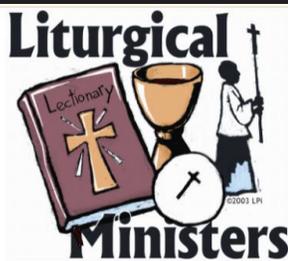
Next week’s Scrutiny will take place at the 9:30 a.m. Mass, and the following weekend’s Scrutiny will take place at the Sunday 6:00 p.m. Mass. The purpose of each of the scrutinies is “to uncover, then heal all that is weak, defective, or sinful in the hearts of the elect” and “to bring out, then strengthen all that is upright, strong, and good” (RCIA, 141).

The following members of our 2022 First Communion class received First Reconciliation last Wednesday:

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| Sophia Chicas | Lorena Hernandez | Phoebe Reed |
| Allesia Clegg | Harrison Houppert | Noah Richardson |
| Carolyn Costello | Grace Lamb | Manuel Sales-Resendiz |
| Lindsey Contreras | Joseph Lyons | Robert Scurlock |
| Lillian Couperus | Luke Mason | Caleb Wise |
| Hazel Davis | River Mundell | Juan Pena Gonzalez |
| Juan Gonzales | AvaMariee Munguia | |

Have a wonderful week.

fr. Bob



Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, and Servers
 The next schedule for the months of April-May-June will be out soon. Please submit your days off. **The cut-off date is Monday, March 21.**

- Eucharistic Ministers send your emails to duvkote@aol.com, 317-531-6877 (cell), or phone and leave a message 317-356-3488.
- Lectors send your emails to Katie Leszcynski at kleszcynski@gmail.com.
- Servers send your emails to Lisa Gibbons at lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org. Thank you.

††† Masses For The Week

For the Week of March 21 – 27, 2022

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| 21 | March | Monday |
| | 5:30 p.m. | Paul Tuttle by Family and Friends |
| 22 | March | Tuesday |
| | 5:30 p.m. | William Perry by Fatima Silvertones of Our Lady of Fatima Knights of Columbus |
| 23 | March | Wednesday |
| | 5:30 p.m. | For the Intentions of Danielle DeSanti by Mike and Linda Jerrell |
| 24 | March | Thursday |
| | 5:30 p.m. | Norma Jean Clark by June Ann Jorgenson |
| 25 | March | Friday |
| | 9:30 a.m. | The Holy Souls in Purgatory |
| | 5:30 p.m. | Way of the Cross and Communion Service |
| 26 | March | Saturday – The Vigil of the 4th Sunday of Lent |
| | 5:00 p.m. | Cletus Wesseler by Pauline and Charlie Graf |
| 27 | March | Sunday – The Fourth Sunday of Lent |
| | 9:30 a.m. | For the People |
| | 6:00 p.m. | Martha Haddin by Barbara and Steve Greeson |

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

March 20 - 27, 2022

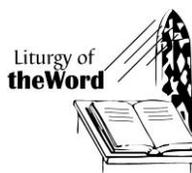
DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP
Sunday	Church	9:30 a.m.	Children’s Liturgy
	Duffey Hall (school café)	10:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts
	School	10:30 a.m.	Religious Ed
	School	10:30 a.m.	RCIA for Children
Monday	St. Therese	6:30 p.m.	SoulCore
	Duffey Hall (school café)	7:00 p.m.	Men’s Club
Tuesday	Offsite	6:30 p.m.	Cub Scout Pack #126 (Ellenberger Park)
	St. Therese	7:00 p.m.	RCIA
	Church	7:00 p.m.	Choir
Wednesday	Duffey Hall (school café)	7:00 p.m.	Festival Meeting
	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	Liturgical Commission-Ministry Chairs
Thursday	St. Therese	1:00 p.m.	The Presence
	Duffey Hall (school café)	6:30 p.m.	PPS Meeting (Parish, Parents, School)
	St. Therese	8:00 p.m.	AA
Friday	Duffey Hall (school café)	4:30 p.m.	Fish Fry
Saturday	St. Therese	9:00 a.m.	LFNA Board Meeting
Sunday	Church	9:30 a.m.	Children’s Liturgy
	Church	9:30 a.m.	2 nd Scrutiny - RCIA
	Duffey Hall (school café)	10:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts

Third Sunday Of LENT



Please welcome into our Christian community the following children:

- Lillian Jean, daughter of Christopher and Amber (Spencer) Couperus, who was baptized on Sunday, February 27, 2022.
- Nadia Regina, daughter of Brenda Samm, who was baptized on Sunday, March 6, 2022.



**Readings for March 26 and 27
4th Sunday of Lent**

Joshue 5:9a, 10-12
2 Corinthians 5:17-21
Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

To read the readings on-line, go to

<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/032722.cfm>

FESTIVAL NEWS

Summerfest 2022 June 3, 4, and 5

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

The **Silent Auction** team needs your help! Contact Elizabeth Mann (463-206-5196 or edeputy1@yahoo.com), or Andrea Johnson (317-340-5292) if you can donate!

- **Are you an artisan or just plain crafty?** Consider donating a unique, one of a kind, or handmade item. It can be a very special way to share your talent with our parish and help us reach our fundraising goal at the same time.
- **Can you or your employer offer new goods or services valued in excess of \$25?** Consider donating them!
- **Are you a Colts or Pacers season ticket holder?** Consider donating a pair (or more) of your tickets for just one game next year.
- **Do you have a timeshare or vacation property?** Consider donating a week this year.

Used Book Sale – Donate your used books to the festival! You may bring your donations to the Parish Center during regular office hours (9 a.m. to 3 p.m. M-F).

SPONSORSHIPS ARE CRITICAL TO THE SUCCESS OF THE FESTIVAL, AND WE NEED YOUR HELP! Businesses will benefit by special signage and announcements throughout the festival acknowledging their sponsorship. Business sponsorships start at \$250.00 and higher levels are also available with more benefits. If you know of someone who might be interested in this opportunity, ask them to call Angie at the parish center. If you prefer, you can leave their name and address for Angie and she will mail information to them. **Our best chance of getting new sponsors will be you asking them to help!**



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

YOUTH CHOIR will sing at 6:00 p.m. Mass on Sundays March 27 and April 3, meeting in church at 5:00 p.m.

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

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 - February 2022	419
March 2022 (so far)	505

**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.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Your Gifts of Treasure

Weekly Budget Goal	\$	13,000.00
Collection of March 12 and 13	\$	6,637.16
Electronic Contributions 3/7-3/11	\$	2,889.00
Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Actual	\$	477,770.01
Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget	\$	481,000.00
Fiscal Year 2021-2022 YTD DEFICIT	\$	- 3,229.99

Home Improvement Fund

January Contributions	\$	2,014.00
February Contributions	\$	1,905.00
March Contributions (to date)	\$	1,417.50

United Catholic Appeal
(gifts processed as of 3/9)

Parish Goal	\$	55,359.00
# of gifts received or pledged		113
Amount of gifts received or pledged	\$	28,546.00

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.



The Parish Life Commission will once again host a **Soup Supper on Holy Thursday, April 14, between 5:30-6:30 p.m.** The menu will include vegetable soup, salad, bread, desserts, and drinks. There will be hot dogs for the kids! This is a great opportunity to break bread with your parish

family before attending Mass at 7:00 p.m. Mark your calendar and plan on attending.

The **Adventuresome Group** will meet on **Wednesday, April 13, following the 11:00 a.m. Mass.** Mark your calendar and plan on joining us for lunch and some Easter activities with our 2nd graders from school. Please call the parish office, 317-357-8352, if you plan to attend or email Peggy Clegg at pclegg@littleflowerparish.org. Hope to see you there!

Next weekend, March 26 and 27, there will be a special collection for Catholic Relief Services. This collection supports Catholic Church organizations that carry out international relief and solidarity efforts. Programs include relief and resettlement for victim of persecution, war and natural disasters; development projects to improve living conditions for the poor, legal and support services for the poor immigrants; peace and reconciliation work for people suffering from violence and advocacy on behalf of the powerless. Please use the envelope provided in your regular packet and place in the regular collection.



Come One! Come All!

Please join us on Fridays during Lent through April 8 for a wonderful Lenten meal!

Serving takes place from 4:30 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

Drive-thru carryout service is available!

Invite your family and friends to help make our Fish Fry a success!



Just Desserts Ladies!

The Ladies Club provides the desserts each week for the Fish Fry! 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!

Eucharistic



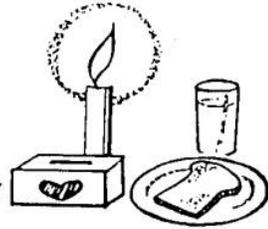
Adoration

Reopening of the Adoration Chapel!

The chapel was such a blessing to all those involved. Please, prayerfully consider spending time in the chapel. If interested, contact Bobbie Lawless at 317-727-2395 or Dianna Deputy at

765-479-5153.

**PRAY
FAST
SHARE**



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:

Agnes Nedeff

729 E 57th Street, Indianapolis, IN 46220

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.

PPS-Parish, Parent, and School

Meetings take place at 6:30 p.m. in Duffey Hall on March 24, April 28, and May 19. Come to a meeting to learn more information about being involved and working together.

A Caring Place Adult Day Services, a program of Catholic Charities Indianapolis, supports caregivers and their loved ones by providing a safe, dynamic, daytime environment for adults. A Caring Place currently has openings in its program for adults, 50 and older, with physical and cognitive challenges. Professional, attentive staff includes a Registered Nurse. Lunch and snacks provided; transportation available. Please call 317-466-0015 or go to www.helpcreatehope.org for more information.

Scecina welcomes children in grades 1-8 for summer camps. Sports camps by Scecina coaches: archery, boys basketball, girls basketball, cheerleading, football, track and field and cross country, soccer, co-ed volleyball, and wrestling. Enrichment camps: STEM, Robotics, Art, Face Painting workshops, and Video Journalism. Register at scecina.org/camps.

2022 Cincinnati Men's Conference

Actor Jim Caviezel (Mel Gibson's The Passion of the Christ), Raymond Arroyo (EWTN/ FOX News) and David Bereit (Founder and Former CEO of 40 Days for Life) are coming to Cincinnati on April 2 to speak at the 2022 Cincinnati Men's Conference at Fifth Third Arena. The Theme of the 2022 Cincinnati Men's Conference is "Evil Prevails When Good Men Do Nothing". Join us for an incredible experience. Learn. Grow in your Faith. Build Fellowship. Go to www.CincinnatiMensConference.com to learn more and to purchase tickets.

2022 Race for Vocations
Friday, May 6 | Mass for Vocations & Pasta Dinner 6:30pm @ SS. Peter & Paul Cathedral - Indianapolis
 The Mass will be at 6:30 p.m. at SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral in Indianapolis (1347 N Meridian St, Indianapolis, IN 46202). All are welcome! You do not have to be running or walking in the race to attend. The Pasta Dinner will follow the Mass and be hosted by the Knights of Columbus at McGowan Hall (1305 N Delaware St, Indianapolis, IN 46202).

Saturday, May 7 | Race for Vocations Mini Marathon & 5k + Post Race Party
 After the race is finished, join us in Military Park for the Post Race Party for some food, drinks and fellowship with the Race for Vocations Team!

For more information and to register please go to raceforvocations.org.

To Purchase Tickets Please Visit:
CincinnatiMensConference.com

CINCINNATI MEN'S CONFERENCE

100% of proceeds cover the costs and labor for the event. Any excess proceeds will be applied toward funding Christian speakers.



Some kind soul placed five Coca Cola bar codes in the Coke donation container Sunday. Bar codes are the same for every box and are not the codes Coke wants for their Give Program. This would have been a potential \$1.50 for Little Flower School. The codes are located on the inside of the perforated tear off section of the box. They will be in a black box labelled "Official Code".

Far more caps are turned in than box codes. Coca Cola (Minute Maid too!) can drinkers can step up and bring in those codes! So if you're thirsty, open the box with the tear off the perforated section and bring it in for Little Flower School!

More information about this program can be located at:
<https://us.coca-cola.com/give>

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