ST. THERESE - LITTLE FLOWER ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Mass Saturday: 5:00 PM 9:30 AM, 6:00 PM Sunday: 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?

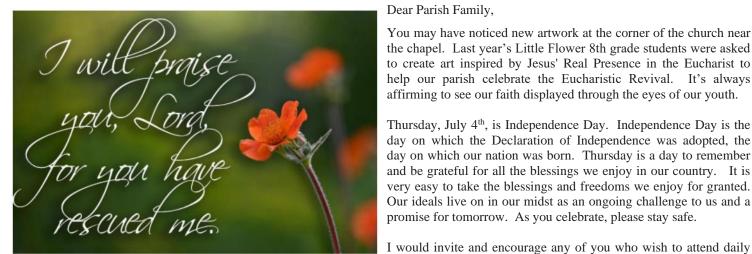
Inquiry Classes begin in late August as part of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). Call Parish Center for information.

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,

You may have noticed new artwork at the corner of the church near the chapel. Last year's Little Flower 8th grade students were asked to create art inspired by Jesus' Real Presence in the Eucharist to help our parish celebrate the Eucharistic Revival. It's always affirming to see our faith displayed through the eyes of our youth.

Thursday, July 4th, is Independence Day. Independence Day is the day on which the Declaration of Independence was adopted, the day on which our nation was born. Thursday is a day to remember and be grateful for all the blessings we enjoy in our country. It is very easy to take the blessings and freedoms we enjoy for granted. Our ideals live on in our midst as an ongoing challenge to us and a promise for tomorrow. As you celebrate, please stay safe.

Mass at Our Lady of Lourdes or Holy Spirit or St. Philip. Their schedules are elsewhere in the Theresean.

Thanks to all the participants and volunteers in Vacation Bible School the week of June 24-28, 2024. Thirty students from Pre K to 4th grade participated in the Bible School. Also, special thanks to all of our volunteers. Workers included adults, teens, and students in grades 5 through high school.

They include: Hannah Comley, Jennifer Dye, Shannon Estrada, Holden Groulik, Kimberly Hall, Abby Estrada, Andrew Hollada, Keeghan Jones, Susan Spilly-Lee, Elizabeth Mann, Mary Mann, Joanne Mages, Caroline Mages, Addy Maxwell, Cece Pertile, Katie Slisz, Joanna Slisz, Hayley Stephens, Amy, Drew, and Paisley Torzewski, Mandie, Jill, and Ellie Wade, and Olivia Young.

Special thanks to Lisa Gibbons who serves as director of Vacation Bible School. The theme of the week was "Scuba diving into friendship with God." The program reminded the children that God is a friend forever.

Wednesday, July 3, is the Feast of St. Thomas the Apostle. Thomas is often called "Doubting Thomas" because of his initial unwillingness to believe in Jesus' resurrection. When Jesus challenged his lack of faith, Thomas responded, "My Lord and my God!" He is associated with the founding of the Church in southern India.

Saturday, July 13, will be the 53rd anniversary of the death of Fr. John C. Riedinger. Fr. John was pastor of Little Flower from 1942 to 1966. He was almost 60 when he was appointed pastor of Little Flower. He retired when he turned 84 although he had suffered a stroke four years earlier. Fr. John was the longest serving pastor of Little Flower. Our beautiful church, which was dedicated on July 8, 1962, was his greatest achievement. What I cannot grasp is that I am now older than Fr. John was when I received my First Communion on May 6, 1956.

Congratulations to our high school and junior high/middle school graduates: **High School:**

- 1. Claire Rochford, former parishioner who graduated from Franklin High School, Franklin, MA. She plans to attend Western New England University.
- Julian Winters who graduated from Perry Meridian High School with academic honors. He will be attending Ivy Tech 2. Community College of Franklin for an accelerated associates program with a focus on medical then will transfer to IU for Radiology.

Junior High/Middle School

- 1. Malachi Gordon graduated from IPS Butler Lab #60.
- 2. Elise Weimer graduated from New Palestine Junior High.
- 3. Joscelyn Winters graduated from Center Grove Middle School.

fr. Bob



Please note – Fr. Bob is on vacation this week. Please see neighboring parish schedules elsewhere in the bulletin.

		For the Week of July 1 - 7, 2024
01	July	Monday
		No Mass
02	July	Tuesday
		No Mass
03	July	Wednesday
		No Mass
04	July	Thursday
		No Mass
05	July	Friday
		No Mass
06	July	Saturday – The Vigil the 14 th Sunday in
		Ordinary Time
	5:00 p.m.	Diane Sharp by Ron Sharp
07	July	Sunday – The 14 th Sunday in Ordinary Time
	9:30 a.m.	Bobbie Lawless by the Freeland Family
	6:00 p.m.	For the People

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

July 1 - 7, 2024						
DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP			
Sunday	Church	9:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy			
8	Duffey Hall	10:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts			
	(school café)	1.2				
Monday		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·				
Tuesday						
Wednesday	St. Therese	5:00 p.m.	SVDP			
0	(Parish Center)					
	St. Therese	7:00 p.m.	School Commission			
43.	(Parish Center)					
Thursday	Happy 4 th of July Parish Office Closed.					
	St. Therese	8:00 p.m.	AA			
	(Parish Center)					
Friday	St. Therese	4:00 p.m.	Legion of Mary			
	(Parish Center)					
Saturday	Church	3:30 p.m.	1 st Saturday Devotion			
	New Parishioner Registration after all Masses.					
Sunday	Church	9:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy			
	Duffey Hall	10:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts			
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Independence Day ESSINGS



Little Flower Catholic School currently has openings for licensed teachers in Fifth Grade and Middle School English/Language Arts. If you are interested, or know someone who is, please send resume and contact information to kgawrys@littleflowerparish.org.



Readings for July 7, 2024 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time Ezekiel 2:2-5 2 Corinthians 12:7-10 Mark 6:1-6 To read the readings on-line, go to https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/070724.cfm



We will soon be running the schedule for August, September, October. Could you please send a list of any dates that you would be unable to serve to the coordinators of each ministry (emails listed below).

- Lectors: please email Katie at katie.leszcynski1993@gmail.com.
- Eucharistic Ministers: please email Ron at duvkote@aol.com.
- Servers: please email Lisa at lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org.

Please look ahead at your calendar as it is much easier to let us know now when you are unavailable than it is for you to try to find a substitute. However, due to an ongoing shortage of ministers, please just give us the dates that you are unable to serve. Several people are asking not to be scheduled for a month or more instead of just providing the weeks they are unable to be here. If there are no dates that you anticipate being away, there is no need to respond. If, however, you have dates to request that you not be scheduled, please respond to the appropriate ministry coordinator no later than the end of day on Monday, July 15, 2024.

WELCOME / REGISTRATION July 6 and 7, 2024

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 registration forms. Forms are also available if your address or contact information has changed. You may also register at www.littleflowerparish.org

Weekday Mass Schedules for Holy Spirit, Our Lady of Lourdes, and St. Philip.

Holy Spirit weekday Masses

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, 8:30 a.m. in the Church (No Mass on Thursday, July 4)

Tuesdays: 6 p.m. in the Chapel (bilingual) Friday, 7:00 p.m. in the Church (Spanish)

Our Lady of Lourdes weekday Masses

Tuesday & Thursday at 6 p.m. Wednesday & Friday at 8:15 a.m.

St. Philip Neri weekday Masses

Tuesdays at 8 a.m. Wednesdays at 6 p.m. (Spanish) Friday at 8:00 a.m.

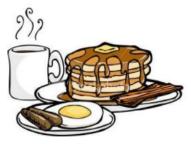
STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Your Gifts of Treasure

Weekly Budget Goal	\$	13,200.00
Collection of June 22 & 23	\$	7,226.00
Electronic Contributions 6/17-6/21	\$	10,549.49
Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Actual	\$	711,240.06
Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Budget	\$	686,400.00
Fiscal Year 2023-2024 YTD		24,840.06
Home Improvement Fund	1	
April Contributions	\$	2,423.00
May Contributions	\$	2,572.75
June Contributions (to date)	\$	2,333.00

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 - December 2023	480
Christmas Mass Attendance	1,027
January- April 2024	500
Easter Vigil/Easter Masses	806
May 2024	537
June 1-23	464



Knights of Columbus Fatima Event Center Located at 1040 North Post Road Knights of Columbus Fatima Council No. 3228 will be serving an All You Can-Eat Breakfast on Sunday, July 7 from 9:00

a.m. to 12 Noon. The cost is \$10.00 for adults, \$5.00 for children under 12, and children under 5 are free. Start your week with a great breakfast.

Little Flower Euchre Nights

Sponsored by the Little Flower Men's Club

Who: Ladies and Gents at least 21 years of ageWhere: Little Flower Parish Center – St. Patrick RoomWhen: The following Thursday nights from 6:30-9:00 p.m.

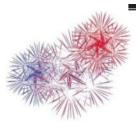
July 11 & 25 August 8 & 22

Little Flower Euchre Rules will be handed out when you register.

Questions – contact Chris Johnson (317) 513-8168 or johnsojc@iupui.edu.



Our beloved parish will be turning 100 in 2025! The executive committee is planning several ways for us to celebrate this milestone. One big event will be our 100th Anniversary Gala! **Save the date – September 13, 2025**. More information to come as plans are confirmed. There are cards at the church doors you may pick up and put on your fridge so you don't forget!



In observance of Independence Day, the Parish Office will be closed on Thursday, July 4.



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, Tricia Allstatt, Fr. Mike Barton, Jane Bell, Merrill & Marylyn Blackwell, Esther Capps, Joe Clegg, Mark Clevenger,

Dan Dugan, Sherri (Ruegamer) Dugger, Joanna Estes, Forestal Family, Carol Freeland, Olivia Garrison, Haydee Gloria, Katie Goodin, Margie Greene, Linda Hedges, Mary Lou Hoggatt, Lois Irwin, Carrie Jones, Bob Lawless, Karen Lientz, Bobby Leszcynski, Larry Lynch, Catherine McKenna-Sexton, Sally Meth, Gene Miller, Carol Murphy, Jimmy Murphy, Mike Payne, Ray Quinn, Bill Rathz, Judy Rathz, Mary Rector, Scott Rhinehart, Lourdes Riedeman, Bill Schlosser, 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:

Bill and Judy Rathz Arlington Place 1635 N Arlington Ave. Indianapolis, IN 46218

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 with Naval Security Forces, Deveselu, Romania – nephew of Mike Haigerty.

Javier Estrada – United States Navy, serving in Dalgren, VA. 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.

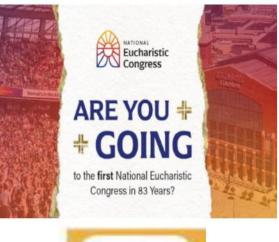
Juan Santiago - United States Army at Fort Riley, Kansas, son of Velma Cecilio and brother of Edgar Santiago.

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

Ian Carter, serving on the Dwight D. Eisenhower Aircraft Carrier in the Persian Gulf, great nephew of Pauline and Charlie Graf.

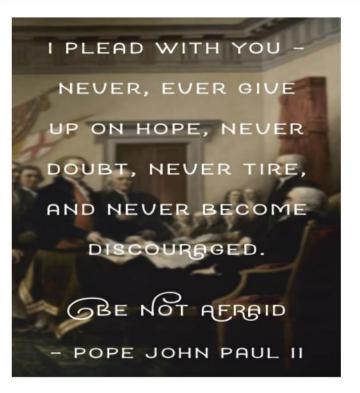
If you or someone in your family is ill or serving our country and would like their name listed in the bulletin so others can pray for them, please contact Peggy Clegg at 317-357-8352 or pclegg@littleflowerparish.org.

July 17-21, 2024





Hope to see you there!



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