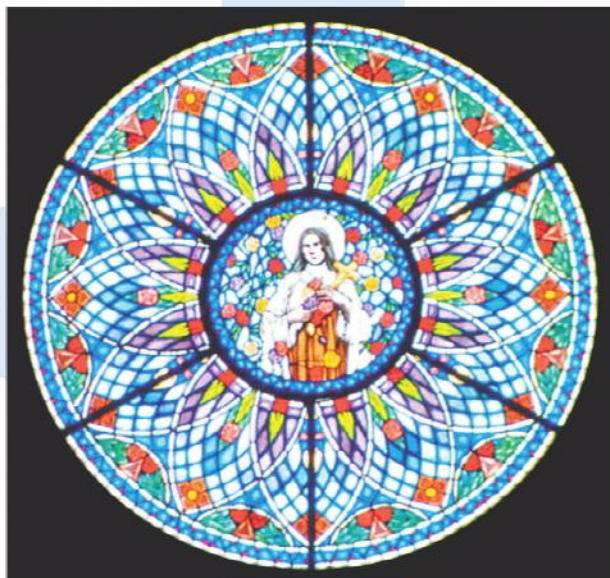


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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

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.

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Counseling services are available to Little Flower parishioners at a reduced rate. Please call Maureen Sweeney at (317) 617-2522.

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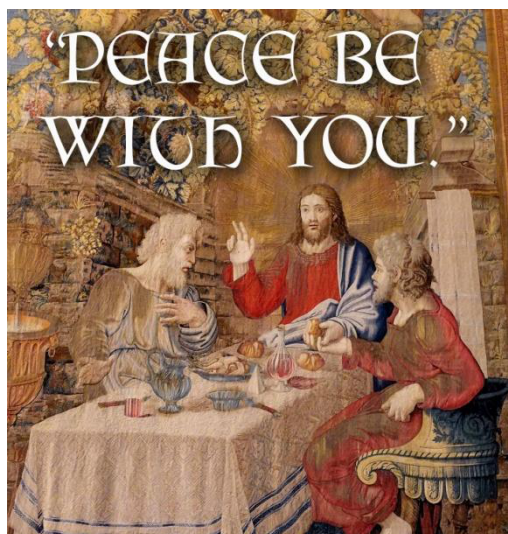
Inquiry Classes begin in late August as part of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). Call Parish Center for information.

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.



Dear Parish Family,

The Second Sunday of Easter is also called the Sunday of Divine Mercy. Both in the pre-Vatican II Liturgy and today's Liturgy, the Gospel for this Sunday is the Gospel of the institution of the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

We want to welcome our First Communicants and their families and friends to our 11:30 a.m. First Communion Liturgy.

Congratulations to our 21 First Communicants!

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

All are second graders except 6th grader Juan Pena Gonzales and 3rd grader AvaMariee Munguia.

Special thanks to the First Communion coordinator Lisa Gibbons and catechists Lucy Bultman, Denni Riley, and Joanne Mages. Thanks to Peggy Clegg and the Parish Life Commission for providing the dinner for the First Communicants Thursday evening before their practice.

It seemed to me that our Holy Week and Easter Liturgies could not have been more beautiful. Thank you to everyone who attended our Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter Vigil Liturgies. On Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday, 839 people attended Mass at Little Flower. There were over 400 at the 10:30 a.m. Mass! Your presence and participation made them so life giving.

Special thanks to all who worked so hard to make our Holy Week and Easter liturgies so beautiful. Tom Costello and all the music ministers, both vocalists and instrumentalists, were outstanding. Most of our music ministers were here Tuesday evening of Holy Week for practice, Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday, and two Easter Masses. Thanks to Holly Hodges, the members of the Art and Environment Committee, and other volunteers who helped decorate the church. Thanks to all the liturgical ministers, including lectors, Eucharistic ministers, servers, and hospitality ministers.

An extra special thanks to David Leszczynski who decorated the Paschal Candle, to Dick Kramer who created and set up the Empty Tomb, and to Joyce Wyne for sewing the beautiful baptismal garments for our adults who were baptized at the Easter Vigil.

Special thanks to the Parish Life Commission who hosted the Soup and Bread dinner before the Holy Thursday Liturgy and to all those who helped set up and/or helped clean up.

Also, special thanks to Ms. Lauren Hanzel, Mrs. Kelli Tromiczak, and the Little Flower 8th Grade Class who presented Living Stations on Good Friday at 9:30 a.m. for the school and at 1:00 p.m. for the parish. Also, thanks to Tom Costello for playing the Stations. This Wednesday is the 28th anniversary of the death of Msgr. Raymond Bosler, the fourth pastor of Little Flower. It was Msgr. Bosler who encouraged me to ask to study in Rome.

After the 10:30 a.m. Mass last Sunday, PJ Kervan fainted in the parking lot and hit his head on the ground. Fortunately, he did not suffer a concussion or any broken bones. His wife, Cathy Kervan, asked me to thank all of those who were so kind to help. Cathy is my first cousin, once removed.

Have a wonderful week.

fr. Bob

Masses For The Week

For the Week of April 25 – May 1, 2022

25	April	Monday
	5:30 p.m.	Betty Heidelberger by the Ladies Club
26	April	Tuesday
		No Mass
27	April	Wednesday
	5:30 p.m.	Jerry Kennedy
28	April	Thursday
		No Mass
29	April	Friday
	9:30 a.m.	Marilyn Jones by the Ladies Club
30	April	Saturday – The Vigil of the Third Sunday of Easter
	5:00 p.m.	For the Intentions of Danielle DeSanti by Mike and Linda Jerrell
01	May	Sunday – Third Sunday of Easter
	9:30 a.m.	James Gilday, Sr. by Sandy Gilday
	6:00 p.m.	For the People

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

April 24 – May 1, 2022

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP
Sunday	Church	9:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy
	Parish Center	10:00 a.m.	First Communion Pictures
	Duffey Hall	10:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts
	Church	11:30 a.m.	First Communion
	Off-Site	2:00 p.m.	Ladies Club Fashion Show at Cynthia's Hallmark Greenfield
	St. Therese	3:30 p.m.	Confirmation Prep
Monday	St. Therese	6:30 p.m.	SoulCore
	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	Baptism Class
Tuesday	St. Therese	7:00 p.m.	RCIA Picnic
	Church	7:00 p.m.	Choir
Wednesday	Duffey Hall (school café)	7:00 p.m.	Festival Meeting
Thursday	Duffey Hall (school café)	6:30 p.m.	PPS Meeting
	St. Therese	8:00 p.m.	AA
Friday	Front of Church	3:00 p.m.	Bedding Plant Pickup
Saturday	Parish Center	8:30 a.m.	Confirmation Retreat
	Front of Church	10:00 a.m.	Invite Food Drive
Sunday	Church	9:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy
	Church	9:30 a.m.	First Communion Rite of Going Forth
	Duffey Hall School Café	10:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts
	Church	6:00 p.m.	Confirmation Rite of Sending

In Loving Memory

We extend our condolences to **Pauline Shikany**, on the death of her brother, Erwin Erb, who passed away April 12 and whose funeral liturgy was held here on April 22. Please keep all of Erwin's family and friends in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. May God welcome Erwin into his eternal glory.



The Little Flower Bedding Plant Pickup will be Friday, April 29 between 3:00 - 7:30 PM in front of Little Flower Church. Some extra bedding plants will be available for sale.

Many thanks to all of our Music Ministers for your extraordinary contributions during Holy Week and Easter. You participated in extra services and spent extra time at rehearsals. The gift of your time and talent made our celebrations special. Thanks as well to our parishioners and visitors who recognized their contributions with positive comments!

Tom



Readings for April 30 and May 1
Third Sunday of Easter
Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41
Revelation 5:11-14
Jn 21:1-19

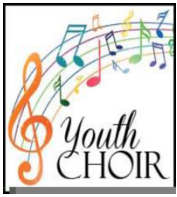
To read the readings on-line, go to
<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/050122.cfm>

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 – March 2022	434
April 2022 (so far - Easter not included)	507

Attendance for Easter Weekend 839

PPS (Parish-Parents-School) Committee is looking for Parish Partners to volunteer with our School Room Parent Program. These Partners will help to connect school families with the Parish and communicate information about Parish organizations and events. We would love to have at least one parish partner per classroom. No need to have a child at school to help with this important Parish/School program. While the school year is quickly coming to an end, information can still be shared over the summer. If interested in learning more either for this year or next school year, please reach out to Mandie Wade at mandie9906@yahoo.com or 317-410-5762 or Joanne Mages at joannemages@hotmail.com or 317-313-1971.



YOUTH CHOIR will sing at 6:00 p.m. Mass on Sundays April 24 and May 1, meeting in church at 5:00 p.m.

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

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Your Gifts of Treasure

Weekly Budget Goal	\$	13,000.00
Collection of April 16 and 17	\$	12,888.78
Electronic Contributions 4/4-4/8	\$	6,696.06
Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Actual	\$	550,543.79
Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget	\$	546,000.00
Fiscal Year 2021-2022 YTD	\$	4,543.79

Home Improvement Fund

February Contributions	\$	1,905.00
March Contributions	\$	2,037.00
April Contributions (to date)	\$	2,276.00

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.

LITTLE FLOWER FOOD DRIVE!!! DROP OFF ON THE FRONT STEPS OF CHURCH.

4/30/2022
10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

PLEASE BRING NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS, PERSONAL HYGIENE PRODUCTS, CLEANING SUPPLIES, PET FOOD, BABY ITEMS.

Items will go to the Shepherd Community on E. Washington St. and to the Red Box on Arlington to help serve the needy on the east side.

"And the King will answer and say unto them, inasmuch as you have done unto one of the least of my brethren, you have done unto me."
Matt. 25:40

Sponsored by the Little Flower Invite Commission.



The next **Baptism Preparation Class** is Monday, April 25, 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 June.



Summerfest 2022

June 3, 4, and 5

Permit #002626

Our next leadership team meeting is Wednesday, April 27 at 7 p.m. in the school cafeteria.

Raffle News

Raffle tickets are available for parishioner pickup this weekend and next. Volunteers will be delivering those not picked up at church after 2 weeks. If you can help deliver unclaimed tickets to parishioners, please call Jeannie at the Parish center at 317-357-8352. Please turn in your sold tickets and money in the collection or at the parish center. **Do your best to make the raffle a success!**

The Silent Auction team needs your help!

DONATE - Contact Elizabeth Mann (463-206-5196 or edeputy1@yahoo.com) or Andrea Johnson (317-340-5292) if you can donate! Handmade items, gift cards/certificates/services in value over \$25, season tickets for local sports or arts, timeshare/vacation weeks, unopened or "like new" household items – all these options are a great addition to our auction.

REGISTER - Register now for this year's auction at www.lfway.cbo.io. The auction will be on display at Summerfest, but all bidding will occur via the mobile/online platform. Visit the site now to preview items that will be in this year's auction. New items added daily!

IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO TURN IN A SPONSORSHIP (but almost)! 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 the name and address for Angie and she will mail information to them.

SPONSORSHIP DEADLINE HAS BEEN EXTENDED TO MAY 1.

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).

The next issue of the parish newsletter, "The Little Flower Garden" will be sent via email in mid-May. Any news or photos you have to share about Little Flower parishioners, ministries, or activities should be emailed to lfparishnews@yahoo.com by Friday, April 29. You may also bring items to the parish office or drop in the collection basket.

Stained Glass Raffle

With the help of just 20 people last year we raised over \$6,000 for the Little Flower Festival! This year again we will have 3 new stained glass creations to be raffled off. We send out about 500 emails to people in the parish. This year we would love for ALL of you to pitch in and help.

It's very easy. We will send out an email with the pictures of the glass and we ask that you forward it to all the people on your email list and also post to Facebook if you have an account. You are in NO way obligated to buy any tickets (but we would love it if you do). You are in NO way obligated to sell any amount of tickets. All we ask is that you forward these to your contacts. With your help we believe we can top last year's total and really help Little Flower to have another successful festival. It will take just a few minutes out of your busy schedule. PLEASE help us to have another banner year! Please contact Steve Wright at trading915@aol.com if you will help. Thanks in advance for all your help. Watch for emails in the coming weeks. We will keep you posted as to how we are doing with the raffle.

ATTENTION !

HELP WANTED: The Ladies Club is one of the oldest ministries at our parish that still functions today. On Oct 2, 1925, the Altar Society was formed with the purpose to support the Church's efforts to beautify and maintain the sanctuary. Eventually it became known as the Ladies Club. The Ladies Club is open to any women of the parish 18 years and older. Membership dues are \$10.00 a year. There are monthly meetings, educational programs, social outings and fundraisers to encourage camaraderie and support between the women of the parish. Money is given to Fr. Bob at the end of each fiscal year to help with general expenses or for a specific purpose such as new curtains for the windows in the sacristy. However, that may change if there is not an increase in those wishing to participate in the Ladies Club. Currently there is no one that wants to run for the following offices: President, 1st Vice President, and 2nd Vice President. If these offices cannot be filled the Ladies Club will have to disband and that would be a shame after all these years. Please prayerfully consider becoming a part of the Ladies Club and running for an office. If you are interested in learning more about what each office entails or wish to run for an office, please contact Peggy Clegg at pclegg@littleflowerparish.org or at 317-357-8352 x106 by Wednesday, May 4.



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:

Barbara Spellman

10841 Tealpoint Drive, Indianapolis, IN 46229

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.

Aden S. Haigerty, United States Navy, serving aboard aircraft carrier USS Ronald Reagan – nephew of Mike Haigerty.

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.



Thank you all so much for sending me cards as I continue rehab at Arlington Place. Each card brought a smile to my face and warmed my heart. It is nice to hear from parishioners and feel connected to the parish since I can't get to church. I appreciate your thoughtfulness. May God bless each of you as you have blessed me. *Charlene Fisher.*

Help Wanted

There is a parishioner looking for someone to help do light housekeeping and preparing meals for the next few months. This would be a paid position. If you are interested please contact Peggy Clegg at 317-357-8352 x106 or pclegg@littleflowerparish.org.

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