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ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

4720 E. 13th Street Indianapolis, Indiana 46201

www.littleflowerparish.org

*Celebrating 100 years
of our beloved school*



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

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Mass Saturday: 5:30 PM
Sunday: 9:00 AM
Weekdays: Tue. 8:30 a.m., Thurs. 5:30 p.m.
Holy Days: Check inside the bulletin.

Communion Services

Check inside the bulletin.

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. 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 June 15 - 21, 2026

16 June	Tuesday
8:30 a.m.	Pauline Shikany by Bill & Peg Beikes
18 June	Thursday
5:30 p.m.	John Bruce by Barbara Bruce
20 June	Saturday
5:30 p.m.	For the People
21 June	Sunday
9:00 a.m.	- Brian McGinley by the McGinley Family - Donald Burnell - Jim Clifford by the Clifford Family - Thomas Dant by the Gordon Family



Come to VBS!

Little Flower Vacation Bible School 2026

Mark Your Calendars!

July 20-24, 2026

6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Children entering Pre-4 to 4th grade in the fall of 2026.

We need volunteers for VBS!!!

Please contact Lisa at 357-8252 ext. 105, or email

lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

June 14 - 21, 2026

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP
Sunday	Duffey Hall (school café)	10:00 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts
Monday	Duffey Hall (school café)	6:30 p.m.	Men's Club
Tuesday	St. Patrick (Parish Center)	6:30 p.m.	Little Flower Neighborhood Assoc.
Wednesday	St. Therese (Parish Center)	5:00 p.m.	SVDP
Thursday	St. Therese (Parish Center)	1:00 p.m.	Bible Study
	St. Therese (Parish Center)	4:00 p.m.	Legion of Mary
	St. Therese (Parish Center)	8:00 p.m.	AA
Sunday	Duffey Hall (school café)	10:00 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts

FOX59 Meteorologist to address Catholic Business Exchange

Brian Wilkes, the chief meteorologist for FOX59, will address the June Catholic Business Exchange. His topic will be: 100% Chance of Fun.

The event is Friday, June 19, at the Liter House, 5301 Winthrop Avenue, Indianapolis. Mass is offered at 7am and the program will be finished by 9am. Cost for the program includes a great breakfast and is \$20 in advance for members and \$25 for non-members. Registration is required by 4pm, Tuesday June 16. To register, pay online and for more information, visit www.catholicbusinessexchange.org.



As of the printing of this bulletin, we are still expecting a couple of invoices from vendors and anticipating additional funds coming in from the silent auction. Check back next week for the estimated festival profit!

Stewardship Corner**Your Gifts of Treasure**

Weekly Budget Goal	\$	13,350.00
Collection of June 6 and 7	\$	7,104.90
Electronic Contribution 6/1-6/05	\$	9,445.75
Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Actual	\$	656,859.25
Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Budget	\$	654,150.00
Fiscal Year 2025-2026 YTD	\$	2,709.25

Home Improvement Fund

April Contributions	\$	2,823.51
May Contributions	\$	2,866.51
June Contributions (to date)	\$	1,771.51

Home Improvement/Capital Project Updates

Tuckpointing on front of school and parish center- work to be scheduled for this summer.

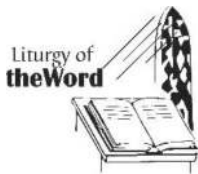
Church exterior doors –electronics complete for ADA door; others to be completed in the near future.

Underground drainage issue in school building – a general contractor continues to research.

Campus lighting - We are evaluating the need for additional lighting throughout.

Church floor refinishing – next section has begun.

Church interior lights – next lights are scheduled.

**READINGS FOR THE 12th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

June 20 and 21

Jeremiah 20:10-13

Romans 5:12-15

Matthew 10:26-33

To read the readings on-line, go to

<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/062126.cfm>

Weekend Mass Attendance (weekly averages)

December 2019 – February 2020 (pre-pandemic)	608
June 2024 – May 2025	505
June 2025 – December 2025	502
January 2026-May 2026	539
June 2026 (through 6/7)	333

June Averages per Mass

5:30 p.m.	132
9:00 a.m.	201

All things are possible with God

please note

Mission Appeal

On the weekend of June 20/21, we will be blessed to welcome Fr. Pradeep P. Abraham, O.S.S.T., to our parish for a Mission Appeal. At each Mass, Fr. Abraham will invite us to support, through our prayers and generosity, the vital work of forming Trinitarian seminarians who are preparing to serve among persecuted Christians around the world.

As we gather freely to worship, many of our brothers and sisters in faith do not share that freedom. Trinitarian priests from India and other countries minister in parts of the Middle East, where openly practicing the Christian faith can place lives at risk, offering the sacraments, spiritual strength, and hope to those who persevere in faith despite fear. In Northeast India, where Christian communities often face hostility, our priests and seminarians nurture small but devoted Catholic communities while also providing education to children and young people, opportunities that help them build a future rooted in faith, dignity, and hope.

Your generosity during this Mission Appeal will directly support these efforts: the formation of seminarians, the care of vulnerable communities, and the mission of bringing God's mercy and redemption to places where it is needed most.

We prayerfully ask you to consider making a donation during our second collection. Checks may be made payable to the parish, designated for the Trinitarian Mission Appeal. Together, let us stand in solidarity with our persecuted brothers and sisters and help keep the light of Christ burning brightly in the darkest corners of the world.



The next **Baptism Preparation Class** is **Monday June 22 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 if you plan to attend. Plan ahead, as the next class will not take place until August.

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



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, Chip Brandt, Esther Capps, Joe Clegg, Mark Clevenger, Dennis Debruhl, Sherri (Ruegamer) Dugger, Joanna Estes, Carol Freeland, Olivia Garrison, Haydee Gloria, Margie Greene, Pauline Graft, Anna Marie Gutierrez, Mary Lou Hoggatt, Margaret Hughel, Lois Irwin, Carrie Jones, John Jones, Bob Lawless, Karen Lientz, Maximus Lopez, Larry Lynch, Catherine McKenna-Sexton, Sally Meth, Gene Miller, Carol Murphy, Mary Alice Pogue, Ray Quinn, Judy Rathz, Scott Rhinehart, Lourdes Riedeman, Eileen Walters, Gary Walters, Janet Wilkerson, Sister Lucia Christi Zetzl.

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:

Louise Loyd

1521 Park Ridge Way, 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.

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.

Alex Oskins, 3rd Class Midshipman at the United States Naval Academy, Annapolis, Maryland, son of Jill Oskins.

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.



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St. Vincent de Paul directly provides new or gently used clothing free to families in our community. We are currently in dire need of children's clothing sizes 2T-youth 18. Your donations would be greatly appreciated.

You can drop them off at our SVdP Distribution Center 1201 E. Maryland Street, Dock Door #3 (South side of the building) 9 a.m.- 3 p.m. Mon.-Sat., or at one of our many blue bin locations. Use our [Blue Bin Locator](#) to find one near you!

On behalf of SVdP and the families we serve, thank you so much.

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SUMMER Intensive

6 PM - 9 PM JULY 27-30

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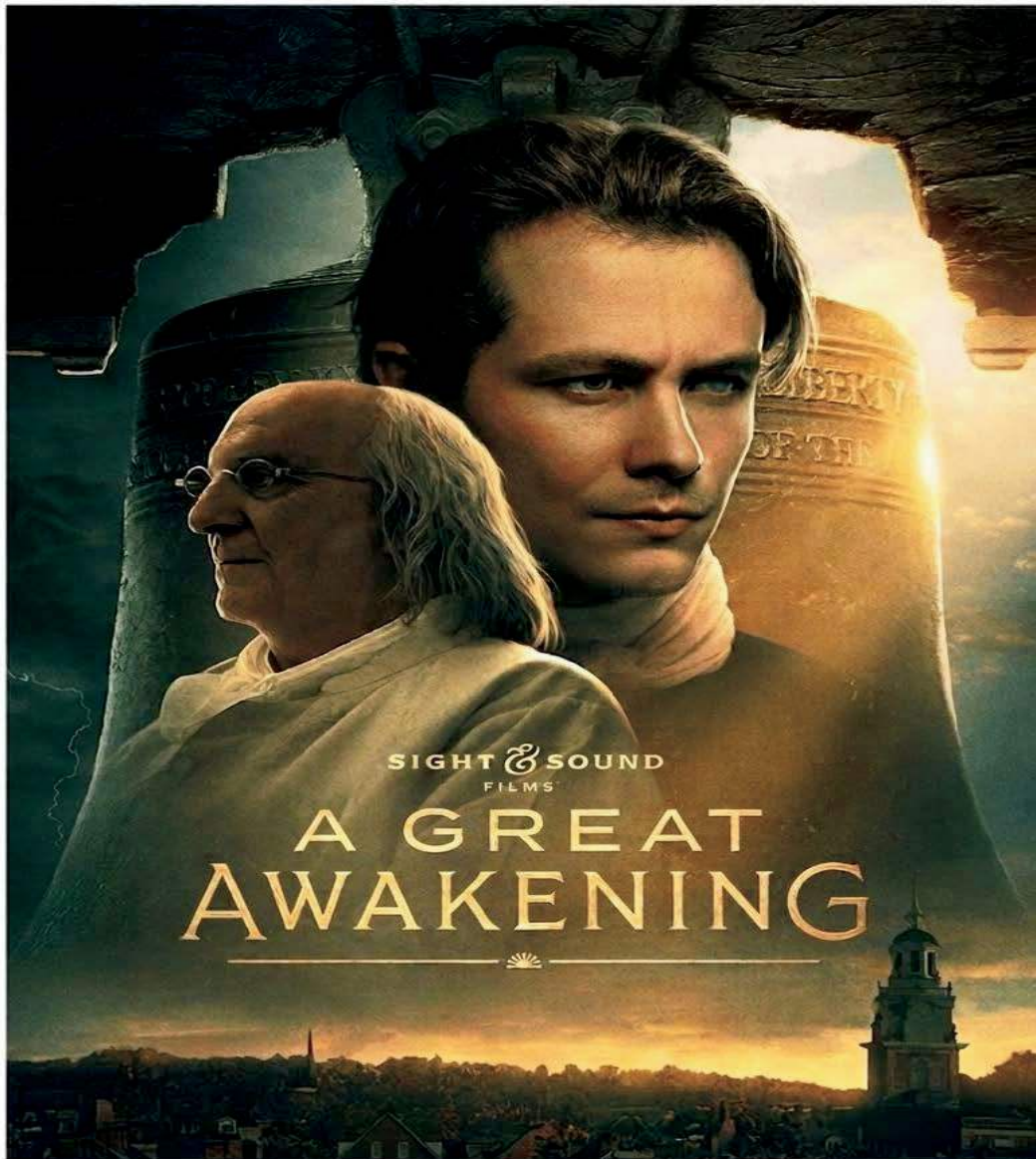
We draw from the richness of our Catholic faith to teach, equip, and activate disciples to share the love of God through the power of the Holy Spirit.

The Summer Intensive is a four-night event that provides a sample of what Year 1 students in our school of ministry experience. Each night runs from 6-9 p.m. and includes a time of praise & worship, two dynamic teachings, activations to practice what you learn, and an opportunity to receive prayer ministry for those who are interested.

This year our Summer Intensive returns to Christ the King Catholic Church in Indianapolis and will take place July 27-30. People can register for all four nights, or individual nights. There is an early registration discount until July 1 as well as discounts for clergy, parish employees, and young adults.

In honor of America's 250th anniversary, We are having a showing of
"A Great Awakening," a 2026 historical drama.

The film tells the true story of the unlikely friendship between British evangelist George Whitefield and founding father Benjamin Franklin. It highlights the 18th-century "Great Awakening"—a massive religious revival that swept through the American colonies—and explores how this spiritual transformation unified the nation before the Revolution. Come join us!



July 2nd, Little Flower Cafeteria

Doors open @ 6:30pm

Movie Starts @ 7:00pm

Please RSVP to Kurt Schnell at zimmfan67@gmail.com
or call the parish office at 317-357-8352

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