

Church of the Little Flower

April 7th, 2024

2nd Sunday of Easter



2nd SUNDAY OF EASTER

Thomas answered and said to him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed." - Jn 20:28-29

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"We Remember"

"We Celebrate"

"We Believe"

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Eucharistic Community of the Little Flower is to deepen the relationship of its members with God and with each other; to witness to and, therefore, to reveal Jesus Christ and His Good News to the local and wider communities; and to serve as a model of Catholic Christian community valuing the diversity of backgrounds and sharing the gifts of its varied members.

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Calendar of Events

MASS & SACRAMENTS

SUNDAY MASSES:

Saturday: 5:00pm
 Sunday: 8:00am & 10:30am
 Sunday, Latin Mass: 9:15am
 Liturgy of the Word for Children at 10:30am Mass during the school year

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Monday - Friday: 7:00am
 Saturday: 8:00am
 Holyday Masses: Please check the bulletin for Mass schedule
 Legal Holidays: 9:00am
 School Mass: 8:15am Wednesdays (during school year)

MORNING PRAYER of the LITURGY of the HOURS:

Monday through Sunday: 7:30am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturday: 4:00-4:45pm or by appointment and before every Mass

PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTIONS:

Tuesday: 6:45am (before 7:00am Mass)

ROSARY:

Saturday: 8:30am

ADORATION: Friday: 8:00am-5:00pm

BAPTISMS:

Baptisms are a cause for celebration and may be celebrated with the entire parish at one of the weekend Masses. Parents are asked to complete the preparation sessions prior to scheduling the date for the baptism. Please call the parish office to arrange the sessions. A baptism class will be offered monthly on the second Sunday after the 10:30 Mass.

MARRIAGES:

Arrangements must be made six months in advance.

MASSES WILL BE LIVE-STREAMED

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| Monday 7:00am | April 8 Mass |
| Tuesday 7:00am 10:00am | April 9 Mass Legion of Mary |
| Wednesday 7:00am 8:15am | April 10 Mass Mass |
| Thursday 7:00am | April 11 Mass |
| Friday 7:00am 8:00am-5:00pm | April 12 Mass Adoration |
| Saturday 7:00am 5:00pm 4:30pm | April 13 Mass Mass Rosary in Little Flower Chapel |
| Sunday 8:00am 9:15am 10:30am | April 14 Mass New Latin Mass Mass |

Ministers of Service April 13 & 14 2024

MINISTERS OF SERVICE

04/13 5:00pm ~ T. Sullivan K. Thomason Server Needed
 04/14 8:00am ~ Phil. & Lies. Armbrecht Server Needed
 04/14 10:30am ~ B. Acosta N. & W. Saykes

THE GUILD of MOTHER ERNESTINE

(Sacristan Helpers)

04/13 5:00pm ~ A. Lewis & P. Williams **Team B**
 04/14 8:00am ~ R. Jacknewitz
 04/14 10:30am ~ C. Flottmann

LECTORS

04/13 5:00pm ~ L. Waugh J. Waugh
 04/14 8:00am ~ M. Boyce D. Bello
 04/14 10:30am ~ M. Chauvin K. Koeller

MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY

04/13 7:30pm ~ Volunteer Volunteer
 04/14 8:00am ~ Volunteer Volunteer
 04/14 10:30am ~ Volunteer Volunteer

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

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When you are at Mass, be there as if you were on Calvary.

For it is the same sacrifice and the same Jesus Christ Who is doing for you what He did on the Cross for all human beings. –St. John Baptist de la Salle

In today's Gospel it is proclaimed: "Jesus came, although the doors were locked, and stood in their midst and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe.'"

The resurrection of Jesus was a new experience to the disciples. Even though Jesus had constantly explained to them about his rising from the dead, they were unable to grasp the implication of it. It was not something the disciples of Jesus seem to have anticipated, but now they were confronted with a novel experience of their master. The gospel narrative of today helps them to move from fear to joy, seclusion to mission, absence to presence, disbelief to faith, mere existence to new life. It tells how Jesus breathing on the disciples and giving them the Holy Spirit.

We find three ideas in today's gospel: Spirit to Mission, Seeing to Believing and Not Seeing to Believing. First Jesus gives them Peace, not like the world gives but his own peace. Then he gives them the gift of the Spirit, which coming from the Father and who will teach them everything, and remind them of what Jesus had said. Then he breathes on them and gives them the mission to forgive and love and build the church. Second, we have Thomas who saw and he believed. Jesus offers Thomas his very presence to see but what is significant is that Thomas confesses "My Lord and my God" apparently without placing his hands into Jesus' side. His faith is complete and total. Then the final stage it continues to those of us, those hundreds of thousands who have not seen Jesus and yet believed in him. This has been our faith of not seeing and yet believing. We are all included in such a standard and we have the faith in the risen Lord. The concluding words of John tell us more about the faith. Jesus did many others signs in the presence of His disciples, those not being recorded in the Holy Bible. What has been written is sufficient for us to believe that Jesus came on earth as the Messiah, the Son of God, so that through our believing we may have life in His Name. For it is in the Name of Jesus that we experience our new birth into a living hope, a hope that will never disappoint us.

It has come to my attention that certain people of our Parish who signed up for "food for the poor" had their names used for other charities. I am sorry and did not know or realize this was part of there protocol. I will not have them back to our Parish.

We want to thank all those who made our Easter Triduum Celebrations so magnificent. The music, choir, readers, servers, torch bearers and those who decorated are most appreciated. May God reward you accordingly. -Fr. H



"The community of believers was of one heart and mind, and no one claimed that any of his possessions was his own..."

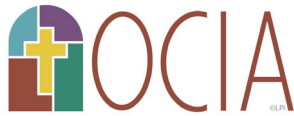
(Acts 4:32)

All that we are and all that we have is a gift from God! Think of your family, your friends, your life, your talents and your money- these are all gifts from God! We aren't really owners of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts God has blessed us with. We are called to be grateful and generous with all our gifts for the benefit of others.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

That we may learn to see all of our blessings as abundant gifts from God so that we may use them for the benefit of all God's people.

Amen



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DISCIPLESHIP AND EVANGELIZATION

Do you take seriously the mandate spoken at the end of every Mass-- "Go and proclaim the Gospel"? Discipleship means following Jesus more closely ourselves. Evangelization is proclaiming Jesus to others and inviting them to follow him. Both are essential to fulfill the mandate.

- How to evangelize? 1. Ask. Ask good questions. Find out what a person's story is.
2. Listen. Really listen.
3. Witness. How you have encountered Jesus in your life.
4. Invite. Invite the person into deeper discipleship in their own lives. Whether the person says a deeper yes to Jesus in that moment or not, the invitation plants a seed. (Let the Holy Spirit continue to make that seed grow.)

Source: Archbishop Rozanski (Spring 2024 The Herald)
Are you interested in joining the Catholic Church? Call Debra at the Rectory 314-645-1445



- II. Kathleen Harkins & Christopher Rose
- II. Caroline Lipic & Jonathan Bundy

The Pro-Life Committee at St Mary Magdalene has extended an invitation to any and all Little Flower Parishioners to join them.

They meet the second Thursday of the month from 6:30-7:30 in the SMM Church basement. This is an active and effective group who would welcome those who want to defend and support women and their unborn babies.



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SAVE THE DATE!

The Run for Life and Learning is June 1!
Benefiting Birthright Counseling, St. Louis

Join us at Creve Coeur Lake on June 1 for a chip-timed 6K Run/Walk, 1 Mile Fun Walk/Run, and ¼ Mile Kids Run with FREDBIRD®. Register or donate at runsignup.com/run4lifeandlearning. Proceeds enable women who are financially stressed by an unplanned pregnancy to continue their education and secure better lives for themselves and their families. For sponsorship opportunities, email run4lifeandlearning@gmail.com.



SAVE THE DATE!

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WILL BE
APRIL 21ST
Hope to see you there!

Have you heard about the Eucharistic Congress that will be held next year?

It will be in Indianapolis on July 17-23rd, 2024. If you want to attend you need to book now. The tickets are selling fast as are hotels in the area. If you are interested, please contact Jackie Waugh at 314-704-6519 or jwaugh123@charter.net. If we have enough people going, we can get a group rate on tickets. But we need to act fast. Thanks for considering this awesome opportunity!

Little Flower on YouTube

Did you know the Little Flower parish is on YouTube? We livestream all of our Masses, Sacred Devotions and Morning Prayer. Please subscribe to our YouTube channel, *Little Flower Parish – Richmond Heights*. Be sure and **LIKE** our videos, and share this information with your family and friends.



MEMORIAL PLAQUES

If anyone is interested in ordering a memorial plaque for their loved ones who have passed away and have been buried from this parish, please contact the rectory at 645-1445. The plaques are hung in the St. Joseph Chapel. Deadline is June 1.



A LETTER FROM THE LITTLE FLOWER PRINCIPAL

Grade 4 Field Trip



Grade 4 great field trip to the Ulysses S. Grant Home last week. The students enjoyed the trip and asked great questions! A special thank you goes to Mrs. Ambrecht for driving and chaperoning the field trip and Mrs. Saeger who organized the field trip.

Little Flower scores high in the Bellarmine Speech meet

Congratulations to Coach Dierker and the team!

Results are in:

Kayley & Tess- Gold for Duet

Georgie- Gold for Humorous

Liesl- Blue for Humorous



Gloria Openlander

Principal

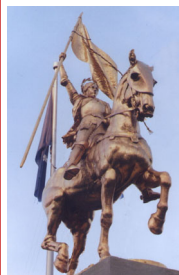
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Our parish is offering a convenient service for contributions! Online Giving is a web-based application that allows you to start, stop and change your contributions at any time. Please notice that our offering envelopes now have a check box which indicates "I've given online," which you can use to present during offertory at Mass. Online Giving is very easy to use and requires no special knowledge other than how to access the Internet. If you haven't already signed up, then go to our parish website at www.littleflowerstl.org and select Online Giving or you can register at our parish app. Simply scan with your Smart Device. It will take you to the on-line giving portal of our website.



Where Art Serves the World: An Afternoon with Internationally-Noted St. Louis Sculptor Don Wiegand. Wednesday, April 10, Noon – 2:00 PM at Mercy Conference and Retreat Center in Frontenac. Doors open at 11:30 AM; box lunch & drinks served at noon. Cost: \$50 individual ticket; \$275 table of 6; livestream \$15 per household. Purchase tickets at MERCYCENTERSTL.ORG



Little Flower Parish invites you to join us for:

The Rosary Crusade for America and the Church will be prayed every Saturday at 4:30 in the Little Flower Chapel. Whether you attend the 5:00 Mass or just join for the rosary, everyone is invited.



Switch to Catholic radio for Lent. It's not a sacrifice. You can listen to the exceptional programming on Covenant Network Catholic radio by tuning into KHOJ 1460 AM, or anytime on our mobile app, or at OurCatholicRadio.org.
<https://ourcatholicradio.org/>

Did you Know?

If you are homebound or know of anyone in the parish who is homebound, and would like to receive Communion please contact the rectory office at 314-645-1445. We will be happy to arrange that.

Also if you are homebound and do not have access to a computer, we would gladly send you a weekly copy of the bulletin. Please let us know what we can do for you by calling the rectory office. 314-645-1445

CBC Summer Academy Registration now open for all boys entering 6th, 7th, and 8th grades.

Enjoy a premier summer experience held in CBC's theater, classrooms, science labs, art studios, sports facilities, and sports center by being part of our CBC Summer Academy. Register today at www.BeaCadet.org/summer. Contact Melissa Ryan at ryanm@cbchs.org or 314-985-6095 for more information.

April 20, 2024



5k Start Time: 8am
5k Awards: 8:45am
1/2 mile Fun Run: 9am
Post-race refreshments

<http://tinyurl.com/ctk5k2024>

Desert Day: I really need a day of prayer and quiet! Desert Days at the Sanguis Christi Spirituality Center of the Sisters of the Most Precious Blood are just that.

Come to the quiet and beauty of St. Joseph Chapel at 204 North Main St., O'Fallon, MO on, **April 16, , May 15, or June 20 from 9:15 am – 3:15 pm.** The day will begin and end with prayer. The remainder of the day is solitude, quiet, reflection, and rest. The opportunity to talk with a spiritual director is also available. Lunch is provided. A free will offering is requested. For more information or to register contact Sr. Mary Cecile Gunelson, CPPS at 636-293-8013 or by email at mccgunelson@cppsofallon.org

"A Holy Hour in front of the Blessed Sacrament is worth more than a thousand years of human glory."
 ~ St. Padre Pio



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION is held in the Little Flower Chapel from 8:00am to 5:00pm every Friday. All are encouraged to come and spend whatever time you are able to in the Divine Presence of God.

For more information and/or if you are able to commit to your own weekly hour of adoration, please contact:
 Margie Curran (645-1709) or Anita Blattenberger (644-4740)

Mass Intentions

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| Monday | April 8 |
| 7:00am | Ursula Hand |
| Tuesday | April 9 |
| 7:00am | Helen Miller |
| Wednesday | April 10 |
| 7:00am | Shirley Dolan |
| 8:15am | Little Flower Parish |
| Thursday | April 11 |
| 7:00am | Sp. Intention (Phillip Campeau) |
| Friday | April 12 |
| 7:00am | Sp. Intention (Linda Miller) |
| Saturday | April 13 |
| 8:00am | Mac & Marita Dryden |
| 5:00pm | Jack Kinsella |
| Sunday | April 14 |
| 8:00am | Sp. Inten. (Father H.) |
| 9:15am | Souls in Purgatory |
| 10:30am | Luigina (Mimy) Donetta |

Interested in answering Jesus' call to serve others? Join The Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

The society of St. Vincent de Paul provides clothes, shelter, food, medicine and more -and pays for utilities for people in need throughout the St. Louis region. Our personal, one-on-one approach gives people the help they need for today and helps them to see a better tomorrow. We are a Catholic lay organization, leading men and men to join together to grow spiritually by offering service to the needy and suffering. **Join Us.** See Christ in the face of the poor and to bring the love of God to those who are in material or spiritual need. You'll grow spiritually and make friends. **How to join us? Call the rectory at 314-645-1445**

Readings for the week of April 7, 2024

Sunday: Acts 4:32-35/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 (1)/1 Jn 5:1-6/Jn 20:19-31

Monday: Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11/Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38

Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Jn 3:7b-15

Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 3:16-21

Thursday: Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20/Jn 3:31-36

Friday: Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Jn 6:1-15

Saturday: Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/Jn 6:16-21

Next Sunday: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9 (7a)/1 Jn 2:1-5a/Lk 24:35-48

*In your charity,
 please Pray for*

all the souls of the faithful departed, May they rest in peace...

The sick and shut-ins of our parish, especially:

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| Amos James Becker | Beverly Haffner | G. Tracy Mehan |
| Andrew Blum | Mary Ellen Havard | Mary Falk Mehan |
| John Boland | Louise Haynes | Peg Mango |
| Maxine Borowiak | Adrianna Hubb | Helen Mango |
| Jaxson Boyer | ChrisLewisHutchcroft | David Nathe |
| Frankie Boyer | Stan James | Sr. Jo Ann |
| Steve Bradshaw | Barb Jones | O'Connell, BVM |
| Joanne Buchholz | Chad Keeven | Lachlan Oddy |
| Marissa Campeau | Donald Kenney | Kristin Rafferty |
| Ellen Carmody | Mary Kinsley | Christi Rice Blum |
| Kathleen Carter | Joanne Kraus | Sue Rice |
| Rachelle Chaney | Ken Kuhlman | Ken Roberts |
| Nicholas Coleman | Jack Lally | Marguerite |
| Katie Crouch Willett | Julie Lally | Scheidegger |
| Clare Crouch | Marianne Lally | Tom Schuette |
| Helena Czosnyka | Jim LaMartina | James Smith |
| Chandolor Davis | Patty LaRochelle | Tony Snider |
| James Davis | Mary Laws | Hollie Soto |
| James E. Davis | Everleigh Lauber | Matthew Stuart |
| Nathan Glore Davis | Jean Leonhardt | Gary Underwood |
| Bill Edwards | Sherry Lopez | Miriam Varas |
| Kathryn Fischer | Greg & Shelley | Margaret Verzino |
| Peter Freundl | Lowrey | Charles Volk |
| Ron Garnier | Elizabeth Lyons | Billy Wells |
| Joyce Griffen | Emma Lyons | Joseph Wheeler |
| Linda Grobelny | Bob McShane | |
| | John McShane | |

PLEASE PRAY for our PARISHIONERS and/or LOVED ONES SERVING in the United States Military



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| <i>Allen Conrey</i> | <i>Maurice Muro</i> |
| <i>Rebecca Conrey</i> | <i>Ashton Piper</i> |
| <i>Rebecca Conrey</i> | <i>Christopher Wamhoff</i> |
| <i>Blaise Coultier</i> | <i>John Weber</i> |
| <i>Alex Garofalo</i> | <i>Jonathon Habbe</i> |
| <i>Derek Hirtz</i> | <i>Dashawn Arrendon-</i> |
| <i>Brian Kloppenburg</i> | <i>do</i> |
| <i>Justin Kloppenburg</i> | |
| <i>Alexander LaRochelle</i> | |