

Dear Parish Family,

The parish staff and I want to wish all mothers a blessed and happy Mother's Day. Mother's Day is a day to celebrate our mothers or our memories of our mothers.

Congratulations to our ten high school students who received the Sacrament of Confirmation

from Archbishop Thompson on Thursday, May 1, at Sts. Peter & Paul Cathedral:

Naomi Baeza  
Sophia Cougan  
Juan Gonzales  
Malachi Gordon

Andrew Kennedy  
Frances McGinley  
Azaylia Slye

Kemberly Valencia  
Elise Weimer  
Joscelyn Winters

Special thanks to Michele Rosenblum and Rachel Shaffer who spent this entire year preparing them for confirmation. Also, special thanks to Tom Costello, Rachel Shaffer, and Mark Shaffer, Rachel's father, who were the Music Ministers for Confirmation. Little Flower was one of six parishes who celebrated Confirmation that evening.

This past weekend, Little Flower students brought the stage to life with a heartwarming and high-energy production of *Descendants: The Musical*. With a cast and crew of 53 students in grades 5 through 8, the show was a true celebration of talent, teamwork, and storytelling.

Based on the popular Disney Channel movie franchise, *Descendants* follows the children of famous villains as they navigate new friendships, second chances, and the journey of discovering who they truly are. With themes of identity, acceptance, and the power of choosing good, the production reminded us all that we do not have to follow in anyone's footsteps — we can be the heroes of our own stories.

From vibrant performances to behind-the-scenes magic, each student played a vital role in making the show an unforgettable experience for our school community. We are so proud of their dedication and are already looking forward to next year's performance of *Frozen*.

Special thanks to Miss Brandi Carruthers, Little Flower's music teacher, who directed and choreographed *Disney's Descendants*. She spent countless hours on this production. Also, thanks to all the other staff and parents who assisted.

Unfortunately, during the Saturday evening performance, some young people got into cars that were unlocked. They also threatened one of our high school students who was dropping off clothes for St. Vincent de Paul as they tried to steal his wallet, keys, and phone. Fortunately, the police were able to catch them rather quickly. My reason for mentioning this is to remind you never to leave your car unlocked when you are here at Little Flower or anywhere else for that matter. Also, never leave items exposed in your car even if the car is locked.

Thank you for all the positive responses to the announcement of Fr. Jude's appointment as Administrator of Little Flower and Our Lady of Lourdes. Your positive responses were very heartening to me.

Have a wonderful week.

fr. Bob

## MASSES For The Week

For the Week of May 12 - 18, 2025

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| <b>12 May</b> | <b>Monday</b>   |
| 5:30 p.m.     | Art Meier   |
| <b>13 May</b> | <b>Tuesday</b>  |
|               | No Mass   |
| <b>14 May</b> | <b>Wednesday</b>  |
| 11:00 a.m.    | Bernie Wessler by Charlie & Pauline Graf                            |
| <b>15 May</b> | <b>Thursday</b>   |
| 9:30 a.m.     | Bobbie Lawless by Marie Martin & Theresa Madden                     |
| <b>16 May</b> | <b>Friday</b>   |
| 10:00 a.m.    | Brian McGinley Funeral  |
| <b>17 May</b> | <b>Saturday</b>   |
| 5:00 p.m.     | For the People  |
| <b>18 May</b> | <b>Sunday</b>   |
| 9:30 a.m.     | Bobby Leszcynski by Chris & Michael Risch                           |
| 6:00 p.m.     | An Gorta Mor (The Great Hunger in Ireland) by Patrick & Beth Murphy |

## THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

May 11 - 18, 2025

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP
<b>Sunday</b>	Blood Pressure Check after all Masses		
	Church	9:00 a.m.	Liturgical Choir
	Church	9:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy
	Duffey Hall (School Café)	10:30 a.m.	Mother's Day Breakfast
<b>Monday</b>	Duffey Hall (School Café)	7:00 p.m.	Festival Meeting
<b>Tuesday</b>			
<b>Wednesday</b>	Church/PC	11:00 a.m.	Adventuresome Group
	In Front of Church	3:00 p.m.	Blood Drive
	St. Therese (Parish Center)	5:00 p.m.	SVDP
	St. Patrick (Parish Center)	7:00 p.m.	Parish Council
<b>Thursday</b>	St. Therese (Parish Center)	1:00 p.m.	Bible Study
	Duffey Hall (School Café)	6:30 p.m.	PPS Meeting
	St. Therese (Parish Center)	8:00 p.m.	AA
<b>Friday</b>	St. Therese (Parish Center)	4:00 p.m.	Legion of Mary
<b>Saturday</b>	St. Patrick (Parish Center)	7:00 a.m.	Men's Prayer Group
<b>Sunday</b>	Church	9:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy
	Duffey Hall (School Café)	10:30 a.m.	Coffee & Donuts

## STEWARDSHIP CORNER

### Your Gifts of Treasure

Weekly Budget Goal	\$ 13,300.00
Collection of May 3 and 4	\$ 10,253.00
Electronic Contributions 4/28-5/2	\$ 7,201.70
Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Actual	\$ 597,376.38
Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Budget	\$ 585,200.00
Fiscal Year 2024-2025 YTD	\$ 12,176.38

### Home Improvement Fund

March Contributions	\$ 2,308.00
April Contributions	\$ 2,085.00
May Contributions (to date)	\$ 1,186.00



**SAVE THE DATE:** Our semi-annual Blood Drive will be on **Wednesday, May 14** from 3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. This year the bloodmobile will be in the circular drive in front of the Church. **In order for this to be a successful drive we need at least 15 donations.** For the past several years, we have not met our goal for the number of people donating blood. It

would be great if we met our goal this year and to do this, your help is needed. **As always there is a great need for blood donors. Donors will receive a free tee shirt!!** Please prayerfully consider giving the gift of life and helping us reach our goal. **REMEMBER** When you give blood you give someone another chance to ride a bike, go out to eat, play with their child, attend church, and to live!! Schedule your donation at: <https://donate.indiana.versiti.org/donor/schedules/zip> Please contact Peggy Clegg at [pclegg@littleflowerparish.org](mailto:pclegg@littleflowerparish.org) or 317-357-8352 if you have any questions.



### 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Pictorial Directory!

Please help us develop a complete directory by having your photo taken. There is no cost to you unless you order additional pictures.

All households photographed will receive a complimentary copy of the completed directory and a free 8x10 portrait.

### SCHEDULE YOUR SITTING ONE OF THREE WAYS:

1. Sign up after Masses this weekend, May 10-11.
2. Go to [www.littleflowerparish.org](http://www.littleflowerparish.org) and follow the link to schedule your photograph session.
3. Call the parish office at 317-357-8352 during office hours.

## PEW REFINISHING PROJECT DEADLINE APPROACHING

As Father Bob prepares to end his 22 years as pastor/administrator of Little Flower, and as the parish begins the celebration of its 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, we are in the undertaking a project to refinish the pews in our church.

Countless people have been in and out of these pews during the 62 years since they were last professionally refinished. In addition, the constant cleaning after every Mass when we reopened church during Covid had a negative effect. Today there is no way to match the quality of the pews, so it seems refinishing is the answer.

There is also a recognition component with this project. All details are available at the link on [littleflowerparish.org](http://www.littleflowerparish.org) <http://www.littleflowerparish.org/get-involved-and-give-back/pew-refinishing-project/>

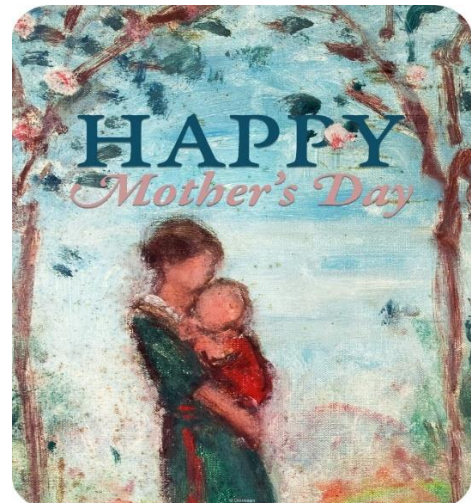
All donations, regardless of amount, will be appreciated. If you have misplaced your forms, everything is available at the link above. If you misplaced your original envelope, please place donation in an envelope marked "pew refinishing project" and mail it to 4720 E. 13<sup>th</sup> Street, 46201 or place it in the weekend collecton.

**Amount raised as of 5/04/2025 \$72,739.63**

We are hoping to raise \$80,000 to \$100,000 from donations.

**We hope to close out the fund-raising portion of this project by May 15.**

The **Adventuresome Group** will meet on **Wednesday, May 14, following the 11:00 a.m. Mass in the Parish Center.** This month we will be playing games! Please call Jeannie in the Parish Center, 317-357-8352, if you plan on attending. Feel free to bring a friend. The more the merrier!!





*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, Charlotte Allstatt, Tricia Allstatt, Fr. Mike Barton, Marylyn

Blackwell, Esther Capps, Joe Clegg, Mark Clevenger, Dennis Debruhl, Dan Dugan, Sherri (Ruegamer) Dugger, Joanna Estes, Forestal Family, Carol Freeland, Olivia Garrison, Haydee Gloria, Margie Greene, Mary Lou Hoggatt, Lois Irwin, Carrie Jones, John Jones, Bob Lawless, Karen Lientz, Maximus Lopez, Larry Lynch, Tom McAndrews. Catherine McKenna-Sexton, Sally Meth, Gene Miller, Carol Murphy, Jimmy Murphy, Mike Payne, Mary Alice Pogue, Ray Quinn, Bill Rathz, Judy Rathz, Scott Rhinehart, Lourdes Riedeman, Gary Walters, Eileen Walters, Janet Wilkerson, Sr. Lucia Christi Zetzel.

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:

**Margaret Brown**  
**726 Caryle Place, 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 in Tokyo, Japan – nephew of Rita Cooning.

**Aden S. Haigerty**, United States Navy, serving at Naval base Kitsap in Bangor, Washington – nephew of Mike Haigerty.

**Javier Estrada** – United States Navy, serving in AAMDS Poland. son of Liliana Estrada, grandson of Martin and Shannon Estrada.

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

**Juan Santiago** - United States Army at Fort Riley, Kansas, son of Velma Cecilio and brother of Edgar Santiago.

**Zach Meyer**, Marine Reserve in South Bend, son-in-law of Dave and Dora Hughey.

**Ian Carter**, serving in the United States Navy in Oak Harbor, WA, great nephew of Pauline and Charlie Graf.

**Lexi Robertson**, Navel Submarine Base Kings Bay, GA., granddaughter of Barb Bruce

**Riley Allstatt**, serving at the San Diego Marine Basic Camp, son of Mark and Christa Allstatt and grandson of Dave and Charlotte Allstatt.

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](mailto:pclegg@littleflowerparish.org).

### **Weekend Mass Attendance (weekly averages)**

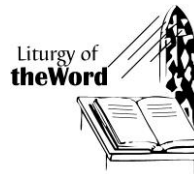
December 2019 – February 2020 (pre-pandemic)	608
June 2020 – May 2021	249
June 2021 – May 2022	434
June 2022 – May 2023	483
June 2023 – May 2024	497
June 2024 – April 2025	503
May 2025 (thru May 4)	558
Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday	934
First Communion Weekend	694

## **MOTHER'S DAY**

*Breakfast*  
*Please join us*

**77<sup>th</sup> Mother's Day Breakfast hosted by Men's Club**

All women of the parish **21 years old and over** are invited to the Mother's Day Breakfast on **Sunday, May 11, after 9:30 Mass in Duffey Hall**. Doors open at 10:30 a.m. and breakfast is served at 11 a.m. Please start your Mother's Day off with breakfast on us!



### **READINGS FOR THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**May 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>**

Acts 14:21-27

Revelation 21:1-5a

John 13:31-33a, 34-35

To read the readings on-line, go to

<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/051825.cfm>



*I AM WITH YOU*  
*always until the end of the age*

**Matthew 28:20**



# FESTIVAL NEWS

## Summerfest 2025 – “Cheers to 100 Years”

**May 30 – June 1**

Permit #002626

The next leadership meeting is Monday, May 12 at 7:00 p.m. in the cafeteria.

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### PLAN TO GET YOUR WRISTBAND

Once again this year, those attending the festival will be required to purchase \$10 in coupons prior to admittance to the grounds. These coupons can be used as cash any place on the festival grounds. However, parishioners can bypass this requirement by securing and wearing one of our special festival wristbands. If you have and wear this wristband, you can come and go as you please all weekend without the need to purchase tickets.

You may obtain this wristband for yourself, for members of your family, or for friends after Masses on May 17/18 and May 24/25, or at the parish office beginning on Monday, May 12, 9 a.m. until 3 p.m., Monday thru Friday. Please plan ahead and get your wristband...and find out who among your family and friends will attend so you can get one for them. We do ask that you not pick up wristbands for others unless you are sure they will be attending.

### SILENT AUCTION

**DONATE** - Contact Elizabeth Mann (463-206-5196 or [edeputy1@yahoo.com](mailto:edeputy1@yahoo.com)) if you can donate! Handmade items, gift cards/certificates/services in value over \$25, season tickets for local sports or arts, timeshare/vacation weeks, unopened or “like new” household items – all these options are a great addition to our auction.

**REGISTER** - Register now for this year’s auction at [www.lfway.cbo.io](http://www.lfway.cbo.io). The auction will be on display at Summerfest, but all bidding will occur via the mobile/online platform. Visit the site now to preview items that will be in this year’s auction. New items added daily.

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**Tip Board Donations** – If you are willing and able to donate a higher-end bottle of spirits to be raffled off with our tip boards, please contact Kurt Schnell at 317-340-4640 or [zimmfan67@gmail.com](mailto:zimmfan67@gmail.com)

### SET UP

We need help with booth assembly and set up. Please mark your calendars for Saturday, May 25 at 9 a.m. and Thursday, May 30 at 6 p.m. Please bring a drill and/or an 8-foot step ladder if you can.

### TIP BOARDS

If you are willing and able to donate a higher-end bottle of spirits to be raffled off with our tip boards, please contact Kurt Schnell at 317-340-4640 or [zimmfan67@gmail.com](mailto:zimmfan67@gmail.com).

### USED BOOK SALE

Donate your used books to the festival! You may bring your donations to the Parish Center during regular office hours (9 a.m. to 3 p.m. M-F).

# Garden Bench Raffle

## *Little Flower Summerfest 2025*

The Little Flower Men's Club and the Little Flower Middle School students recently handcrafted and custom built six full size garden benches during the 2024-2025 school year.

Three one-of-a-kind benches will be raffled off at Summerfest, while three benches will remain on the LF campus.

All proceeds will go directly to Little Flower parish.



**Drawing 3pm  
SUNDAY 6/1**

**1st Prize:** your choice  
of the 3 benches

**2nd Prize:** pick from  
remaining 2 benches

**3rd Prize:** last bench

**BENCHES WILL BE ON DISPLAY  
AND TICKETS AVAILABLE FOR  
PURCHASE AFTER ALL MASSES  
MAY 10-11, MAY 17-18, MAY 24-25,  
OR ALL 3 DAYS AT SUMMERFEST**

### **TICKETS:**

1 for \$5

5 for \$20

30 for \$100

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

# Little Flower Catholic School Spirit Night

Tuesday, May 13th, 2025 • 5 pm – 8 pm

A portion of tonight's mobile orders will be donated to support Little Flower Catholic School.

**MUST use the APP  
to order. Dine-in,  
Carry Out or  
Drive Through**



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