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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?

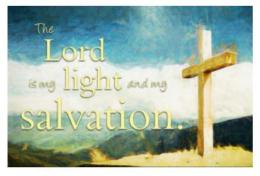
Inquiry Classes begin in late August as part of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). Call Parish Center for information.

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,

Today is the Third Sunday of Ordinary Time. In 2019, Pope Francis designated the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time as the Sunday of the Word of God'

This Monday, January 23, the Catholic Church in the United States marks the anniversary of the Supreme Court decision Roe v Wade which legalized abortion throughout the United States with a Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children. Although Roe v Wade was overturned by this year's Supreme Court decision Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization, the battle for the legal protection of unborn children has now moved to the states. Therefore, the 5:30 p.m. Mass will be the Mass "For Giving Thanks to God for the Gift of Human Life." Please

join us as we give thanks for the gift of human life and pray for the legal protection of unborn children.

Tuesday, January 24, is the feast of St. Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church. As bishop of Geneva, he tried to bring many people back to the Church by his writings and by the witness of his life.

On Wednesday, January 25, we celebrate the Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul. Wednesday also marks the fifth anniversary of the death of Archbishop Daniel Buechlein, O.S.B.

Thursday, January 26, is the feast of Sts. Timothy and Titus, who were companions of St. Paul and overseers of the churches of Ephesus and Crete respectively. St. Paul wrote two letters to Timothy and one letter to Titus.

Friday is the optional memorial of St. Angela Merici. In the 1500's St. Angela was the foundress of the Ursulines, the first teaching order especially for the education of poor young girls. Her goal was the re-evangelization of families through the education of future wives and mothers. She offers a powerful reminder that as much as things change, they stay the same!

Saturday is the Memorial of St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church. Thomas Aquinas has always been considered the Catholic Church's greatest theologian and philosopher. In this first year of the Eucharistic revival, we should remember that he also composed several of the best known Latin Eucharistic hymns: Adoro te devote, O salutaris, Tantum ergo, and Pange lingua, and the sequence Lauda Sion. He is also the patron saint of Catholic schools, colleges, and universities.

Next Sunday, January 29, is the beginning of Catholic Schools Week. We invite all parishioners to the Little Flower Catholic School Open House on that day from 10:30-12:30. Come see our new gym and stage floors and our impressive new STEM Lab. Tour classrooms, talk to students, parents, and staff and discover The Little Way. A Catholic school should be a microcosm of the parish, and Little Flower School is a warm, welcoming, family environment. Come see YOUR school in action.

Have a wonderful week!



We extend our condolences to Dennis and Noreen Murphy on the death of Dennis' sister, Janet O'Connell, who passed away on January 7 and whose

funeral liturgy was celebrated at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church on January 14. Please keep all of Janet's family and friends in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. May God welcome Janet into his eternal glory.



Readings for January 28/29 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Zepheniah 2:3; 3:12-13 I Corinthians 1:26-31 Matthew 5:1-12a

To read the readings on-line, go to

https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/012923.cfm



We will soon be running the schedule for February, March, and April. Our plan is to resume distribution of the shared cup in February 2023. We would like to accommodate times that you anticipate being away and unable to serve. Could you

please send a list of any dates that you would be unable to serve to the coordinators of each ministry (emails listed below).

Lectors, please e-mail Katie Leszcynski at kleszcynski@gmail.com Eucharistic ministers, please e-mail Ron Sharp at duvkote@aol.com Servers, please e-mail Lisa Gibbons at lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org

Please look ahead at your calendar, as it is much easier to let us know now when you are unavailable than it is for you to try to find a substitute. If there are no dates that you anticipate being away, there is no need to respond. If however, you have dates to request that you not be scheduled, please respond to the appropriate ministry coordinator no later than end of day on Tuesday, January 24.



For th	ie Week of January 23 - 29, 2023
January	Monday
5:30 p.m.	Anne Sitzman Hook
January	Tuesday
5:30 p.m.	Michael & Carolyn Ley by Carol Freeland
January	Wednesday
5:30 p.m.	Fr. Ken Taylor by Jane Gilmore
January	Thursday
	No Mass
January	Friday
9:30 a.m.	Mary Ita Moriarty by Family
January	Saturday - The Vigil of 4th Sunday in
	Ordinary Time
5:00 p.m.	For the People
January	Sunday - The Fourth Sundy in Ordinary
	January 5:30 p.m. January 5:30 p.m. January 5:30 p.m. January January 9:30 a.m. January 5:00 p.m.

6:00 p.m. For the Intentions of the Wehlage Family by

the Cannon Family

Time

9:30 a.m.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Floretta Burton by the Ladies Club

January 22 -29, 2023 TELLATE

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP
Sunday	Church	9:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy
	Duffey Hall (school café)	10:30 a.m.	Coffee & Donuts
	School	10:30 a.m.	Religious Ed
Monday	Duffey Hall (school café)	6:30 p.m.	Bible Study
Tuesday	St. Therese (Parish Center)	7:00 p.m.	RCIA
	Church	7:00 p.m.	Choir
Wednesday	Parish Center	6:15 p.m.	Bible Study - Childcare
	St. Therese (Parish Center)	6:30 p.m.	Bible Study
	Duffey Hall (school Café)	7:00 p.m.	Festival Meeting
	St. Patrick (Parish Center)	7:00 p.m.	Liturgy Meeting
Thursday	St. Therese (Parish Center)	1:00 p.m.	Thursday Formation Group
	St. Therese (Parish Center)	6:00 p.m.	Women's AA Workshop
	St. Therese (Parish Center)	8:00 p.m.	AA
Saturday	Duffey Hall (school Café)	6:00 p.m.	Reverse Raffle & Bingo Night
Sunday	Church	9:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy
-100	Duffey Hall (school Café)	10:30 a.m.	Little Flower School Open House
	St. Therese (Parish Center)	3:30 p.m.	Confirmation Prep



Adopt-A-Seminarian Program

The Office of Priestly and Religious Vocations has assigned Alexander W. Lindberg to Little Flower in their Adopt-A-Seminarian Program. Through this program we ask everyone to pray for and send words of encouragement to

Alexander throughout the year. There are prayer cards with his picture at the church doors. Direct contact information for Alexander can be found at www.HearGodsCall.org.



The Adventuresome Group will meet on Wednesday, February 8, following the 11:00 a.m. Mass in the Parish Center. This month we will be celebrating Valentine's Day. Please contact Peggy Clegg at 317-357-8352 x 106 or pclegg@littleflowerparish.org if you plan on attending. Feel free to bring

a friend and don't forget to wear red or pink!!

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Your Gifts of Treasure

Weekly Budget Goal	\$	13,100.00
Collection of January 14 and 15	\$	8,526.19
Electronic Contributions 1/9-1/13	\$	2,951.54
Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Actual	\$	380,562.79
Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget	\$	379,900.00
Fiscal Year 2022-2023 YTD	S	662.79

Home Improvement Fund

November Contributions	\$ 2,034.00
December Contributions	\$ 2,324.00
January Contributions (to date)	\$ 1,438.00

United Catholic Appeal (gifts processed as of 12/22)

Parish Goal	\$ 58,338.00	
# of gifts received or pledged	23	
Amount of gifts received or pledged	\$ 11,186.00	



YOUTH CHOIR (grades 8 thru 12)

Youth Choir will sing on Sundays, January 22 and February 1, meeting in church at 5:00 pm for 6:00 pm Mass.

Questions? E-mail tom@littleflowerparish.org



JEREMIAH 1:5



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, Fr. Mike Barton, Jane Bell, 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, Sally Meth, Gene Miller, Jimmy Murphy, 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:

Charlie Goodman 2313 N Graham 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.

Annual financial statements will be prepared and mailed no later than January 25. Statements for Christ our Hope United Catholic Appeal will be mailed by the Archdiocese. Statements for school annual fund will be separate from the statements for the regular parish donations.

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

The next issue of the parish newsletter, "The Little Flower Garden" will be distributed in mid-February. Any news or photos you have to share about Little Flower parishioners, ministries, or activities should be emailed to lfparishnews@yahoo.com by Thursday, January 26. You may also bring items to the parish office or drop in the collection basket.



The next Baptism Preparation Class is Monday, February 6 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 April.

FESTIVAL NEWS

Summerfest 2023 June 2, 3, and 4

Kick off meeting for the leadership team is Wednesday, January 25 at 7:00 p.m. in the cafeteria.

Weekend Mass Attendance (weekly averages)

December 2019 - February 2020 (pre-pandemic)	608
June 2020 - May 2021	
June 2021 - May 2022	
June 2022 - August 2022	
September 2022 - November 2022	
December 2022 (first three weekends)	
January 2023 (thru 1/22)	



Catholic in Recovery Indianapolis is a new resource available to Catholics throughout the Archdiocese who are either themselves facing addiction or are helping loved ones face addiction. Here is more information:

Catholic in Recovery (https://catholicinrecovery.com/) blends the Sacraments with a 12-Step Program to help both those dealing with substance abuse and any addictions and those loved ones of addicts and substance abusers. The Indianapolis chapter meeting is at 7 p.m. every Monday in the Cry Room at Saint Simon the Apostle Church, 8155 Oaklandon Road, 46236 (northeast side of Indianapolis). When you arrive for the meeting, please enter the church under the big drive-through overhang and turn right to the Cry Room. For more local information or to have someone reach out to you, please email CatholicinrecoveryIndy@gmail.com.

J*A*N*U*A*R*Y

St. Therese LITTLE FLOWER CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Little Flower Catholic School is now accepting registrations for the 2023-24 school year. You can schedule a tour and pick up registration forms by contacting the school office at 317-353-2282 or email kgawrys@littleflowerparish.org. Little Flower does accept state vouchers. Catholic education is affordable for all families.



Little Flower Catholic School January 29, 2023

10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Come and see the wonderful things happening at your Catholic school.

See the new gym floor, the new doors, and our awesome new STEM Lab.



SCECINA MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL

Early Bird Scholarship

We are currently accepting applications for admissions to Scecina for the class of 2027. Students who apply and enroll by March 17, 2023, are eligible for a \$3,000 Early Bird Scholarship. Scecina will announce one name on March 20, 2023. Contact Director of Admissions Miriam Medina for more information at mmedina@scecina.org.

Club 53

Save the date for Club 53!

Last year's Club 53 was sold out. Don't be caught out in the cold this spring when Scecina's signature fundraiser returns on April 15, 2023! Tickets go on sale in late January.

This year's Club 53 will be a special night to celebrate Scecina with you and support the school.

Here is what's in store:

- \$10,000 grand prize reverse raffle
- Catered meal by Indy Anna's
- Silent Auction
- Beer and wine
- Dancing with The Doo



Kroger Community Rewards

Our third-quarter earnings from The Kroger Community Rewards Fundraiser is \$715.43, with 238 households participating between 10/1/2022 to 12/31/2022. You could help Little Flower School earn up to \$50,000 every three months! How? By shopping at Kroger and using

your registered Kroger Plus Card. To register your Kroger Plus Card, go to www.kroger.com/communityrewards. You will first sign in to your Kroger account or register for a new account. After you log into your account, please enter our organization number CP031. The more you spend at Kroger, the larger the check Little Flower will receive. Note: It will be necessary for you to re-register for this program every year. Thanks in advance!



CYO Camp Rancho Framasa in Nashville, Indiana has summer camping opportunitites for ages 7-19. Established in 1946, CYO Camp is an inclusive residential camp offering 3 and 6 day sessions. Employment opportunites are

available for high school seniors and older at our residential camp as well as high school age at our Day Camp locations. For more information, registration, and employment please visit www.campranchoframasa.org.



A Dating Retreat and Study Series for single Catholics! NCSC is hosting a FREE online Dating Retreat with guest speaker Fr. Robert Spitzer (January 27 & 28). Currently there are almost 400 single Catholics from around the world signed up and we're expecting 500+. Don't miss the opportunity to meet other like-minded singles and go deeper in your faith!

Starting the week of February 6, NCSC will also be hosting a 6 week study series – "Relationship Ready: A Single Catholic's Roadmap to Marriage" that will cover topics such as the meaning of love, communication, conflict resolution, male/female complementarity and much more. To sign up for these programs, visit NationalCatholicSingles.com.

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Reverse Raffle & Bingo Night

Saturday January 28 in LF cafeteria Doors open 6:00pm

*Pre-Sale thru Jan 27: \$30 Individual Raffle or Bingo ticket

\$50 Combo Ticket (Raffle + Bingo)

*Day of Event: \$35 Individual Raffle or Bingo ticket

\$60 Combo Ticket (Raffle + Bingo)

*Full Tables also available for purchase (8 tickets + 1 free Raffle entry)

All tickets include dinner, drinks, and chances for cash prizes!

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fooking for a way to cure the winter blues?

Need a break from the day to day at home and at work?



Want an adult only evening without the hassle of trying to plan all of it?

Join us for The Little Flower Men's and Ladies' Clubs: **Social Dinner Dance!!**

Who: Men and Women over 21

(Do not need to be a parishioner.)

What: Catered dinner with beer, wine, and soft drinks

included, followed by dancing!

When: Saturday, February 18, 2023

Social hour - after 5 p.m. Mass, dinner at 6:30 p.m.

Where: Little Flower Cafeteria

How Much: \$40 per person / \$80 per couple

RSVP: Buy tickets at parish office or by contacting Amy

& Steve below, no later than Monday, February 6

at 3 p.m.

Contact: Amy Clegg 317-223-6850, or

email amy.clegg@att.net Steve Clegg 317-538-6636, or email steven.clegg@att.net





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