

ST. THERESE - LITTLE FLOWER

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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?

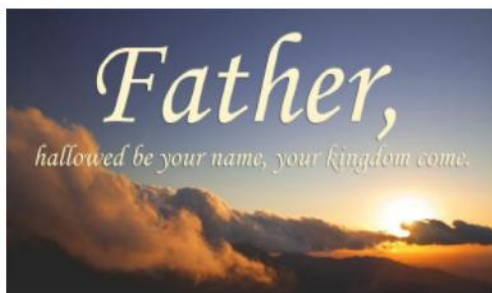
Inquiry Classes begin in late August as part of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). Call Parish Center for information.

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,

As I mentioned at Mass last Sunday, as good as it is to go away on vacation, it is always good to come home. Little Flower is a family, and I very much appreciate our parish family and being with our parish family as we come together to celebrate Sunday Eucharist.

One of the best parts of spending time with the families at the lake is the opportunity to understand better the challenges families face. Sometimes I think that as priests we live sheltered lives.

Thanks to the priests who filled in for me the two weekends I was away: Fr. Jim Bonke, Fr. Nick Dant, Fr. Rick Ginther, and Fr. Joe Rautenberg.

Also, thanks to the staff for all they do for me and for the parish. We are blessed with a very dedicated and hard-working staff.

Tom Costello has announced his intention to retire as Music Director on June 1, 2023. He will be sorely missed. Please take every opportunity to thank him for all he has done for Little Flower. Little Flower has had a tradition of great liturgical music all the way back to the late 1960's. Tom has continued the tradition of Charlie Gardner and Teresa Eckrich. Our search for a new music director will begin after Christmas.

As we get ready for a new school year, we can be proud of our support for Little Flower School. In the next few months, many physical improvements will be made to Little Flower School. Work is progressing on the new STEM Lab. Also in the gym, there will be a new wood gym floor, a new stage floor, and a new sound system. Interior floors will look like new. There will be new exterior doors to go with our recently added new interior doors. At the same time, we also need to be very grateful for all of our alumni and friends who help to make these improvements possible.

Little Flower is still enrolling students for the 2022-2023 school year. Little Flower offers small class sizes. Also, our Parish, Parent, School group, which replaced our PTO, is an attempt to deepen the connections between school and parish, parents and school, and parents and parish.

We invite you to visit Little Flower school, encourage you to tell others about Little Flower school, and to register your school-age children in Little Flower school.

June 29, the Solemnity of Sts. Peter and Paul, was Fr. Jim Farrell's and my 47th anniversary of ordination. Fr. Jim asked if he could concelebrate with me. Therefore, we sent out an email blast. Sixty-four people came to Mass that evening. Some were LF parishioners, several were grade school classmates, some were family and friends of Fr. Jim, and some were friends of mine. Thank you to all who came. I was very touched. Also, thanks to all who sent cards and gifts for my anniversary. This is only the second time Fr. Jim and I have celebrated Mass together on June 29, and the first was with Pope Paul VI.

Monday we celebrate the Feast of St. James, Apostle. James and his brother John were the sons of Zebedee. He is often referred to as St. James the Greater because he followed Christ before the other apostle named James. It is this St. James who is venerated at Compostella, Spain.

Tuesday is the feast of Sts. Joachim and Anne, parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This is a good day for all of us to pray for all parents. Parenting is one of the most challenging vocations.

Thursday is the 5th anniversary of Archbishop Thompson's installation as Archbishop of Indianapolis. Please pray for him in a special way on Thursday.

Friday is the feast of Sts. Martha, Mary, and Lazarus. Until last year, this was simply the feast of St. Martha. Pope Francis added her sister and brother, Mary and Lazarus. In last Sunday's Gospel, Martha and Mary welcomed Jesus into their home. We are most familiar with the story of Jesus raising Lazarus from the dead.

Have a wonderful week.

fr. Bob

The next issue of the parish newsletter, "The Little Flower Garden" will be sent via email in mid-August. Any news or photos you have to share about Little Flower parishioners, ministries, or activities should be emailed to lfparishnews@yahoo.com by Thursday, August 4. You may also bring items to the parish office or drop in the collection basket.



We extend our sympathy to Pattiann Gavaghan Johnson and Steve Johnson on the death of Pattiann's brother, **Dennis Gavaghan**, who passed away on July 15. Please keep all of Dennis' family and friends in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. May God welcome Dennis into his eternal kingdom.

MASS SCHEDULE

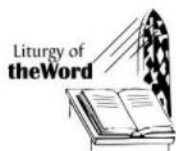
For the Week of July 25 - 31, 2022

25	July	Monday
	5:30 p.m.	Florence Lavelle Zimmer by Eric & Becky Mauser
26	July	Tuesday
	5:30 p.m.	Norman McCarty by Ann McCarty & Family
27	July	Wednesday
	5:30 p.m.	Frank Hagerty
28	July	Thursday
	5:30 p.m.	Jo Ann Milligan by the Ladies Club
29	July	Friday
	5:30 p.m.	For the Intentions of Charlie Goodman
30	July	Saturday – The Vigil of the 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
	5:00 p.m.	David C. O’Conner by Friends
31	July	Sunday – The 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
	9:30 a.m.	Craig Deputy by the Deputy Family
	6:00 p.m.	For the People

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

July 24 - 31, 2022

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP
Sunday	Back to School	Blessing at all Masses this Weekend.	
	Church	9:30 a.m.	Children’s Liturgy
	Duffey Hall (School Café)	10:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts
Tuesday	St. Patrick	6:30 p.m.	RCIA Team Meeting
Thursday	St. Therese	1:00 p.m.	Thursday Formation Group
	St. Therese	8:00 p.m.	AA
Sunday	Church	9:30 a.m.	Children’s Liturgy
	Duffey Hall (School Café)	10:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts



Readings for July 30 and 31
18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23
 Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11
 Luke 12:13-21

To read the readings on-line, go to

<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/073122.cfm>



YOUTH CHOIR will sing at 6:00 p.m. Mass on Sundays, July 24 and August 7, meeting in church at 5:00 p.m.

New Members are needed and always welcome. Questions? contact Tom at

tom@littleflowerparish.org



SAVE THE DATE: Our annual **Parish Picnic**, sponsored by the Parish Life Commission, will be on **Sunday, August 21, following 9:30 a.m. Mass**. It will be right here on our parish grounds. Please check future editions of *The Theresean* for more details.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Your Gifts of Treasure

Weekly Budget Goal	\$	13,100.00
Collection of July 16 and 17	\$	7,764.24
Electronic Contributions 7/11 – 7/15	\$	6,807.99
Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Actual	\$	37,663.44
Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget	\$	39,300.00
Fiscal Year 2022-2023 YTD DEFICIT	\$ -	1,636.56

Home Improvement Fund

May Contributions	\$	2,126.00
June contributions	\$	2,633.75
July contributions (to date)	\$	1,575.00

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 – May 2022		472
June 2022		389
July 2022 (so far)		380

Attendance for Easter Weekend (April 16/17) 839

Attendance for First Communion Weekend (April 23/24) 697



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, Bobbie Lawless, Larry Lynch, Catherine McKenna-Sexton, Cathy Mears, Gene Miller, Mike, Payne, Bill Rathz, Judy Rathz, Scott Rhinehart, Lourdes Riedeman, Gary Walters, Janet Wilkerson, Linda Hedges, and Olivia Jo Garrison.

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:

Natalie Isom

2520 S Rockport Road Apt 303, Bloomington, IN 47403

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.

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