

ST. THERESE - LITTLE FLOWER

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Mass Saturday: 5:00 PM
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

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

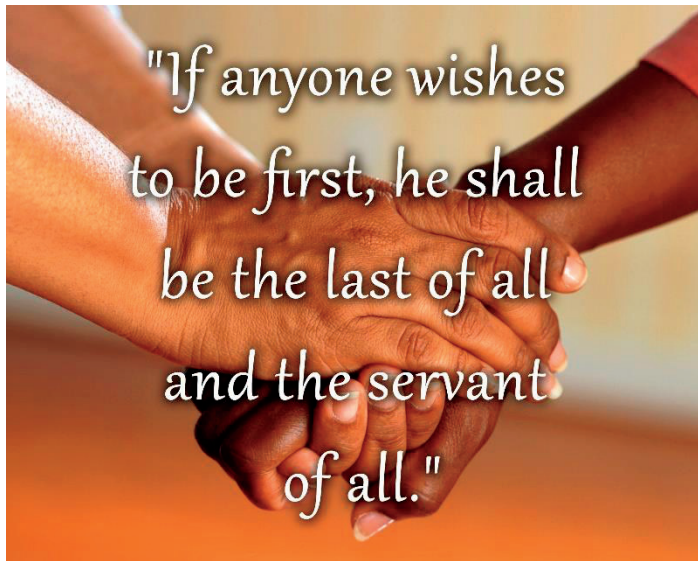
Inquiry Classes begin in late August as part of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). Call Parish Center for information.

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,

Next weekend Fr. Joby Puthussery will deliver the homily at all the Masses. He will be asking for your prayers and financial support for the mission Archdiocese of Imphal, Manipur, his home Archdiocese. He is currently the pastor at Sacred Heart Clinton, & St Joseph's Rockville, IN. Please be as generous as possible. He will also celebrate the 5:00 p.m. Mass on Saturday and the 9:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday and hear confessions on Saturday afternoon.

Days 3-7 of the Little Flower Novena will take place Monday through Friday at 5:30 p.m. Each day will consist of the novena prayers, a reading, and Holy Communion.

Our Sunday Religious Education program for Kindergarten through 8th grade for students who attend public schools is starting this Sunday, September 22. Please pray for these children, their catechists, and their parents and families as they grow closer to Jesus.

Have a wonderful week.

fr. Bob



NOVENA CONTINUES THIS WEEK!

One tradition that has lasted almost from the beginning of the parish is the **Annual Novena to St. Therese**. The novena will

continue this week on Monday (Day 3), September 23, and will be held each weekday in church at 5:30 p.m. The service will consist of novena prayers, a reflection, and a Communion Service. The Solemn Closing of the Novena (day 9) will take place on Tuesday, October 1, at 5:30 p.m. and will include Benediction instead of a Communion Service.

We will celebrate the Feast of St. Therese at all the Masses on the weekend of October 5 and 6.

The Youth Group will meet this Sunday, September 22, in the cafeteria immediately following the 6:00 p.m. Mass. The Youth Group is open to all high school students. Join the fun and bring a friend!



Please welcome into our Christian community Bennett Cade, son of Grant and Kelsey (Erlenbaugh) Otten and Griffin James, son of Joseph and Courtney (Erlenbaugh) Parker, baptized on Sunday, September 1, 2024.

Masses For The Week



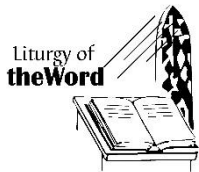
For the Week of September 23-29, 2024

- 23 September Monday**
5:30 p.m. Little Flower Novena & Communion Service
- 24 September Tuesday**
5:30 p.m. Little Flower Novena & Communion Service
- 25 September Wednesday**
5:30 p.m. Little Flower Novena & Communion Service
- 26 September Thursday**
5:30 p.m. Little Flower Novena & Communion Service
- 27 September Friday**
9:30 a.m. In Commemoration of St. Vincent DePaul by Little Flower SVDP Society
5:30 p.m. Little Flower Novena & Communion Service
- 28 September Saturday – The Vigil the 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
5:00 p.m. Paul Tuttle by Family & Friends
- 22 September The 26th Sunday in Ordinary time**
9:30 a.m. John Bruce by Family & Friends
6:00 p.m. For the People

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

September 22 - 29, 2024

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP
Sunday	Church	9:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy
	Duffey Hall (school café)	10:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts
	Parking Lot		Kickball Classic
	Duffey Hall (school café)	7:00 p.m.	High School Youth Group
Monday			
Tuesday	School (Stem Lab)	5:30 p.m.	Chess Practice
	Duffey Hall (school café)	6:30 p.m.	Bible Study
	St. Therese (Parish Center)	7:00 p.m.	OCIA (formerly RCIA)
	Church	7:00 p.m.	Choir
Wednesday	St. Therese (Parish Center)	5:00 p.m.	SVDP
Thursday	Off Site	1:00 p.m.	Bible Study
	Duffey Hall (school café)	6:15 p.m.	First Communion Parent Meeting
	St. Therese (Parish Center)	8:00 p.m.	AA
Friday	St. Therese (Parish Center)	4:00 p.m.	Legion of Mary
Saturday			
Sunday	Church	9:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy
	Duffey Hall (school café)	10:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts
	Duffey Hall (school café)	10:30 a.m.	Religious Ed
	St. Therese (Parish Center)	3:00 p.m.	Confirmation Prep



Readings for September 29, 2024

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Numbers 11:25-29

James 5:1-6

Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

To read the readings on-line, go to

<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/092924.cfm>



Saturday, October 5 Annual Parish Feast Day and Parish Appreciation

Mark your calendars to attend the Parish Appreciation dinner in Duffey Hall following the 5:00 p.m. Mass. All are invited!

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-June 2024	469
August 2024	501
September 1 - 15	499



COME JOIN US!

Please join us on Tuesday, September 24, from 7 – 8:30 p.m.

Our topic will be "The Bible."

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

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Your Gifts of Treasure

Weekly Budget Goal	\$ 13,300.00
Collection of September 7 and 8	\$ 6,361.11
Electronic Contributions 9/9-9/13	\$ 3,194.24
Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Actual	\$ 142,078.68
Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Budget	\$ 146,300.00
Fiscal Year 2024-2025 YTD DEFICIT	\$ - 4,221.32

Home Improvement Fund

July Contributions	\$ 2,378.00
August Contributions	\$ 2,650.75
September Contributions (to date)	\$ 1,985.00



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, 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, Mary Lou Hoggatt, Lois Irwin, Carrie Jones, Bob Lawless, Bobby Leszcynski, Karen Lientz, Beccah Lowe, 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:

Ellen Corriden
166 Albany Way, Beech Grove, 46017

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.

Lexi Robertson, basic training at Great Lakes Naval Base, 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.

September Has Five Sundays!

The St. Vincent DePaul (SVDP) conference helps neighbors seeking assistance in our area with rent, utilities, household goods, food and clothing.

We perform these deeds solely with donations.

The fifth Sunday of a month has a special envelope for donations dedicated to SVDP. Online donations are also possible (anytime) with this QR code.



Please prayerfully consider your ability to assist.

SAVE THE DATE!

ATTENTION ALUMNI!

On Saturday, November 2 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.



... Location ...
Cynthia's Hallmark
Boutique
1584 N. State St.
Greenfield, IN 46140

\$20.00
Ticket Includes:
Free Piece of Jewelry
Appetizers
Door Prizes



SAVE THE DATE: Our semi-annual **Blood Drive** will be on **Wednesday, October 9, from 3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.** This year the bloodmobile will be in the parking lot of the school. In order for this to be a successful drive we need at least 15

donations. As always there is a great need for blood donors. Please prayerfully consider giving the gift of life and helping us reach our goal. **REMEMBER** When you give blood you give someone another chance to ride a bike, go out to eat, play with their child, attend church, and to live!!

Schedule your donation at:

<https://donate.indiana.versiti.org/donor/schedules/zip>

Please contact Peggy Clegg at:

pclegg@littleflowerparish.org or 317- 357-8352 x106 if you have any questions.

Knights of Columbus

Fatima Event Center Located at 1040 North Post Road

Fatima Council's **Dinner with the Knights** will be on **Monday, September 23**, at 6:30 p.m. featuring **Chicken Marsala** and **pasta** with a salad and a dessert. The cost is \$10.00 for adults, \$5.00 for children 5 -12, and children under 4 are free. Please join us for a great evening.

First Reconciliation & First Eucharist Program

Sacraments for children in 3rd through 8th grade

Any Catholic child, who has not made their First Eucharist or Reconciliation, and are in grades 3rd through 8th, **please contact Lisa in the parish office by October 2** so that we can set up classes to prepare for the sacraments.

If you need a translator, contact Mary at the school office, at 317-353-2282.

Celebrate!

PRIESTHOOD SUNDAY

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2024

WHAT IS PRIESTHOOD SUNDAY?

Priesthood Sunday is a special day set aside to honor priesthood in the United States. It is a day to reflect upon and affirm the role of the priesthood in the life of the Church as a central one. This nationwide event is coordinated and sponsored by the US Council of Serra International.



*You cannot be half a saint.
You must be a whole
saint or no saint at all
St. Thérèse of Lisieux*

Little Flower Catholic Church invites you to Movie Night



October 4th, 2024

Little Flower Parking Lot*

Meet at 7pm Movie starts at 7:30pm

Free Popcorn & Candy

***In the event of bad weather it will be moved to the cafeteria Door 6.**

Scan the QR code to Reserve your family's FREE Space today!!





Little Flower Parish FEAST DAY and Appreciation Celebration

PLEASE
JOIN US!

In a spirit of thankfulness and celebration for your ongoing gifts of time, talent, and treasure, Fr. Bob and the staff of Little Flower request the presence of you and your family at a special dinner for all parishioners.

The purpose of this meal is to celebrate everything that is great about Little Flower—
YOU!



~SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5~

~DUFFEY HALL~

**IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING
5:00 P.M. FEAST DAY MASS**

**Dinner will be provided, so you
don't need to bring anything!**

**R.S.V.P. to the Parish
Center**

**317-357-8352, ext.103 or
jzimmerman@littleflowerparish.org
by September 30.**

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