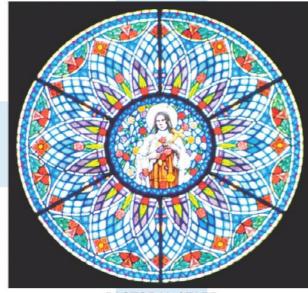
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### SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

5:00 PM Saturday: Mass

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

Monday - Friday 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM 317-357-8352 Fax 317-357-5 OFFICE HOURS: PARISH CENTER 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,

Please welcome Fr. Larry Richardt who will be the celebrant and homilist for our Saturday evening Mass this weekend. Fr. Larry is a retired priest of the Archdiocese who lives in the East Deanery.

On Wednesday, I am scheduled to celebrate Mass for the Sisters at Oldenburg. Therefore, there will not be Mass at Little Flower on Wednesday.

Are you interested in knowing about the Catholic Faith? Sessions (RCIA) for adults will begin on Tuesday, September 6, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the Parish Center. If you are

interested in learning more about the Catholic Church, becoming Catholic, or if you have been baptized Catholic and have not made First Communion or Confirmation, call Lisa at 317-357-8352 ext. 105, or email lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org for more information. We also need our parish community's help to welcome others to the Church. If you know of anyone who is in need of a Church community, let us know!

Please take a look at the letter in the bulletin from April Jones, whose family went through RCIA and RCIC last year. It is a powerful testimony of their faith journey.

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the Church's process for individuals to become Catholic and receive the sacraments of initiation—Baptism, Confirmation, and the Eucharist. The Rite speaks of conversion as a "spiritual journey." The RCIA process is a restoration of the ancient catechumenate that arose within the first three centuries following the era of the apostles. The Second Vatican Council called for the restoration and use of this venerable and powerful method of initiation for the worldwide Church.

Monday is the feast of the Queenship of Mary. This feast was added to the liturgical calendar by Pope Pius XII in 1954. Originally, it was celebrated on May 31 but was later moved to August 22, the octave day of the Solemnity of the Assumption. It was Pope Pius XII who infallibly defined the dogma of the Assumption on November 1, 1950.

Wednesday is the Feast of St. Bartholomew, Apostle. Bartholomew in the Synoptic Gospels is Nathaniel in John's Gospel. It is believed that Bartholomew is a surname meaning "the son of Tolmai." When Nathaniel approaches Jesus, Jesus, knowing his heart, praises him: "Here is a true Israelite. There is no duplicity in him'" [Jn. 1:47]. Jesus praised him for being a person of integrity and, therefore, a person of character. I once read that our character is defined by the commitments we make and the commitments we keep.

Saturday is the feast of St. Monica. St. Monica, the mother of St. Augustine, is the patroness of mothers. Through her prayers, she gained the conversion of her pagan husband and of St. Augustine who had lived a wild life until the age of 33.

Thank you for your generosity to Sister Selvi last weekend. Special thanks to David and Cindy Woods for hosting Sister Selvi last weekend. Sister Selvi is only 43 years old. She has been Superior General of her community for four years. She has been a Sister for almost 25 years.

Have a wonderful week.





We extend our condolences to *Liz* and *Ryan Davis and their family* on the death of Liz's aunt, **Betty Jean Courtney**, who passed away in July.

Please keep all of Betty's family and friends in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. May God welcome Betty Jean into his eternal glory.

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 - July 2022	399			
August 2022 (so far)	421			



Calling all confirmation candidates ages 14 thru 18! Preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation will be starting soon! An information meeting is scheduled for August 28, 2022 at 7 p.m. following the 6 p.m. Mass in the Parish center. Our first meeting, with candidates only, will

take place on September 25, 2022 from 3:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. Please help your teen search their heart and make a plan to join us for class this year! Please call Michele Rosenbaum with any questions and thank you! 317-443-7342.



### For the Week of August 22-28, 2022

22 August Monday

5:30 p.m. The Holy Souls in Purgatory

23 August Tuesday 5:30 p.m. Frances Dugan

24 August Wednesday No Mass

25 August Thursday 9:30 a.m. James Gilday 26 August Friday

August Friday 9:30 a.m. Jim and

9:30 a.m. Jim and Dan Freeland by Carol Freeland

27 August Saturday – The Vigil of the 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in

Ordinary Time

5:00 p.m. Charley Murphy by the Murphy Family

28 August Sunday – The 22nd Sunday in Ordinary

Time

9:30 a.m. Carol Luken by Bill & Susan Luken

6:00 p.m. For the Parish

## THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

August 22 - 28, 2022

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP	
Sunday	Church	9:00 a.m.	Liturgical choir	
	Church	9:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy	
	Parish	10:30 a.m.	Parish Picnic	
	Grounds			
	Church	7:00 p.m.	Youth Choir	
Monday	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	Baptism Class	
Tuesday	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	Religious Ed Catechist Meeting	
Wednesday	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	Liturgy Commission Meeting	
Thursday	St. Therese	1:00 p.m.	Thursday Formation Group	
	St. Therese	8:00 p.m.	AA	
Friday	All School Mass			
Sunday	Church	9:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy	
	Duffey Hall (school Café)	10:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts	
	St. Therese	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation Meeting	



Readings for August 27 and 28 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29 Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a

Luke 14: 1, 7-14

To read the readings on-line, go to

https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/082822.cfm



The Little Flower Ladies Club will be offering beautiful mums for your garden. Flyers are available on-line and at the doors of the church. **Orders are due by Monday, August 29.** Delivery date is Saturday, September 24 in the Little Flower School

Parking Lot, between 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.



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School is Back in Session!

Looking for an opportunity to spread your time and talent to our very own Little Flower School?

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. Partners may also have the opportunity to help the Room Parents with classroom activities. 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. If interested in learning more at the school, please reach out to Mandie Wade at <a href="mailto:mandie9906@yahoo.com">mandie9906@yahoo.com</a> or 317-410-5762 or Joanne Mages at <a href="mailto:joannemages@hotmail.com">joannemages@hotmail.com</a> or 317-313-1971.



The 22nd annual Father Robert Borchertmeyer golf outing is just around the corner. The outing will be on Friday, September 9, at 8:00 a.m. at Pleasant Run Golf Course and is only \$75 this year. This year we will be doing online registration and sponsorships. See this link below.

We will also be sharing the link via Facebook, Twitter and LinkedIn.

### https://lfgolftournament.com/

We will be teeing off at 8:00 a.m. again this year.

Please contact Jeff Lyons at 317-294-9242 or jeffly200@gmail.com if you are interested in playing.



YOUTH CHOIR will NOT have their monthly practice Sunday, August 21.

YOUTH CHOIR sing at 6:00 p.m. Mass on Sunday, August 28, meeting in church at 5:00 p.m.

New Members are needed and always welcome.

Questions? contact Tom at tom@littleflowerparish.org



CYO Basketball Sign Ups
Attention all 4<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grade girls who are members of the parish or go to the school who are interested in playing CYO basketball for Little Flower: registration is underway until August 25. Please register at orgsonline.com using our code,

165LF-N. Questions?

Contact LFACactivities@gmail.com.



Little Flower offers Religious Education (CCD) for children in kindergarten to 8th grade who attend public schools. We will meet on most Sundays from 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. beginning September 11, 2022 through April 2023. PLEASE NOTE if you have a child in 2nd grade that needs to make their First Communion and they attend public schools, please enroll your child in Religious Ed. If you have any questions, or to register for Religious Ed, please email Lisa at <a href="mailto:ligibbons@littleflowerparish.org">ligibbons@littleflowerparish.org</a>, or call 317-357-8352 ext. 105.



It's not too soon to think about joining the adult choir this fall. The adult choir sings at the 9:30 a.m. Mass on most Sundays from September through May. Practices are held on most Tuesday evenings from 7:00 p.m. until 8:30 p.m., and our first practice

for the new year will be Tuesday, September 6, at 7:00 p.m.

Several members have recently "retired", and we have 8 to 10 spots to fill in order to return to pre-pandemic levels. I am hoping this can be a rebuilding year for us, but we need these new voices to help accomplish this. We could use some new voices in ALL voice sections. with a little more need in the men's sections.

There is no audition needed and no minimum skill level required. Many of our members started with no previous choir experience or music-reading ability. Please start to give some serious thought to see if God is calling you to serve in this important ministry. It's a significant commitment, but one that can be satisfying as we hear the fruits of our labor nearly every weekend. If you have questions, call Tom at 357-8352 or better yet, e-mail <a href="tcostello@littleflowerparish.org">tcostello@littleflowerparish.org</a>. Let this year be the year when you take the step!





Praying Your Child Through Anything Evening of Reflection Presenter: Beth Leonard, Author

Monday, September 12, 2022 / 5:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Description: local Author and Speaker Beth Leonard will share from her latest book of the same title, real stories of extraordinary parents and their struggles, how they prayed and how they allowed peace to enter their souls...this will be an

evening to learn and hear God's will as we pray our children (grandchildren, nieces, nephews, etc.) through anything!

Registration: \$45.00; includes dinner and program; www.archindy.org/fatima - click on "Register" on the home page, or, contact Lisa Coons, Registrar, at (317) 545-7681 or lcoons@archindy.org.

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, Jane Bell, Esther Capps, Jack, Clark, 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, Sally Meth,Gene Miller, Mike, Payne, Bill Rathz, Judy Rathz, Scott Rhinehart, Ray Riley, 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:

Martha Tamer Arlington Place 1635 N Arlington Ave, Indianapolis, IN 46218

### 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.

PLEASE CONSIDER REMEMBERING LITTLE FLOWER PARISH AND SCHOOL IN YOUR ESTATE PLANNING.

### STEWARDSHIP CORNER

### **Your Gifts of Treasure**

Weekly Budget Goal	\$	13,100.00
Collection of August 13 and 14	\$	7,098.50
Electronic Contributions 8/8-8/12	\$	3,083.49
Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Actual	\$	83,599.38
Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget	\$	91,700.00
Fiscal Year 2022-2023 YTD DEFICIT	\$ -	8,100.62

### **Home Improvement Fund**

June contributions	\$ 2,633.75
July contributions	\$ 2,150.00
August contributions (to date)	\$ 1,397.50

PLEASE CONSIDER REMEMBERING LITTLE FLOWER PARISH AND SCHOOL IN YOUR ESTATE PLANNING. Catholic Cemeteries of the Archdiocese of Indianapolis invites you to a meeting on Monday, August 29 from 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. in the Parish Center. Information will be given about Catholic Cemeteries and you may also find the answers to your questions about a topic we typically do not like to discuss but will need to at some time. So bring your curiosity and your questions to the meeting.



The next Baptism Preparation Class is Monday, August 22 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 November.



### YOU'RE INVITED!

St. Vincent de Paul Love Your Neighbor Gala (formerly Struttin' Our Stuff) Saturday, August 27, 2022, 5:30 p.m. Northside Events & Social Club

Northside Events & Social Club 2100 E. 71st Street, Indianapolis

Order tickets at www.svdpindy.org/gala by August 15.

Auction items will go live on August 22, 2022



Are you living a busy life and don't really have time to talk to your spouse? We have a gift to share with you; it's called a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The Weekend will give you the opportunity to examine your lives together. A time to share your feelings, hopes, joys and frustrations without the interruption of family commitments, TV, internet and phone calls, rather it is a time to get to know your spouse all over again and rediscover your deep love for each other.

We are planning in-person Marriage Encounter Weekends at Our Lady of Fatima Retreat House, Indianapolis, on November 4-6, 2022 and at Mount Saint Francis Centre for Spirituality, New Albany, on February 10-12, 2023. Visit <a href="https://www.wwme.org">www.wwme.org</a> for further information.

Quote from a couple who made a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend: "Thank you for the most rewarding Weekend of our lives. We are looking eagerly to many exciting years together. We wish every young couple could experience a Marriage Encounter Weekend."



Dear Friends,

My son has been a student at Little Flower Catholic School since pre-4. My in-laws are Catholic, but my husband was never baptized. We have always wanted to jump into the RCIA program but had too much going on in our lives. Well, let me tell you, last year, we said enough is enough because our now fourth grader said, "Mom, classes are starting. Let's do it!" The love of the school and the faith that he shows were always enough for us. I thought we didn't have time.

We decided to do it and take the time, and I am so glad we were part of RCIA. The classes are so interesting and informative. We went to one class most Tuesdays for an hour and a half, and it went by so fast! Everyone welcomes you with open arms, willing to answer or find answers for any questions you may have. You learn about your faith and build friendships with people who have the same beliefs as yours.

My husband, son, and I were received into the Church through Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist on April 16, 2022, at the Easter Vigil. It was beautiful. I wondered how it went by so fast! The feeling of completion not only of the program, but the opening of your heart, mind, and soul that I feel from God is amazing.

If you are considering joining RCIA, I would say jump on the journey. You will not be disappointed. One last thing, I know RCIA means Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, or what I would like to call it is receiving Christ in Adulthood!

Sincerely,

### April Jones

Are you interested in knowing about the Catholic Faith? Sessions will begin on Tuesday, September 6, from 7 – 8:30 p.m. in the Parish Center. If you are interested in learning more about the Catholic Church, becoming Catholic, or just wanting to know more about our faith, call Lisa at 317-357-8352 ext. 105, or email <a href="mailto:lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org">lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org</a> for more information.



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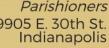
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