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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,

Today we celebrate the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) and RCIC (Rite of Christian Initiation of Children) Rite of Acceptance & Welcoming at the 9:30 a.m. Mass.

In this rite, our catechumens and candidates are asked to publicly declare their intentions to continue their journey towards becoming Catholic and to more fully embrace the Gospel message with God's help. They are signed with the Cross to show that they belong to Christ. Also, in this rite, the parish community more fully participates in and prays for those in the RCIA process. We encourage all parishioners to reach out to them as fellow members of the household of Christ.

Also, Pope Francis has designated this Sunday as World Day of the Poor. He has chosen "For your sakes Christ became poor (cf. 2 Cor 8:9)" as this

year's theme. In his message, he wrote, "In a word, generosity towards the poor has its most powerful motivation in the example of the Son of God, who chose to become poor."

Today is also Intention Sunday for the United Catholic Appeal Intention Weekend. The United Catholic Appeal reminds us that we are part of a larger church than our own parish. Our gifts to the United Catholic Appeal help the Church of the Archdiocese to proclaim the Word of God, to celebrate sacraments, and to respond with charity to the needs of God's people. Therefore, I hope that you will continue to be generous to the United Catholic Appeal.

Thank you to all those who worked so hard to make this year's All-Class Reunion last weekend special. Special thanks to Angie Mackell who is primarily responsible for the All-Class Reunion. Also, thanks to our parish and school staff, our adult and student liturgical choirs, and all those who attended. Also, every year the management and staff of the Indianapolis Marriott East do an outstanding job with our social and dinner. A successful All-Class Reunion requires a collaborative and cooperative effort on the part of all.

The evening went very well. The food was delicious. Alumni, however, most enjoy the opportunity to visit with former classmates and friends. The highlight of the evening, of course, was the presentation of awards.

Each year the \$1,000 Bob Kiley Scholarship is awarded to an outstanding 8th grader who is an altar server. This year the award was given to Payton Roadley. Congratulations to Payton and her parents, Tiffany Guthrie and Michael Roadley.

Also, congratulations to three outstanding alumni who were added to our Wall of Honor: June Ann Nally Jorgenson, Class of 1953, Dr. Thomas Thamann, PhD, Class of 1962, and Kurt Schnell, Class of 1981. I hope to include a short biography of each within the next couple of weeks.

This past week we celebrated Vocation Awareness Week. Most of us are familiar with the old African proverb that it takes a village to raise a child. I would suggest it takes a parish to foster and support vocations to priesthood and religious life. All of us have a part to play in identifying, encouraging, and praying for vocations to priesthood and religious life. However, I would also suggest it takes a parish to foster and support vocations to marriage and the single life.

Have a wonderful week.

fr. Bob

On the weekend of November 19 and 20, as we celebrate the Feast of Christ the King, lectors, servers, music ministers, greeters, ushers, and arts and environment ministers will be commissioned at all Masses. (Because of their special role, Eucharistic ministers will be commissioned next spring at the Holy Thursday liturgy.) Please plan to come forward for a special blessing at whatever Mass you attend.



Readings for November 19 and 20
Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

2 Samuel 5:1-3
Colossians 1:12-20
Luke 23:35-43

To read the readings on-line, go to

<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/112022.cfm>

MASS SCHEDULE

For the Week of November 14-20, 2022

- 14 November **Monday**
5:30 p.m. Steve Dixon by David & Bev Dinn
- 15 November **Tuesday**
5:30 p.m. Christy Deal
- 16 November **Wednesday**
5:30 p.m. Mary Wagner Perry by Ladies Club
- 17 November **Thursday**
5:30 p.m. Fr. Phil Bowers by Jane Gilmore
- 18 November **Friday**
9:30 a.m. For the Intentions of Fr. Bob by Your Parish Family
- 19 November **Saturday – The Vigil of Christ the King**
5:00 p.m. Elizabeth Nicholls Forston by the Nicholls Family
- 20 November **Sunday – The Christ the King**
9:30 a.m. Jesse “Chico” Quiroz by Ray & Mary Beth Alvarado
6:00 p.m. For the People

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

November 13 - 20, 2022

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP
Sunday	Blood Pressure Check at all Weekend Masses.		
	Church	9:30 a.m.	Children’s Liturgy
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	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
	Church	7:00 p.m.	Youth Choir Practice
Monday			
Tuesday	Duffey Hall (school café)	6:30 p.m.	Math Night
	Scout Room	6:30 p.m.	Scouts
	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	LFNA Meeting
	Church	7:00 p.m.	Choir
	Parish Center (St. Therese)	7:00 p.m.	RCIA
Wednesday	St. Patrick	6:00 p.m.	Finance Committee
	St. Patrick	7:00 p.m.	Liturgy Committee
Thursday	St. Therese	6:00 p.m.	Women’s AA Workshop
	Duffey Hall (school café)	6:30 p.m.	PPS Meeting
	St. Therese	8:00 p.m.	AA
Friday			
Saturday	St. Therese	9:00 a.m.	SVDP
Sunday	Church	9:30 a.m.	Children’s Liturgy
	School	10:30 a.m.	Religious Ed
	Duffey Hall (school café)	10:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts
	St. Therese	3:30 p.m.	Confirmation Prep

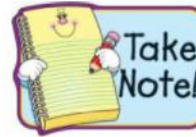


SAVE THE DATE
Our Parish Christmas Party
will be on Sunday, December 11
following the 9:30 a.m. Mass.
Mark your calendar and plan on coming.



We remember our parishioner, **Donna English**, who passed away on October 28 and whose funeral liturgy was celebrated on November 4.

Donna joined LF in 2001 and was a woman of great faith! Please keep all of Donna’s family and friends in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. May God welcome Donna into his eternal glory.



LECTORS will need their new workbooks for the year beginning with the readings of November 26 and 27. Please pick up your copy in the sacristy.



Want to give back to the community but not be tied to a schedule or leave your home? We are looking for one or two more volunteers to join our IU Health Little Flower Congregation ministry. There will be a training session in January. The class lasts only an hour once a week for 4 weeks via Zoom. If you have an hour or less a week to phone someone that can use telephone support or help from a network of community resources, you may enjoy this ministry. We are learning how to address issues of social isolation and loneliness, especially for persons with chronic illnesses. If you would like to join our ministry or learn more about it, please contact Pattian Gavaghan, 317-502-4630, email gavagpt@gmail.com or Trisha Corcoran, 317-363-7890, email torcoranotr@gmail.com.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Holiday Bulletin Deadlines
Our bulletin company has been alerted by UPS and FedEx that both companies expect to be pushed to capacity this holiday season, if not beyond. Also, to ensure delivery with office closures during the holidays, we will have strict deadlines for bulletin submissions. Please make note of the changes.

Thanksgiving Schedule

- November 27 bulletin submissions are **due by Wednesday, November 16, at noon.**

Christmas Schedule

- December 18 bulletin submissions are **due by Thursday, December 8, at noon.**
- December 25 bulletin submissions are **due by Thursday, December 15, at noon.**
- January 1 bulletin submissions are **due by Thursday, December 22, at noon.**

**MOVIE NIGHT !*****A Place at the Table***

The lives of 6 African-Americans on the path for Sainthood. This may be the most interesting Movie

you've seen this year.

November 28, 6:30 p.m., LF Cafeteria

FREE SNACKS, POPCORN

~BRING YOUR OWN BEVERAGE~



Indiana University Health

ATTENTION CARE GIVERS

IU Health Connected Care, in partnership with the Ransburg YMCA, is hosting a free Senior and Caregiver Resource Fair for members of the community to learn more about local resources and meet healthcare providers whose focus is on improving the lives of seniors and supporting caregivers. The date is Wednesday, November 16 from 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. at Ransburg YMCA, 501 N Shortridge Rd, in the adult gym. A light lunch will be served and there will be giveaways, along with lots of helpful information. The event is free but registration is required. Please call IU Health Connected Care at 317-832-1780 or register online at caregiverresourcefair.eventbrite.com. For more information please visit iuhealth.org/connectindy.

**Thanksgiving Blessing Bags**

Thank You to everyone who took a Thanksgiving Blessing Bag to fill for a neighborhood family in need for Thanksgiving. If you forgot to return your bag to Church this weekend, please return it to the parish office on **Monday, November 14**.

If you did not get a bag but still want to help, here's what you can do. Please consider purchasing a \$25 gift card from Aldi or Kroger. These cards will be distributed with our bags to allow families to purchase the perishable food portion of their meal. Please drop off the card(s) to the parish office sometime this week.

Thank you once again for your overwhelming generosity!

The Parish Life Commission will host "Journey into Advent: Faith, Family, and Fun" on **Monday, November 21, from 6:00-7:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria**. This is an opportunity for families to reflect on the meaning of Advent before it begins on November 27. The evening will begin with dinner (pizza). Following dinner, each family will be given the opportunity to make an Advent Calendar. The evening is **free**, but reservations are needed in order to make sure there is enough food and supplies for everyone. **Please call the Parish Office, 317-357-8352, to let us know how many people in your family will be attending, by Friday, November 18.** All are invited! If you have any questions, contact Peggy Clegg at pclegg@littleflowerparish.org or 317-357-8352 x106.

**YOUTH CHOIR**

Youth Choir will practice on Sunday, November 13 from 7:00 p.m. until 8:15 p.m. in Church.

Youth Choir will sing at the 6 p.m. Mass on Sundays, November 27 and December 4, meeting in Church at 5 p.m. New Members are always welcome. Questions? Please contact Tom at tom@littleflowerparish.org

STEWARDSHIP CORNER**Your Gifts of Treasure**

Weekly Budget Goal	\$	13,100.00
Collection of November 5 and 6	\$	7,501.31
Electronic Contributions 10/31-11/4	\$	8,554.23
Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Actual	\$	240,015.24
Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget	\$	248,900.00
Fiscal Year 2022-2023 YTD DEFICIT	\$	- 8,884.76

Home Improvement Fund

September Contributions	\$	2,247.00
October Contributions	\$	2,318.00
November Contributions (to date)	\$	1,164.00

PLEASE NOTE

This weekend is Intention Sunday for the Archdiocesan United Catholic Appeal: Christ our Hope. Christ our Hope provides year-long support to Archdiocesan ministries that benefit people in all parishes. You should have received your intention card in the mail, but extras are available at the church doors. Please take special care that you don't mistake this for the intention card for parish support. Our parish awareness campaign for stewardship of time, talent, and treasure will take place in the coming months.

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	471
September 2022	422
October 2022	451
November (so far)	464*

* adjusted due to alumni weekend.

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



IT SEEMS EARLY,...BUT ADVENT IS COMING

We are seeking volunteers to assist in the lighting of the Advent Wreath at weekend Masses throughout Advent. This includes the weekends of November 26/27, and December 3/4,

10/11, and 17/18. If you are interested in helping, you can sign yourself up using this link:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0949A8AD28A7F85-advent>

OR

send an email to tom@littleflowerparish.org, and a couple of preferred weekends and Mass times. Please respond as soon as possible as we would like to get the schedule set. You will be sent a reminder before the weekend you are scheduled.



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, Floretta Burton, Esther Capps, Joe Clegg, Steve Critelli, Dan Dugan, Sherri (Ruegamer) Dugger, Joanna Estes, Forestal Family, Charlene Fisher, Carol Freeland, Roberta Galluzzi, Olivia Jo Garrison, Haydee Gloria, Charlie Goodman, Margie Greene, Linda Hedges, Mary Lou Hoggatt, Lois Irwin, Bobbie Lawless, Larry Lynch, Catherine McKenna-Sexton, Cathy Mears, Sally Meth, Gene Miller, Mike Payne, Ray Quinn, Bill Rathz, Judy Rathz, Scott Rhinehart, Ray Riley, Lourdes Riedeman, Bill Schlosser, Gary Walters, and 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:

Elizabeth Dyer

1427 N Drexel Ave, Indianapolis, IN 46201

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.



LITTLE FLOWER CHRISTMAS CHOIR

Preparations for Little Flower Christmas Choir are right around the corner. Every year, our adult choir welcomes in adults from

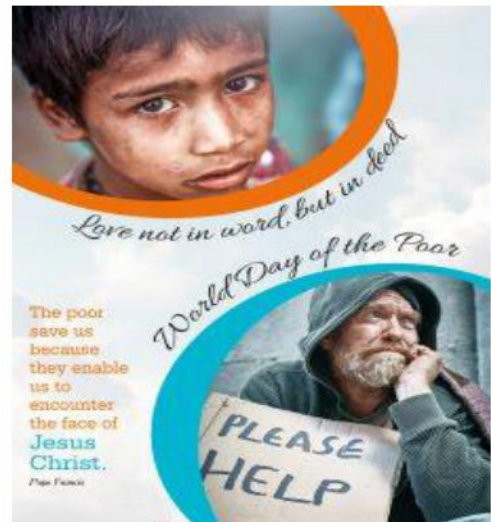
inside and outside the parish who may not want to commit to the choir on a year-round basis. We also welcome parish children in grades 6 and above who wish to join.

The Christmas Choir rehearses on the 5 Tuesdays prior to Christmas at 7 p.m., beginning on Tuesday, November 22. The choir will then sing at the 10 p.m. Mass on Christmas Eve and the 9:30 a.m. Masses on Sundays, January 1 and January 8.

Members are asked to commit to four of the five practices and are also asked to commit to two of the three Masses at which the Christmas Choir sings unless special circumstances exist and arrangements are made in advance. Special arrangements will be made for returning college students.

Please consider being a part of this special tradition! Questions should be directed to Tom Costello at tcostello@littleflowerparish.org. **This year, if you plan to join, please email Tom as soon as possible. We want to make sure we can accommodate everyone and that we have enough music ready for everyone! *It's very important that we know in advance if you plan to come!***

Next weekend, November 19 and 20 is the collection for the Campaign for Human Development. CCHD was founded to help end the cycle of poverty in the United States by funding organizations that help individuals help themselves. With the tradition of improving education, housing, and community economic development, CCHD continues to make a positive impact in communities nationwide. Your donation will help defend human dignity and reach out to those living on the margins. Please use the envelope provided in your regular packet and place your donation in the regular collection.



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