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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

5:00 PM Saturday:

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

Monday - Friday 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM 317-357-8352 Fax 317-357-5 OFFICE HOURS: PARISH CENTER 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,

Our annual Halloween Party will be on Tuesday, October 31, from 6 to 8 p.m. Candy donations are still being accepted. You may drop your candy off at the parish office or the school office on Monday or Tuesday. Please see the flyer for more details. This party is one of the ways Little Flower reaches out to the neighborhood.

On Wednesday, November 1, we will celebrate the Solemnity of All Saints, a Holyday of Obligation. On All Saints Day, we remember and give thanks for the special people in our lives who have died and who are now with God. There will be an all-school Mass at 9:30 a.m. and the Mass of Remembrance at 6:00 p.m.

Our Mass of Remembrance is important for the families who have lost family members this past year, but it is also important for us as a parish. At this Mass, we support families of parishioners who have lost loved ones, but we also remember and celebrate the lives of so many individuals who were an important part of our parish. Therefore, I invite and strongly encourage you to attend to help us remember our deceased parishioners and your own deceased family members and friends.

Thursday, November 2, is the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed, commonly called All Souls Day. On this day, we pray for all the faithful departed who may need our prayers. There will be an all-school Mass at 9:30 a.m. and an evening Mass at 5:30 p.m. All Souls Day provides us another opportunity to pray for our beloved dead. Historically, the month of November, especially All Souls Day, was a traditional time for visiting the graves of deceased loved ones.

Both All Saints Day and All Souls Day remind us of the unbreakable bond between us and those who have gone before us in death. We ask all the saints in heaven to pray for us, and we pray for all the souls in purgatory.

The annual All Class Reunion for Little Flower School is this coming Saturday November 4. We are hoping that many alumni will attend. Please see information elsewhere in *The Theresean*. Pass the word along to school alumni. Reservations are due by Monday, October 30. At this year's dinner, we will honor Cindy Werner Woods, Class of 1963, Joe Meyer, Class of 1982, Angie Rathz Mackell, Class of 1983, and Drew Torzewski, Class of 1994.

Because of the All-Class reunion, there will be no confessions on Saturday, November 4.

Several people have asked me if I have heard anything about the missing (stolen) relic of St. Therese. I have not. Unfortunately, I doubt that I will. Please pray to St. Therese for its return

Daylight Savings Time ends this coming Sunday, November 5, at 2:00 a.m. Therefore, please do not forget to move your clocks back one hour before you go to bed on Saturday night, November 4.

Have a wonderful week.

fr. Bob



We remember our former parishioner, Leo Evans, who passed away on August 11 and whose funeral liturgy was celebrated here on October 21. We extend our

condolences to Mary and Joe Shaler on the death of Mary's brother, Larry Wills II, who passed away on October 19 and whose funeral liturgy was celebrated here on October 27. Please keep all of Leo's and Larry's family and friends in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. May God welcome Leo and Larry into his eternal glory.





Our annual Mass of Remembrance will be on Wednesday, November 1, at 6 p.m. During this special liturgy, we remember by name those members of the Little Flower community who have died in the past year. There will also be an opportunity to remember other loved ones who have died recently. If you would like to have a candle lit in remembrance of someone not buried from here in the past year, please arrive by 5:50 p.m. and write their names on the list that will be available at each door.

Thanksgiving Blessing Bags As previously announced, the Thanksgiving Blessing Bags are available for pickup in church

Blessing Bags are available for pickup in church this weekend and will be available until all 100 bags have been distributed.

Simply purchase each of the items on the list included with the bag and return your filled bag

to church on the weekend of November 11/12 or to the parish office by Monday, November 13.



Mass Intentions

For the Week of October 30 – November 5, 2023

30 October Monday

5:30 p.m. Fr. Bill Rippberger

31 October Tuesday

No Mass

01 November Wednesday - All Saints Day

9:30 a.m. For the People

6:00 p.m. Cathy & Jack Mears by Rhonda & Tom

Gerding

02 November Thursday - All Souls Day

9:30 a.m. John Zetzl, Sr. by Mary Rancourt

5:30 p.m. For the People

03 November Friday

DAX

No Mass

04 November Saturday - The Vigil of the 31st Sunday in

Ordinary Time

5:00 p.m. For the People

05 November Sunday -The 31st Sunday in Ordinary

Time

9:30 a.m. Christy Deal

DOOM

6:00 p.m. Jim Priller by Gerald St. Amand & the

Priller Family

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

October 30 – November 5, 2023

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP		
Sunday	Church	9:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy		
	Duffey Hall (School Cafe)	10:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts		
	School	10:30 a.m.	Religious Ed		
Monday	Duffey Hall (School Cafe)	6:30 p.m.	Bible Study- Jesus & the Eucharist		
Tuesday	Duffey Hall (School Cafe)	6:00 p.m.	Halloween Bash		
Wednesday	All Saints Day				
	Church	6:00 p.m.	Mass of Remembrance		
	St. Patrick (Parish Center)	7:00 p.m.	School Commission		
Thursday	St. Therese (Parish Center)	1:00 p.m.	Thursday Formation Group		
	Duffey Hall (School Cafe)	7:00 p.m.	Ladies Club		
	St. Therese (Parish Center)	8:00 p.m.	AA		
Friday	St. Therese (Parish Center)	4:00 p.m.	Legion of Mary		
Saturday	St. Patrick (Parish Center)	7:00 a.m.	Men's Prayer Group		
	Church	3:30 p.m.	1st Saturday Devotions		
	Duffey Hall (School Cafe)	4:15 p.m.	School Tours		
	Off-Site	6:00 p.m.	All Class Reunion		
	New Parishioner Registration after all Masses.				
Sunday	Church	9:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy		
	Duffey Hall (School Cafe)	10:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts		
	School	10:30 a.m.	Religious Ed		
	St. Therese (Parish Center)	3:30 p.m.	Confirmation Prep		



Our next session will be on **Tuesday, November 7, at 7 p.m. in the parish center.** Our topic will be *Who's who in the Catholic Church.* Please join us.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Your Gifts of Treasure

Weekly Budget Goal	\$ 13,200.00
Collection of October 21 & 22	\$ 5,154.20
Electronic Contributions 10/16-10/20	\$ 8,967.49
Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Actual	\$ 211,910.17
Fiscal Year 2023-24 Budget	\$ 224,400.00
Fiscal Year 2023-24 YTD DEFICIT	\$ - 12.489.83

Home Improvement Fund

August Contributions	\$ 2,380.00
September Contributions	\$ 2,243.00
October Contributions (to date)	\$ 2,193,00

PLEASE NOTE

On the weekend of November 11 and 12 we will observe Intention Sunday for the Archdiocesan United Catholic Appeal: Christ our Hope. Christ our Hope provides year-long support to Archdiocesan ministries that benefit people in all parishes. If you haven't already, you should receive your intention card in the mail soon. Please bring it to church on the weekend of November 11/12. Extras will be available at the church doors.

Please take special care that you do not mistake this for the intention card for parish support. Our parish awareness campaign for stewardship of time, talent, and treasure will take place in the coming months.



ANNUAL LITTLE FLOWER SCHOOL ALL-CLASS REUNION

Saturday, November 5, 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. If you have children who graduated from Little Flower, please share this information with them and encourage them to attend. More details can be found elsewhere in the bulletin.

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 - September 2023 469

All things are possible with God

October 2023 (Thru October 22)

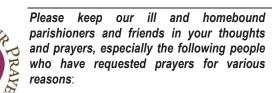
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Make a Difference! DONATE

During the month of October, the Ladies Club is asking for donations of travel sized toiletries for the homeless. There will be baskets at all of the church entrances. Some suggestions are:

- razors
- toothbrushes
- toothpaste
- can openers (smallest available)
- deodorant bar soap
- bar soap containers
- lip balm
- masks

Thank you!



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:

Natalie Isom 2520 S Rockport Rd. Apt 103, Bloomington, IN 47403

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.

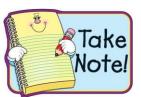
If you or someone in your family is ill or serving our country and would like their name listed in the bulletin so others can pray for them, please contact Peggy Clegg at 317-357-8352 or pclegg@littleflowerparish.org.



All men of Little Flower parish are invited to join a Saturday morning prayer group. These bi-weekly meetings will take place in the parish center from 7:00-8:00 a.m. See parish

calendar for specific dates.

This once long-standing tradition at Little Flower is coming back after several years hiatus. We will read and reflect upon the Sunday scripture passages, followed by open discussion. We hope to strengthen our spiritual lives, while encouraging group fellowship, support, and prayer.



LECTORS will need their new workbooks for the year beginning with the readings of November 25 and 26. Please pick up your copy in the sacristy.



The next **Baptism Preparation Class** is **Monday, November 13 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 you plan to attend. Plan ahead as the next class will not take place until February.



We are still in need of individually wrapped bags of candy for our Halloween Bash. You may bring your candy to the Parish Center or school. Also, if you are interested in helping with the Halloween Bash by either

passing out candy, working in the kitchen, or running a game in the gym please contact Peggy Clegg at pclegg@littleflowerparish.org or 317-357-8352 x 106. Thanks for helping us make Halloween special for all our ghosts and goblins.



Daylight Savings Time Ends the First Sunday in November. Move your clocks back one hour before you go to bed on Saturday, November 4!

ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

Winter Sports are registering now!!!!

- Girls Basketball
- Co-ed Cheerleading
- Wrestling
- Boys Volleyball

Go to orgsonline.com to register now. School Code 165LF-IN. We are looking for Coaches and Volunteers.



As a Church, we are stronger together. The impact of your gift is essential to the people of our archdiocese and the mission given to us by our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!



"My education was funded by the United Catholic Appeal. I could not have done it on my own, I just couldn't have done it. To ensure that that happens, to make sure that people are there to help young men discern and grow in that holiness and happiness, we need the resources of the UCA."

-Fr Eric Johnson, Vicar for Clergy

Scan to see a story about





As you're walking back to your pew, consider that Jesus himself is within you now, the same Jesus who walked the lakeshores in Galilee, and who died on a cross for you. Tell Him your most urgent concerns, even if you are angry, or disappointed. He is near---He couldn't be nearer----and He is listening in love. From *The How-to Book of Catholic Devotions*

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.:

November 8 November 15 December 20

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.



Readings for November 1 Solemnity of All Saints

Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14

I John 3:1-3

Matthew 5:1-12a

To read the readings on-line, go to

https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/110123.cfm

Readings for November 4/5 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Malachi 1:14b-2:2b, 8-10 1 Thessalonians 2:7b-9, 13

Matthew 23: 1-12

To read the readings on-line, go to

https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/110523.cfm



WELCOME / REGISTRATION November 4 and 5

Have you been attending Mass at Little Flower?

Are you considering joining us? If so, we would love for you to become a member of Little Flower Parish!

Please see a friendly parishioner next weekend at the WELCOME TABLE in the gathering area for a registration form. There are also forms available if your address or contact information has changed.

You may also register at www.littleflowerparish.org

Our annual all-class reunion is right around the corner!!

We are inviting all of our alumni to attend. We are also asking that you assist us in encouraging your children, siblings, cousins, friends, and acquaintances who are alumni to attend this special evening.

Details are provided below. Please lend us a hand in spreading the word.

Reservations required by OCTOBER 30.

All Alumni and their guest are invited to our annual **ALL-CLASS REUNION**

Saturday, November 4, 2023

4:15 pm School Tours - Meet in School Cafeteria (enter Door #6)

5:00 pm Mass at Little Flower Church

6:15 pm Social Hour (cash bar) at the Indianapolis Marriott East

7202 E. 21st Street

7:00 pm Complimentary Dinner and Program at the Marriott

This year we will honor the following outstanding alumni:

Cindy Werner Woods, Class of 1963 Joe Meyer, Class of 1982 Angie Rathz Mackell, Class of 1983 Drew Torzewski, Class of 1994

and

The Little Flower Classes of 1953, 1963, 1973, 1983, and 1998

Please R.S.V.P. by October 30, 2023

Call the Little Flower Parish office at 317-357-8352, or send an e-mail to Ifalumni@yahoo.com.

Please send your name, year of graduation, and your guest's name.

Kindly help us spread the word by inviting and encouraging other Little Flower alumni to attend.

You are welcome to attend any part of the evening. To help accommodate guests who would like to be seated together, the dining room will open for seating at 6:35 p.m.

Arrive early for early seating.

Little Flower Halloween Bash!





Games in the gym from 6:00—7:30 p.m.

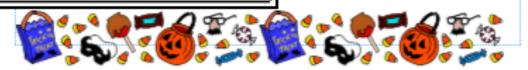
Trick-or-Treating in the basement and on the first floor from 6:00—7:30 p.m.

7:30 p.m. starting in the gym

Hotdogs, drinks, & chips will be served in the cafeteria Tuesday October 31 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Little Flower School



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