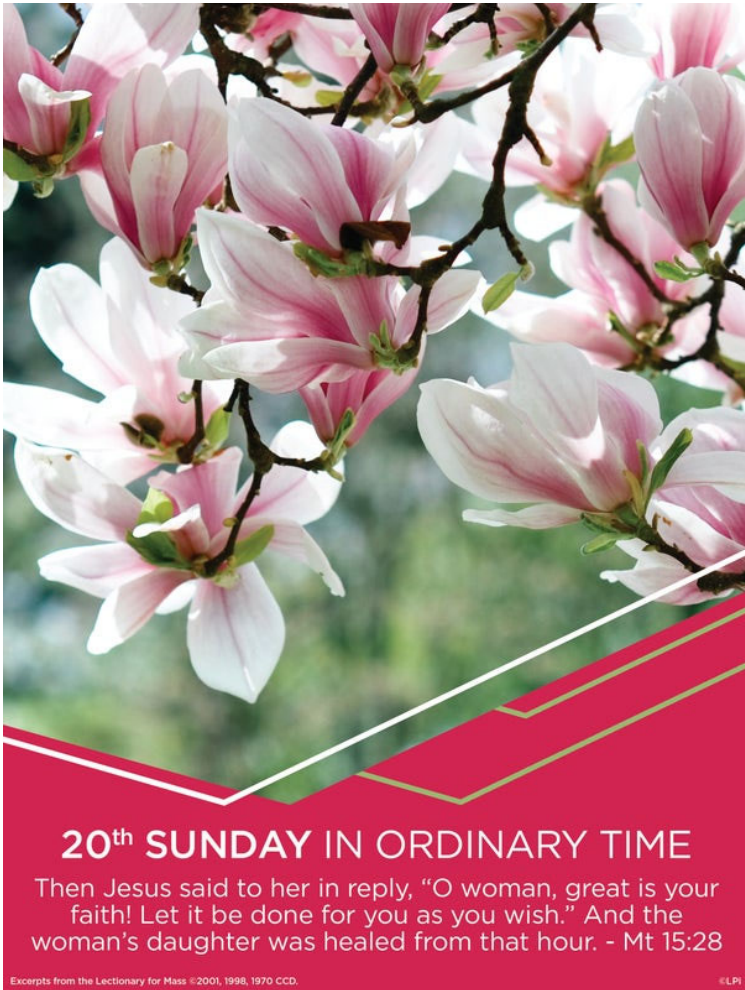


Church of the Little Flower

August 20, 2023

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time



"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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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.

Calendar of Events

MASSES WILL BE LIVE-STREAMED

Monday	August 21
7:00am	Mass
Tuesday	August 22
7:00am	Mass
10:00am	Legion of Mary
Wednesday	August 23
7:00am	Mass
7:00pm	Men's Club Meeting
Thursday	August 24
7:00am	Mass
Friday	August 25
7:00am	Mass
Saturday	August 26
8:00am	Mass
5:00pm	Mass
Sunday	August 27
8:00am	Mass
9:15am	New Latin Mass
10:30am	Mass

**Please email all bulletin submissions to:
 Debra Richter -drichter@littleflowerstl.org
 no later than Monday at 10:00am**

Ministers of Service August 26 & August 27 2023

MINISTERS OF SERVICE

08/26 5:00pm ~ M. Basi C. Koontz J. Schibig
 08/27 8:00am ~ A. & H. Reinagel M. Devereux
 08/27 10:30am ~ Cl. Koontz G. & C. Woods

THE GUILD of MOTHER ERNESTINE

(Sacristan Helpers)

08/26 5:00pm ~ B. Campeau **Team B**
 08/27 8:00am ~ R. Jacknewitz
 08/27 10:30am ~ K. & S. Toombs

LECTORS

08/26 5:00pm ~ L. Waugh J. Waugh
 08/27 8:00am ~ P. Dolan Patrick Dolan
 08/27 10:30am ~ M. Seal M. Mabery

MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY

08/26 5:00pm ~ Volunteer Volunteer
 08/27 8:00am ~ Volunteer Volunteer
 08/27 10:30am ~ Volunteer Volunteer

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

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“Whoever does not trust the Lord in small matters is quite clearly an unbeliever in things of greater importance.”

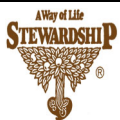
--St. Basil the Great

In today's Gospel it is proclaimed: “But the woman came and did Jesus homage, saying, 'Lord, help me.' He said in reply, 'It is not right to take the food of the children and throw it to the dogs. She said, 'Please, Lord, for even the dogs eat the scraps that fall from the table of their masters.' 'Then Jesus said to her in reply, 'O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.' And the woman's daughter was healed from that hour.”

Following Jesus means that we ought to leave our comfort zone and accept God's ways of thinking and acting. He calls everyone to be with him, be close to him and respond to him. Yet his ways are different and purposeful. Looking into the world around us we are baffled and shaken by conflicts that spring from religious intolerance. There are the attacks on groups of other religions, hate filled writings published, continual hatred and mistrust is shown. Even though there is a desire by a few for unity and togetherness, there are more forces that take people in opposite direction. Today's three readings show God's plan as revealing and unfolding a more generous love that stretches to people inviting them to follow him. This reveals generously a world where the Kingdom of God exists and is big enough to welcome everyone. Wherever hatred and narrow-mindedness and prejudice come from, surely, they are not from God

Today's Reading from the Gospel of Matthew, the account of Jesus and the Canaanite woman, is one of the rare encounters of Jesus with gentiles. The Gospel narrative tells us that at first, Jesus ignored her. He did not show any response to her request. The more Jesus ignored her, the more the woman shouted, “Lord, Son of David, have mercy on me.” The Canaanite woman teaches us the need to persevere in our prayers. We must realize that when we ask God for something it does not always result in getting what we have asked for. It helps us to see more clearly what God wants for us and what the best is really for us. What we need most is not the carrying out of our own wishes but having the peace and security that can only come from our being in total harmony with God's will for us, so that his will and mine are identical.

God Bless—Fr. H



“For the gifts and the call of God are irrevocable.”

(Romans 11:29)

God has a special mission in mind for each of us. He has given us the gifts we need to accomplish that mission. We are called to be good stewards by using those gifts to do the work that He has planned for each of us. If we deny our gifts or fail to use them as God calls us to use them, then some part of His work will be left undone. Each of us has a part in God's salvation plan.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

That we may show our gratitude for God's great giftst through our active participation in the ministry of God's Church.

Amen



This week the vocational chalice is staying in the home of the Dietz family. Please pray for and with the families who are hosting it. And please pray for vocations and our current clergy as they make decisions about the parishes in our archdiocese and live with them. You can still have the privilege of hosting the chalice in your home. Sign up in the All Souls Chapel. We need someone for upcoming weeks. If you wish to sign up for more than one week at a time, simply draw an area from your entry to the one below. Please help us continue this important prayer. Contact Jackie Waugh for more info at 314-704-5619. Thanks for participating in this important ministry.

Knights of Columbus upcoming events!



Saturday, August 26th, 2023 - Join us at 8 am Saturday morning mass at Little Flower, then Fellowship at Great Harvest Bread Co in Maplewood afterward!

Tuesday, Sept 5th, 2023 - Join us at 6:30 pm for our Monthly Meeting - LF Cafe - Food and Beverages will be provided.

Saturday, October 14th, 2023 - Join us for the first Annual Knight's Trivia Nite at Little Flower Cafeteria. Look for Flyer Insert next weekend and get your team ready for Trivia!

HOSTS WANTED! MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Little Flower Ladies Club is hosting a **PROGRESSIVE DINNER** on Saturday, October 7, 2023.

We are needing **DINNER HOSTS**. If you are interested in hosting dinner for 6-12 Little Flower parishioners and school parents, please contact Jean Schibig at either jflanaga@wustl.edu or 314-608-5281.

If you have further questions, contact either Jean or Ladies Club President Bea Pollard at beapollard@yahoo.com or 314-477-2626.

We are looking forward to welcoming a new year with Ladies Club full of JOY..."Therefore I praised joy, because there is nothing better for mortals under the sun than to eat and to drink and to be joyful; this will accompany them in their toil through the limited days of life God gives them under the sun." Ecclesiastes 8:15. Let us **EAT, DRINK, and BE JOYFUL** as Little Flower Parish & School at our Progressive Dinner!

CALLING ALL GOLFERS! SIGN UP NOW!!!



Saturday, September 23 2023 @ 1:30PM
Norman K. Probst Golf Courses at Forest Park

Contact Lance Reinagel for Details
314 295 8350 or lance.d.reinagel@gmail.com

As part of the **Eucharistic Revival** at Little Flower, on Tuesday, August 22 we will have an Evening of Encounter with Jesus. This month's event is being moved due to the Holy Day. On this evening we will offer an hour of Adoration. There will be soft music and scriptures for meditation. Father will also be available for confessions at this time. At the end of the night, we will have benediction. The idea is for you to come away from the chaos we live in and allow Christ to speak to your hearts. We can only truly encounter the living Christ if we silence ourselves so we can hear Him. You are encouraged to join us for this special evening. If you can't make this one, there will be an opportunity for Encounter every third Tuesday throughout this year of Revival. For more info, contact Jackie Waugh at 314-704-5619 or jwaugh123@charter.net.

Enneagram 101: A Workshop led by Krissi Vandagriff, September 22 (6-9 PM) and September 23 (8:30 AM-5:00 PM at Mercy Center, Frontenac. Learn the psychological and spiritual benefits of understanding this personality typology. Cost: \$125. Information and registration by 9/15 at www.mercycenterstl.org or phone Rita O'Dea at 314.909.4663.

Enchantment of the Sky: Awakening Divine Consciousness, A Day of Prayer with Paul Coutinho, September 16, 8:45 AM-3:00 PM at Mercy Center in Frontenac. Cost: \$70; lunch included. Information and registration by 9/8 at www.mercycenterstl.org



Seasons come and seasons go but it is always in season to focus on our faith life in Christ Jesus. Covenant Network Catholic radio helps by drawing us into the beautiful spirituality of our Catholic prayers and devotions. Even the current events, seen through a Catholic prism, keep us attentive to the things that matter for our salvation. Tune into **KHOJ 1460 AM** or listen on the Covenant Network app or anytime at OurCatholicRadio.org.



Little Flower
Catholic School

A LETTER FROM THE LITTLE FLOWER PRINCIPAL



Little Flower Students Receive Appreciation From American Heart Association

The results of the Kids Heart Challenge Program sponsored by the the American Heart Association were presented to schools this summer.

Little Flower students received a Certificate of Appreciation from the American Heart Association for raising \$7,486. Congratulations!

Thank you to Mrs. Bates for chairing the Kids Heart Challenge at Little Flower!
A wonderful job by all!

Aug 19: Ice Cream Social after the Saturday 5 PM Mass. The School Board will chair this event.

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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.



BABY QUILTS

The St. John Paul II quilting group has a large supply of baby quilts for sale. They are all lovingly handmade and hand quilted by a small group of dedicated quilters. Come take a look. For



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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

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!

*Part-Time work for our parent company, **Decided Excellence Catholic Media**, and help inspire more Catholic families back to the Catholic Church! Flexible Hours.*

As an Account Executive, you will help grow Midwest Faith Media, a local business owned by Parishioner Chris Heeb, joining us in our mission, which is to strengthen community life and energize local businesses. To this end, you will devise customized solutions for local business owners to brand themselves locally in a professional, local faith-based magazine with family-friendly and spiritually uplifting content. This is accomplished through meetings with local business owners, and showing them the benefits of partnering with our local faith community magazine, Clayton Parish Neighbors. Learn more here - www.Work4DE.com

The Cornerstone Catholic Scripture Study,

Study. Connect. Transform. These words describe the mission of The Cornerstone Catholic Scripture Study. We invite you to join us for our upcoming study of **The Prophets of the Old Testament**. This study is for adults who wish to deepen their faith through an increased knowledge of the inspired Word of God which can transform your heart and mind. Weekly meetings will be held from September thru March. For more information about Branch locations and our upcoming study please visit our website at www.thecornerstonescripturestudy.org. You may also contact Pat Leahy (314-956-1007) for more information.

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.

"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)

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**

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

Mass Intentions

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| Monday
7:00am | August 21
Jack Kinsella |
| Tuesday
7:00am | August 22
Helen Mueller |
| Wednesday
7:00am | August 23
Spec. Int. (M. Boyce) |
| 8:15am | James Feser |
| Thursday
7:00am | August 24
Eileen Nathe |
| Friday
7:00am | August 25
Mary Kitta |
| Saturday
8:00am | August 26
Margie Meatte |
| 5:00pm | Bill Kelly |
| Sunday
8:00am | August 27
Louis Venegoni |
| 9:15am | Souls in Purgatory |
| 10:30am | Members of the Parish |

Readings for the week of August 20, 2023

- Sunday: Is 56:1, 6-7/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 (4)/Rom 11:13-15, 29-32/Mt 15:21-28
- Monday: Jgs 2:11-19/Ps 106:34-35, 36-37, 39-40, 43ab and 44/Mt 19:16-22
- Tuesday: Jgs 6:11-24a/Ps 85:9, 11-12, 13-14/Mt 19:23-30
- Wednesday: Jgs 9:6-15/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mt 20:1-16
- Thursday: Rv 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18/ Jn 1:45-51
- Friday: Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22/Ps 146:5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10/Mt 22:34-40
- Saturday: Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17/Ps 128:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 Mt 23:1-12
- Next Sunday: Is 22:19-23/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8 (8bc)/ Rom 11:33-36/Mt 16:13-20

PLEASE PRAY for our PARISHIONERS and/or LOVED ONES SERVING in the UNITED STATES MILITARY



- Allen Conrey
 Mollie Conrey
 Rebecca Conrey
 Blaise Coultier
 Alex Garofalo
 Derek Hirt
 Brian Kloppenburg
 Justin Kloppenburg
 Alexander LaRochelle

- Maurice Muro
 Ashton Piper
 Christopher Wamhoff
 John Weber
 Jonathon Habbe