

# ST. THERESE - LITTLE FLOWER

## ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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### 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.

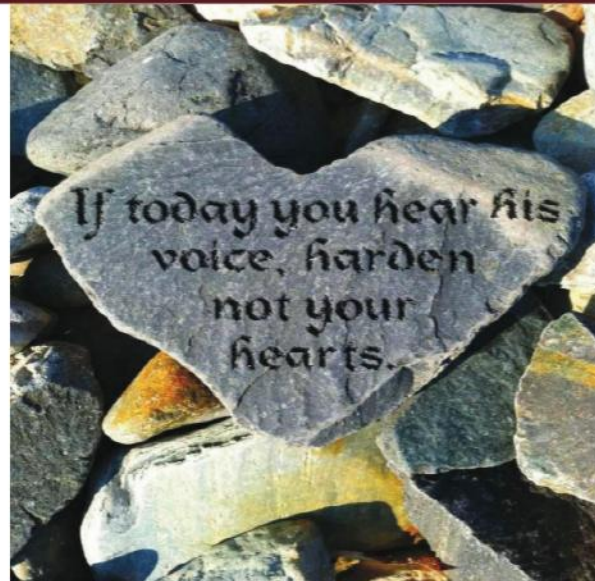
### PARISH REGISTRATION

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](mailto:lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org) by noon on Monday.





## Masses For The Week



For the Week October 6 - 12, 2025

07	October	Tuesday
	8:30 a.m.	Pat Clements by Bridge Club
09	October	Thursday
	5:30 p.m.	Intentions of Sydney Deiwert by Amy Garner
11	October	Saturday
	5:30 p.m.	Mary Burks by Jerry & Joan Bullock
12	October	Sunday
	9:00 a.m.	Bobbie Lawless by The Bear Cousins
	6:00 p.m.	For the People

### ANNUAL LITTLE FLOWER SCHOOL ALL-CLASS REUNION

Saturday, November 1 is the date for our annual Little Flower School all-class reunion. We encourage as many of our school alumni as possible to join us for this event. The reunion will begin with optional school tours at 4:45 p.m. in the school cafeteria, followed by 5:30 p.m. Mass, and dinner at the Indianapolis Marriott on East 21<sup>st</sup> Street. School alumni, plan now to join us. RSVP to the parish center at 317-357-8352 by October 27 with your name, class year, and guest name. You may also send your reservation information to [lfalumni@yahoo.com](mailto:lfalumni@yahoo.com).

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

## THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

October 5 - 12, 2025

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP
Sunday	Church	9:00 a.m.	Children's Liturgy
	Duffey Hall (school café)	10:00 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts
	School	10:00 a.m.	Religious Ed
	New Parishioner Registration after all Masses		
Monday	Classroom B05	6:30 p.m.	Bible Study
	Duffey Hall (school café)	7:00 p.m.	PPS Meeting
Tuesday	St. Therese (Parish Center)	7:00 p.m.	OCIA
	Church	7:00 p.m.	Choir
Wednesday	St. Patrick (Parish Center)	11:30 a.m.	Adventuresome Group
	Front of Church	3:00 p.m.	Blood Mobile
	Duffey Hall (school café)	6:30 p.m.	Euchre
Thursday	St. Therese (Parish Center)	1:00 p.m.	Bible Study
	St. Therese (Parish Center)	4:00 p.m.	Legion of Mary
	St. Patrick (Parish Center)	6:30 p.m.	Baptism Meeting for First Communion
	Duffey Hall (school café)	7:00 p.m.	Little Flower Athletic Meeting
Saturday	St. Therese (Parish Center)	8:00 p.m.	AA
	Church	6:30 p.m.	OCIA Church Tour
	Blood pressure check after all Masses.		
Sunday	Church	9:00 a.m.	Children's Liturgy
	Duffey Hall (school café)	10:00 a.m.	Coffee & Donuts





**Did you know** that about 75% of Americans reaching the age of 72 will need donated blood within their lifetime; 97% will have a loved one who will need blood. You can help by donating blood at our

upcoming **Blood Drive** on **Wednesday, October 8 from 3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.** The Bloodmobile will be in front of church. Our goal is to have 20 donors! Please consider being one of our 20 donors. You may sign up to donate at:

[https://donateblood.versiti.org/donor/schedules/drive\\_schedule/11614957](https://donateblood.versiti.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/11614957).

If you have any questions, please contact Peggy Clegg: [pclegg@littleflowerparish.org](mailto:pclegg@littleflowerparish.org) or 317-357-8352 x106.



We extend our sympathy to *Bill and Judy Rathz* and to *Angie Mackell* on the death of Bill's sister and Angie's

aunt, **Peggy Welch**. We also extend our sympathy to *Joyce Wyne* on the death of her mother and **Amy Costello's** grandmother, **Carolyn Moran**, who recently passed away. Please keep all of Peggy and Carolyn's families and friends in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. May God grant Peggy and Carolyn eternal life.



The **Adventuresome Group** will meet on **Wednesday, October 8 at 11:30 a.m.** in the parish center. This month some of our 8<sup>th</sup> grade students will be joining us for lunch. Following lunch we will decorate pumpkins. Please call the parish center, 317-357-8352 if you plan on attending. Feel free to bring a friend!



## 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.

### 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](mailto:johnsojc@iu.edu).

### Weekend Mass Attendance (weekly averages)

December 2019 - February 2020 (pre-pandemic)	608
June 2024 - May 2025	505
June 2025	506
July 2025	446
August 2025	539

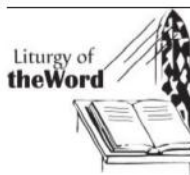
#### August (to date) Averages per Mass

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

September 2025 (thru 9/28) 518

#### September (to date) Averages per Mass

5:30 p.m.	140
9:00 a.m.	216
6:00 p.m.	162



### READINGS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

#### 28<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

#### October 11 and 12

2 Kings 5:14-17  
 2 Timothy 2:8-13  
 Luke 17:11-19

To read the readings on-line, go to

<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/101225.cfm>



**Stewardship Corner****Your Gifts of Treasure**

Weekly Budget Goal	\$	13,350.00
Collection of September 27 and 28	\$	5,583.15
Electronic Contributions 9/22-9/26	\$	2,590.57
Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Actual	\$	169,884.11
Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Budget	\$	173,550.00
Fiscal Year 2025-2026 YTD DEFICIT	\$	- 3,665.89

**Home Improvement Fund**

July Contributions	\$	2,132.00
August Contributions	\$	2,195.00
September Contributions	\$	2,216.00



Halloween is right around the corner! Your help is needed to make the parish **Halloween Bash** on Friday, **October 31 from 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.** a success. **Donations of individually wrapped candy treats are requested. Please leave your donation at the parish center, at school, or in the collection containers that will be available at the church doors beginning next weekend.** Also, if you are willing to help with the Halloween Party, please contact Peggy Clegg at [pclegg@littleflowerparish.org](mailto:pclegg@littleflowerparish.org) or 317-357-8352 x 106. We need people to help with setting up, tearing down, passing out candy, assisting with games, and working in the kitchen.



**COME JOIN US!**

Please join us on Tuesday, October 7, from 7 – 8:30 p.m. in the parish center.

Our topic is The Holy Spirit.

If you have any questions, please call Lisa at 317-357-8352 ext. 105, or email [lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org](mailto:lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org).



*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, 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, Eileen Walters, Gary Walters, 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:

**Thomas and LaVretta Long**  
**9809 E 17<sup>th</sup> St, 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 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).**





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