

ST. THERESE - LITTLE FLOWER

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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At-Large Member	Patrick Becker
At-Large Member	Kelly Dunn
At-Large Member	Katie Leszcynski
At-Large Member	Michele Rosenbaum

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,



**At the time of the bulletin printing
Fr. Bob is on a well-deserved vacation.
His letter will return to the bulletin
in one week.**

Weekend Mass Attendance (weekly averages)

December 2019 - February 2020 (pre-pandemic)	608
June 2020 - May 2021	249
June 2021 - May 2022	434
June 2022 - May 2023	483
June 2023	455
July 2023 (thru July 9)	402



Saint Vincent De Paul News

The local conference of SVDP is called to journey together toward holiness through serving Christ in the poor and one another. The work is supported by donations. When a month has five Sundays (like July), a special donation envelope is dedicated to

SVDP. Please prayerfully reflect on your ability to give and help on Sunday, July 30.



We remember our former parishioner, **Dot Fulner** who passed away on June 30. She was a parishioner for many years until she moved to Pace, FL. to be closer to her daughter. Dot's funeral services were held in Florida. We extend our sympathy to **Ann McCarty** on the death of her daughter,

Jeanette (McCarty) Corrigan, who passed away on June 24 and whose funeral liturgy was celebrated here on July 3. Jeanette was a graduate of Little Flower School. We extend our condolences to **Courtney (Steve) Turner and their family** on the death of Courtney's father, **David Steelman**, who passed away on July 3 and whose funeral service was held on July 8. Please keep all of Dot's, Jeanette's, and David's family and friends in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. May God welcome Dot, Jeannette, and David into his heavenly kingdom.

The next issue of the parish newsletter, "The Little Flower Garden" will be distributed in mid-August. Any news or photos you have to share about Little Flower parishioners, ministries, or activities should be emailed to lflparishnews@yahoo.com by Friday, July 28. You may also bring items to the parish office or drop in the collection basket.

View this bulletin online at www.DiscoverMass.com



For the Week of July 17 -23, 2023

17	July	Monday
	5:30 p.m.	Fr. Paul Hulsman
18	July	Tuesday
	5:30 p.m.	John and Winne Gorman by Ivy Sky
19	July	Wednesday
	5:30 p.m.	Jack Gilmore by Joe & Martha Finneran
20	July	Thursday
	9:30 a.m.	Bryan Cuppy by Donna & Thomas Kemp
21	July	Friday
	5:30 p.m.	Glen Schmidt by B.J. Schmidt
22	July	Saturday – The Vigil the 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
	5:00 p.m.	Mary, Charles, & Patrick O'Hara by James O'Hara
23	July	Sunday – The 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
	9:30 a.m.	For the People
	6:00 p.m.	Betty Hammond by the Clifford Family

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

July 16 - 23, 2023

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP
Sunday	Church	9:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy
	Duffey Hall (School Caf�)	10:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts
Monday	Duffey Hall (School Caf�)	6:00 p.m.	Vacation Bible School Registration
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Tuesday	Parish Lawn	7:00 p.m.	Little Flower Neighborhood
	St. Therese (Parish Center)	5:00 p.m.	SVDP
Wednesday	St. Patrick (Parish Center)	6:00 p.m.	Finance Council
	Duffey Hall (School Caf�)	6:30 p.m.	Vacation Bible School
Thursday	St. Patrick (Parish Center)	7:30 p.m.	Stewardship Commission
	St. Therese (Parish Center)	1:00 p.m.	Thursday Formation Group
Friday	Duffey Hall (School Caf�)	6:30 p.m.	Vacation Bible School
	St. Therese (Parish Center)	8:00 p.m.	AA
Saturday	St. Therese (Parish Center)	4:00 p.m.	Legion of Mary
	Duffey Hall (School Caf�)	6:30 p.m.	Vacation Bible School
Sunday	Duffey Hall (School Caf�)	8:00 p.m.	Vacation Bible School Ice Cream Social
	Church	9:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy
	Duffy Hall (School Caf�)	10:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts



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, Mark Clevenger, Dan Dugan, Sherri (Ruegamer) Dugger, Joanna Estes, Forestal Family, Carol Freeland, Olivia Jo Garrison, Haydee Gloria, Katie Goodin, Charlie Goodman, Margie Greene, Linda Hedges, Mary Lou Hoggatt, Lois Irwin, Bobbie Lawless, Bobby Lesczynski, Larry Lynch, Catherine McKenna-Sexton, Sally Meth, Gene Miller, Jimmy Murphy, Carol 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:

Kathryn Toler
Robin Run Health Center
6370 Robin Run W, Indianapolis, IN46268

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.

Javier Estrada – United States Navy, serving on the USS Wisconsin in Great Lakes, IL.

Jared Cox - United States Army at Fort Riley, Kansas, grandson of Ed and Cindy Wernsing.

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.



We will soon be running the schedule for August, September, and October. 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 email Katie Lesczynski at katie.leszynski1993@gmail.com
- **Eucharistic Ministers:** please email Tom Costello at tcostello@littleflowerparish.org
- **Servers:** Please email 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 Wednesday, July 26.**



NOW HIRING

We continue to seek a replacement for Tom Costello. We are searching for a part-time (approx. 20 hrs. per week) Director of Music Ministry to lead a well-developed liturgical ministry.

Responsibilities include:

- Providing music at three Masses per weekend, including personal direction and/or performance for at least two Masses.
- Recruiting and supervising volunteer musicians.
- Directing adult and youth choirs.
- Training cantors.
- Assisting with liturgical music for school liturgies.

This dynamic person of faith should have a Bachelor's Degree in music or equivalent experience, a strong knowledge of Roman Catholic liturgy, and proficiency in keyboard and choral direction. Salary commensurate with education and experience.

E-mail cover letter, résumé, and references, to musicdirectorsearch@littleflowerparish.org.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Your Gifts of Treasure

Weekly Budget Goal	\$	13,200.00
Collection of July 8 and 9	\$	5,487.16
Electronic Contributions 7/3-7/7	\$	9,463.00
Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Actual	\$	27,385.63
Fiscal Year 2023-24 Budget	\$	26,400.00
Fiscal Year 2023-24 YTD	\$	985.63
 Fiscal Year 2022-2023 FINAL	\$	+ 16,798.03

Home Improvement Fund

May Contributions	\$	2,520.00
June Contributions	\$	2,210.00
July Contributions (to date)	\$	1,427.00

Little Flower Euchre Nights

Sponsored by the Little Flower Men's Club

Who: Ladies and Gents at least 21 years of age
Where: Little Flower Cafeteria
When: The following Wednesday nights from 6:30-9:00 p.m.:

July 26
 August 9 and 23
 September 6 and 20
 October 11 and 25

We will play a round robin within groups of 8, so you will play 7 rounds and partner with everyone in your group of 8. Rounds will last 15 minutes with each player dealing twice if time allows – we will strictly limit each round to 15 minutes. We will play 4 rounds then take a 15-minute break before playing the final three rounds.

Snacks will be provided, and soft drinks/water will be available for \$1 each. Little Flower Euchre Rules will be handed out when you register. Questions? Contact Chris Johnson (317) 513-8168 or johnsojc@iupui.edu.



What is RCIA?

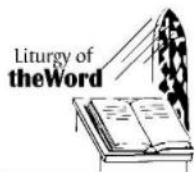
The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the process established for the universal Church for individuals to become Catholic and receive the sacraments of initiation-Baptism, Confirmation, and the Eucharist. This initiation process also involves the parish community experiencing a renewal in faith as it prepares and welcomes new members into the Church. The Rite speaks of conversion as a "spiritual journey." Centered on fostering a deep relationship with Jesus and the Church he founded, this journey takes place through distinct stages over a period of time suitable to bring about a thorough catechesis, significant experience of the parish community, and commitment to the liturgical and moral life of the Catholic faithful. The RCIA process is a restoration of the ancient catechumenate, arising within the first three centuries following the era of the apostles. It was the early Church's way of Christianizing the pagan Roman Empire. The Second Vatican Council called for the restoration and use of this venerable and powerful method of initiation for the worldwide Church.



This year we will continue to offer our annual back-to-school blessing for students beginning new academic years. We will welcome all elementary school students in addition to our high

school and college students, and those who have entered or are entering training in trade programs. We will offer this blessing at all Masses on the weekend of July 29 and 30.

Please try to make this a priority for your family.



Readings for July 22 and 23
16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Wisdom 12:13, 16-19
 Romans 8:26-27
 Matthew 13:24-43

To read the readings on-line, go to

<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/072323.cfm>

HELP NEEDED!

The Little Flower Ladies Club needs some help for the 2023-2024 year. We are in need of a First Vice Chairperson, a Membership Chairperson, and a person who will be in charge of coordinating the fall Mum sale. If you have any questions, or are interested in helping out, please contact Amy Clegg at amy.clegg@att.net or (317) 223-6850.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

JULY 17-21, 2023

6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

- **Open to children entering pre-4 to 4th grade this fall.**
- **Sign-up sheets for pre-registration are at the Church doors or call the parish office.**
- **Sign up now so we know how many to plan for!!!**
- **Registration will begin at 6 p.m. on Monday, July 17 in the school cafeteria. The rest of the week we will begin at 6:30 p.m.**
- **Cost \$15 per child, or \$40 for a family of three or more.**
- **Family Ice Cream Social on Friday, July 21 at 8:00 p.m. in the school cafeteria.**
- **Financial aid is available. Please contact Lisa if you need help. We want all children to be able to participate.**

- New friends • Crafty crafts • Super-fun games
- Yummy snacks • Surprising adventures • Incredible music
- God Sightings • Meeting Saints • Bible Memory Buddies

IT'S NOT TOO LATE! CALL THE PARISH OFFICE ON MONDAY TO LET US KNOW YOU ARE COMING!

Call the Parish Office at 317-357-8352 or email Lisa Gibbons at lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org.



39th Annual Wedding Anniversary Mass

The Marriage & Family Life Office invites all couples married sacramentally within the Catholic Church to celebrate the joy of their vocation at a Mass celebrated by Archbishop Charles C. Thompson on Sunday, August 27, at 2:00 p.m. at St. Peter and Paul Cathedral in Indianapolis. The Mass will include a blessing for the renewal of nuptial commitment and a certificate of recognition will be awarded to couples who celebrate their sacramental marriage. There is no cost to attend, but space is limited, and registration is required. You may register online at <https://www.archindy.org/marriageandfamily/ministries-weddingcelebration.html>. The registrations closes on August 5. After Mass, there will be a reception with the Archbishop at the Assembly Hall from 3 - 5 p.m. It includes heavy appetizers, music, and the opportunity to greet the Archbishop. For more information: Contact Claudia Corona in the Marriage & Family Life Office at CCorona@archindy.org or call (317) 236-7310

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT AT LITTLE FLOWER

Meet your neighbors, celebrate the neighborhood, enjoy a free light supper, visit the food trucks, enjoy live music and games, and get some free school supplies! There will be loads of fun for everyone!

TUESDAY, AUGUST 1

6:00pm-7:30pm

Little Flower Catholic Church/School

1401 N. Bosart Ave

in the parking lot

Inclement weather location: School cafeteria

See a fire truck and police car up close
and meet our neighborhood IFD and
IMPD members.

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