

ST. THERESE - LITTLE FLOWER

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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,

Although the Feast of St. Thérèse was on October 1, as a parish, we are celebrating her Feast at all the Masses this weekend. Likewise, our Parish Appreciation Dinner is this Saturday, October 5, after the 5:30 p.m. Mass. This dinner is our “thank you” for your generous gifts of time, talent, and treasure that help make our parish the wonderful faith community that we all enjoy.

Tuesday, October 1, was her feast day. This is the third date for her feast. Her feast was originally on September 30, the anniversary of her death in 1897. From 1927-1969, her feast day was on October 3. One of the reasons for this date was because October 1 was not available because of the then current liturgical calendar. One website suggested that it was moved to October 1 because of an ancient custom of celebrating a saint’s entry into heaven on the day following their death.

St. Thérèse was named a Doctor of the Church by St. Pope John Paul II on October 19, 1997.

If we believe in God’s providence, we believe that God’s providence is at work during this month’s synod. The Second Session of the Synod began this past Wednesday, October 2, and will end on Sunday, October 27. Please pray every day, through the intercession of St. Thérèse, for the Holy Spirit to enlighten the minds and hearts of all the Synod participants. Please keep informed about the Synod through *The Criterion* and other Catholic news sources.

Monday, October 7, is the Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary. The Rosary is one of the principal devotions to the Blessed Virgin Mary. When those of us who are older were growing up, there were three sets of mysteries: the Joyful, Sorrowful, and Glorious Mysteries. St. Pope John Paul II added the Luminous Mysteries: the Baptism in the Jordan, the Wedding at Cana, the Proclamation of the Kingdom, the Transfiguration, and the Institution of the Eucharist.

Friday is the feast of St. Pope John XXIII. Pope John was elected Pope at the age of 78. Because of his age, he was expected to be a caretaker of the Church. However, it was he who convened the Second Vatican Council which lasted from 1962 to 1965. The Second Vatican Council opened on October 11, 1962. Pope Francis was 76 when he was elected Pope.

Finally, next weekend please welcome Fr. Jim Farrell who will celebrate all the Masses. I will be in Cincinnati to witness the marriage of Anna Tropf, my first cousin twice removed. In other words, her great-grandmother was my aunt, and her grandmother was my first cousin. For those who may remember my mother, Anna’s great-grandmother, Julia McNally, lived with my mother. Please pray that I will have a safe trip.

Have a wonderful week.

fr. Bob

Loving
IN Memory

We remember our parishioner, **Denis Moriarty**, who passed away on September 25 and whose funeral liturgy was celebrated here on October 4. Denis

was 95 years old and a very faithful Catholic. He was a parishioner at Little Flower since 1962. We extend our sympathy to *Charlie Bauerle* on the death of his sister, **Charlotte Huber**, who recently passed away. Please keep all of Denis’ and Charlotte’s family and friends in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. May God grant Denis and Charlotte eternal life.

Do small things
with great love
St. Thérèse of Lisieux



For the Week of October 7 - 13, 2024

- 07 October Monday**
5:30 p.m. Jean Bultman by Scott Gary
- 08 October Tuesday**
5:30 p.m. Deceased Members of the Hawkins Family by Robert and Mary Rancourt
- 09 October Wednesday**
11:00 a.m.. Linda Hedges by Ron Sharp
- 10 October Thursday**
9:30 a.m. Patrick Murphy and Anne Shelvin by Patrick and Beth Murphy
- 11 October Friday**
No Mass
- 12 October Saturday – The Vigil the 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
5:00 p.m. Helena Rikke by Jim and Tricia Simon
- 13 October The 28th Sunday in Ordinary time**
9:30 a.m. In Memory of Florence and Ralph Zimmer for their 81st Wedding Anniversary
6:00 p.m. For the People



COME JOIN US!

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

Our topic will be *The Holy Trinity & Who is Jesus Christ*.
If you have any questions, please, call Lisa at 317-357-8352 ext. 105, or email lgibbons@littleflowerparish.org



Little Flower Ladies Club 2024 Fashion Show
Sunday
November 3, 2024
2:00 p.m.

... Location ...

Cynthia's Hallmark Boutique
1584 N. State St.
Greenfield, IN 46140
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\$20.00

Ticket Includes:
Free Piece of Jewelry
Appetizers
Door Prizes

Order forms are at the doors of the Church.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

October 6 - 13, 2024

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP
Sunday	New Parishioner Registration after all Masses.		
	Church	9:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy
	Duffey Hall (school café)	10:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts
	School	10:30 a.m.	Religious Ed
	St. Therese (Parish Center)	3:30 p.m.	Confirmation Prep
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.	RCIA
	Church	7:00 p.m.	Choir
Wednesday	Church/PC	11:00 a.m.	Adventuresome Group
	Blood Mobile	3:00 p.m.	Blood Mobile
	St. Therese (Parish Center)	5:00 p.m.	SVDP
	St. Patrick (Parish Center)	6:30 p.m.	100 th Anniversary Executive Meeting
Thursday	Off Site	1:00 p.m.	Bible Study
	Church	3:00 p.m.	Server Training
	St. Patrick (Parish Center)	6:00 p.m.	Women's AA Workshop
	Duffey Hall (school café)	6:30 p.m.	PPS
		7:00 p.m.	LFAA
	St. Therese (Parish Center)	8:00 p.m.	AA
Friday	St. Therese (Parish Center)	4:00 p.m.	Legion of Mary
Saturday	Church	1:00 p.m.	Eucharistic Minister Training
	Church	3:30 p.m.	Server Training
	Blood Pressure Check after all Masses.		
Sunday	Church	9:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy
	Duffey Hall (school café)	10:30 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts

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 - 22	488

All things are possible with God

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Your Gifts of Treasure

Weekly Budget Goal	\$ 13,300.00
Collection of September 28 and 29	\$ 4,548.40
Electronic Contributions 9/23-9/27	\$ 3,120.23
Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Actual	\$ 165,480.27
Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Budget	\$ 172,900.00
Fiscal Year 2024-2025 YTD DEFICIT	\$ - 7,419.73

Home Improvement Fund

July Contributions	\$ 2,378.00
August Contributions	\$ 2,650.75
September Contributions (to date)	\$ 2,456.00



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:

Brenda Crosley
5505 Yucatan Dr, Indianapolis, IN 46237

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, Naval Submarine Base, New London, CT., 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.

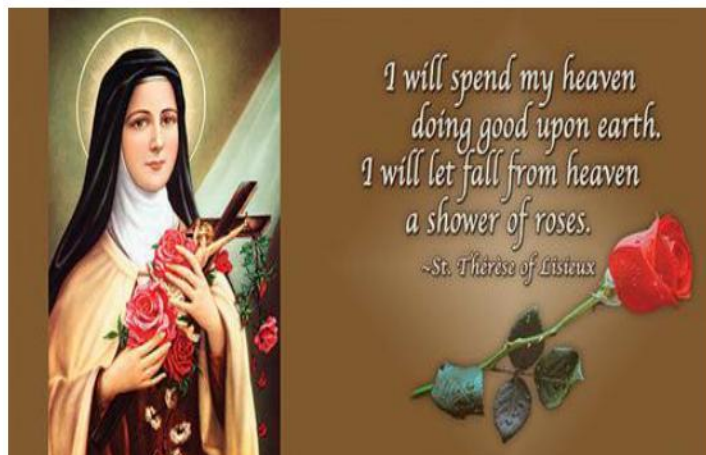
ANNUAL LITTLE FLOWER SCHOOL ALL-CLASS REUNION

Saturday, November 2 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 4:15 p.m. in the school cafeteria, followed by 5:00 p.m. Mass, and dinner at the Indianapolis Marriott on East 21st Street. School alumni, plan now to join us. RSVP to the parish center at 317-357-8352 by October 28 with your name, class year, and guest name. You may also send your reservation information to lalumni@yahoo.com.



The Adventuresome Group will meet on **Wednesday, October 9, following the 11:00 a.m. Mass.**

This month we will be having lunch and decorating pumpkins. Please bring a friend and join us. Please call the parish center, 317-357-8352, if you plan on attending.





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.



The parish needs your help with a couple of issues regarding Eucharistic Ministers.

- Since we resumed distributing the cup for Holy Communion, we have been using only four cup ministers. Prior to the pandemic we always used six ministers. Only using four cup ministers is causing some congestion as more people decide to resume reception from the cup. We really need to return to six ministers to make the distribution of communion more efficient.
- We are still experiencing a shortage of Head Eucharistic Ministers. This is especially critical at the Sunday 6:00 p.m. Mass.

We need your help with both of these issues.

An Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion is a person who is baptized and confirmed and living a life in conformity with the Gospel and the laws and teachings of the Catholic Church and who shows reverence and love for the Eucharist.

1. Please consider becoming a Eucharistic Minister if you are not currently serving. We will be having a special training session on Saturday, October 12, at 1:00 p.m. in church, but individual sessions can be arranged if you can't make that time work. **We have a need at all Masses, with the most need at the 6:00 p.m. Mass**
2. If you are currently a minister, please consider becoming a Head Minister. Training will be provided.
3. Most importantly, if you are currently a Minister at the 6:00 p.m. Mass on Sunday, please consider serving as a Head Minister. The current shortage is causing an undue burden on just a few people.

If you can help, please contact Ron Sharp at 317-531-6877, or by E-Mail at duvkote@aol.com.



ARCHDIOCESE OF INDIANAPOLIS
The Church in Central and Southern Indiana

A session aimed at answering these 3 questions:

1. Where are we today?
2. Where is God calling us to be?
3. How will we get there together?

JOIN US

LISTENING SESSIONS

October 30, 6:30 pm
St. Mark the Evangelist, Schafer Hall
535 E. Edgewood Avenue, Indianapolis

or

November 6, 6:30 pm
St. Luke the Evangelist,
Fr. Courtney Reception Room
7575 Holliday Drive, E., Indianapolis

Catholics from across central and southern Indiana are invited to take part in a series of listening sessions that will be part of a pastoral planning process for the Archdiocese of Indianapolis. Members of parishes in the Indianapolis deaneries are especially encouraged to attend.

Archdiocesan leaders have noted that answering these three questions will involve listening, prayerful discernment, and collaborative engagement.

**BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND
“LITTLE STORIES ABOUT THE
EUCCHARIST”**

**October 24, 2024
Little Flower Sanctuary
7:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.**



Join us for an hour of music and moving witness from your fellow parishioners. This is the first in a monthly series “Little Flower’s Little Stories”. Watch the Theresean for details!



**WELCOME / REGISTRATION
This Weekend**

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 this 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

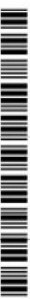


The **Parish Life Commission** will once again host our annual **Halloween Bash on Thursday, October 31, from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.** in the school. There will be games in the gym, hot dogs, chips, and drinks in the cafeteria, trick or treating in the hallways, and the night will end with a costume contest beginning at 7:30 p.m. Your help is needed to make the Halloween Bash 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 317-357-8352 x106 or pclegg@littleflowerparish.org. We need people to help with setting up, tearing down, passing out candy, and assisting with games.



Looking for a new way to let your spouse know you love them in the midst of your jobs, car-pooling the kids, and trying to keep up with your house, pool and yard? Tell him or her they're still Number 1 in your life . . . share a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend with each other. Our last Weekend in 2024 will be at Our Lady of Fatima Retreat House, Indianapolis, November 1-3. Visit www.wwme.org for further information.

Quote from a couple who made a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend: *“Having had over twenty years of marriage behind us, we thought we could learn little and improve little. We learned much, and are still improving.”*





SUNDAYKIDZ



27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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