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At-Large Member	Rick Markins

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Mass Saturday: 5:30 PM
Sunday: 9:00 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

SCHOOL 317-353-2282

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

Thursday 5:00 p.m. to 5:20 p.m. or by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Please contact the parish office to schedule your child's baptism. 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?

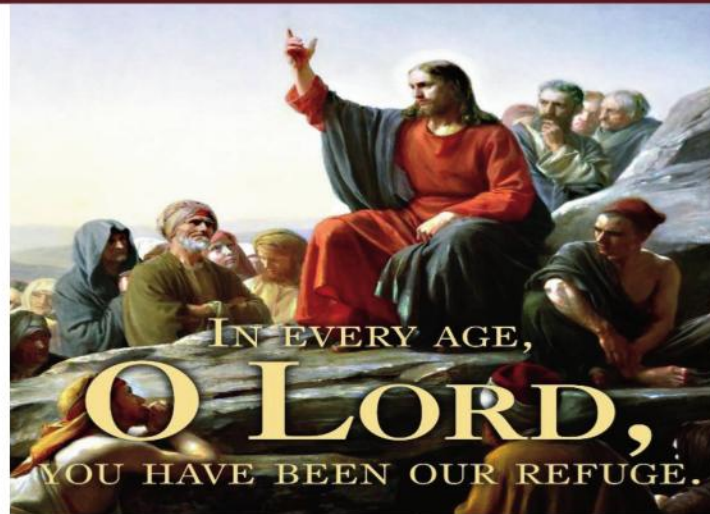
Inquiry Classes begin in September as part of the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA). Call Parish Center for information.

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.



For the Week September 8 - 14, 2025

9	September	Tuesday
	8:30 a.m.	Anthony (Tony) Cento by Consuelo Quiroz
11	September	Thursday
	5:30 p.m.	Souls in Purgatory by John T. Kelly
13	September	Saturday
	5:30 p.m.	In Thanksgiving of 100 Years
14	September	Sunday
	9:00 a.m.	Catherine Oechsli Bowron by Patricia Bowron
	6:00 p.m.	For the People

Stewardship Corner

Your Gifts of Treasure

Weekly Budget Goal	\$	13,350.00
Collection of August 30 and 31	\$	5,183.21
Electronic Contributions 8/25-8/29	\$	3,138.10
Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Actual	\$	115,010.85
Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Budget	\$	120,150.00
Fiscal Year 2025-2026 YTD DEFICIT	\$	- 5,139.15

Home Improvement Fund

June Contributions	\$	2,222.00
July Contributions	\$	2,132.00
August Contributions	\$	2,195.00

The Adventuresome Group will meet on **Wednesday, September 10 at 11:30 a.m.** in the Parish Center. Please plan on joining us for lunch and games and bring a friend. If you plan on coming, please call the parish center, 317-357-8352.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

September 7 - 14, 2025

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP
Sunday	Church	9:00 a.m.	Children's Liturgy
	Duffey Hall (school café)	10:00 a.m.	Coffee & Donuts
	New Parishioner Registration after all Masses.		
Tuesday	St. Patrick (Parish Center)	6:00 p.m.	100 th Anniversary Planning Committee
	St. Therese (Parish Center)	7:00 p.m.	OCIA
	Church	7:00 p.m.	Choir
	Duffey Hall (school café)	7:00 p.m.	Cultural Fest Planning Committee
Wednesday	St. Patrick (Parish Center)	11:30 a.m.	Adventuresome Group
	St. Therese (Parish Center)	5:00 p.m.	SVDP
	St. Patrick (Parish Center)	7:00 p.m.	Parish Council
	Duffey Hall (school café)	7:00 p.m.	PPS
Thursday	Duffey Hall (school café)	7:00 p.m.	Little Flower Athletic Meeting
	St. Therese (Parish Center)	8:00 p.m.	AA
Friday	St. Therese (Parish Center)	4:00 p.m.	Legion of Mary
Saturday	Gym	6:30 p.m.	100 th Anniversary Gala
	Blood Pressure check after all Masses.		
Sunday	Church	9:00 a.m.	Children's Liturgy
	St. Therese (Parish Center)	3:30 p.m.	Confirmation Prep



We extend our sympathy to *Rick Fischer and his family* on the death of Rick's wife and Maddie's and Molly's mother, **Michelle Fischer**, who passed away on August 27 and whose funeral liturgy was celebrated here on September 4. Michelle was a woman of great faith, a member of the Parish Life Commission, Welcoming Committee, and a Eucharistic Minister. Please keep all of Michelle's family and friends in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. May God grant Michelle eternal life.

Weekend Mass Attendance (weekly averages)

December 2019 - February 2020 (pre-pandemic)	608
June 2024 - May 2025	505
June 2025	506
July 2025	446

July Averages per Mass

5:30 p.m.	116
9:00 a.m.	178
6:00 p.m.	152

August 2025	539
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August (to date) Averages per Mass

5:30 p.m.	143
9:00 a.m.	226
6:00 p.m.	170



READINGS FOR NEXT WEEKEND THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

September 13th and 14th

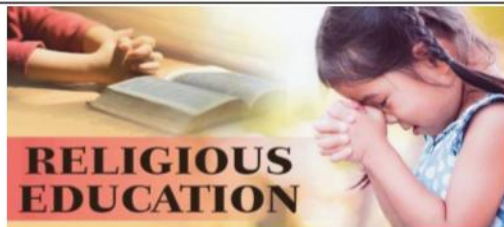
Numbers 21:4b-9

Philippians 2:6-11

John 3:13-17

To read the readings on-line, go to

<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/091425.cfm>



We are currently enrolling for our Religious Education Program for children attending public schools. We offer classes for grades kindergarten through 8th. **Classes will begin September 28.** We will meet most Sundays from 10:00-11:00 a.m. Please call Lisa at 317-357-8352 ext. 105 or email lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org, if you have any questions, or would like to register.

Save the Date!

Saturday, September 27 - Annual Parish Feast Day and Parish Appreciation

Mark your calendars to attend the Parish Appreciation dinner in Duffey Hall following the 5:30 p.m. Mass. All are invited!

ATTENTION ALUMNI!

On Saturday, November 1 we will host the annual Little Flower School All-Class Reunion. Reserve this date and please pass the word to Little Flower School Alumni! Details to follow.



First Eucharist and First Reconciliation

Sacramental preparation for First Eucharist and Reconciliation will begin in the fall for children entering 2nd grade. Children who attend Little Flower School will prepare during school. Watch for more information from school.

If you have a child that is in 2nd grade who attends public schools and needs to be enrolled in our Sacramental Program, please contact Lisa at 317-357-8352, ext. 105 or email lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org to register.

If you have a child in 3rd grade or above who has not made their First Eucharist, please contact Lisa at 317-357-8352, ext. 105 or lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org as soon as possible.

A requirement for First Eucharist is to be a baptized Catholic and a member of our parish. If your son or daughter has not been baptized in the Catholic Faith, please contact the parish center for more information. Generally speaking, at least one parent of a child being presented for Baptism must be Catholic.



Register now to hear Dr. Ray Guarendi at the Right to Life of Indianapolis Celebrate Life Dinner, September 25

Do you want to restore a love of life in Indianapolis? Mark your calendars for the upcoming Celebrate Life Dinner! Join Right to Life of Indianapolis on Thursday, September 25 at the Indianapolis Marriott Downtown for the Annual Celebrate Life Dinner.

Keynote speaker will be Dr. Ray Guarendi, Dr. Guarendi is a father of ten, clinical psychologist, author, professional speaker, and national radio & television host. His radio show, "The Dr. Is In" can be heard on over 440 stations and SiriusXM® channel 130. His EWTN television series, "Living Right With Dr. Ray" is aired in 140 countries. Dr. Ray has given over 3,000 talks on various topics including parenting, marriage, family and faith.

Registration is \$125 per person, tables of 10 available for \$1,250. Register online at www.rtlindy.org, or call the Right to Life of Indianapolis office (317) 582-1526 to make your reservation over the phone.

PEW REFINISHING UPDATE

You may have noticed that two rarely used pews have been removed from the area in front of the choir. The company who will be refinishing the pews has taken those pews and plans to stain them with two different stains that will complement the stains use on our altar furnishings. They will return them to us after they stain them so we will have an opportunity to see which stain we prefer.

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.:

September 17
 October 8, 15, and 29

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@iu.edu.

100th Anniversary Merchandise is Available!

It's finally here! We know many have been waiting to purchase 100th Anniversary gear, and now is the time! We are having an online sale beginning now, and going through September 14. Use the link below for the merchandise site.

<https://www.itsazshirt.com/lf100years/shop/home>



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, Paul Commiskey, Dennis Debruhl, Dan Dugan, Sherri (Ruegamer) Dugger, Joanna Estes, 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, Catherine McKenna-Sexton, Sally Meth, Gene Miller, Carol 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:

Mary Lou Hoggatt

10219 Shallowbrook Ct, Indianapolis, IN 46229

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 Lilitana 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.



Please join the Little Flower Ladies Club for their annual Fall Fashion Show on **Sunday, September 21** at 2 p.m., Cynthia's Hallmark Boutique (Greenfield).

Order forms for tickets are available at each of the Church doors. \$20 per ticket includes a FREE gift, appetizers, door prizes, and valuable in-store coupons.

Please drop off your order form and payment in the collection basket or at the parish center by **September 15**. Extra tickets will also be available at the door of Cynthia's on the day of the event. Let's make our 100th Anniversary the biggest year for this special event.



It may seem early, but Thanksgiving and Christmas will be here before you know it. Planning meetings for our Thanksgiving Blessing Bags and Christmas Giving Tree will begin soon. If you are interested in helping with these ministries, please contact Peggy Clegg: pclegg@littleflowerparish.org or 317-357-8352 x106. Thank you!



COME JOIN US !

If you missed our first session please join us on Tuesday, September 9, from 7 – 8:30 p.m.
Our topic is The Gift and Call of Faith.

If you have any questions, please call Lisa at 317-357-8352 ext. 105, or email lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org

Thanks to Carol Wehlage for agreeing to be our new coordinator for Blood Pressure Checks. We are now in need of people willing to help with them on the second full weekend of every month. We currently have three people, but it would be great if we could have a few more to assist us in this endeavor. If you are able to check blood pressures and would like to help in this ministry, please contact Peggy Clegg at 317-357-8352 x106 or pclegg@littleflowerparish.org.

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SAT 20TH 12:00PM - 10:00PM

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	RICHENS/TIMM ACADEMY OF IRISH DANCE
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PURCHASE TICKETS
WWW.CIRCLECITYIRISHFESTIVAL.COM
520 STEVENS ST, INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46203

Euchre Tournament

Fatima Event Center and Council #3228 will host a Euchre Tournament on Friday, September 19, 2025. Registration will begin at 6:00 PM with play to begin at 6:30PM. Cost is \$10 per person. A full list of game rules will be presented before the start of play. Registration is open now. To register or for more information, contact GK Tony Pappas at 317-281-5023. No outside food and drink will be permitted. We are looking forward to a fun, competitive evening of card playing. This event is open to members and non-members alike. Hope to see you there!



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