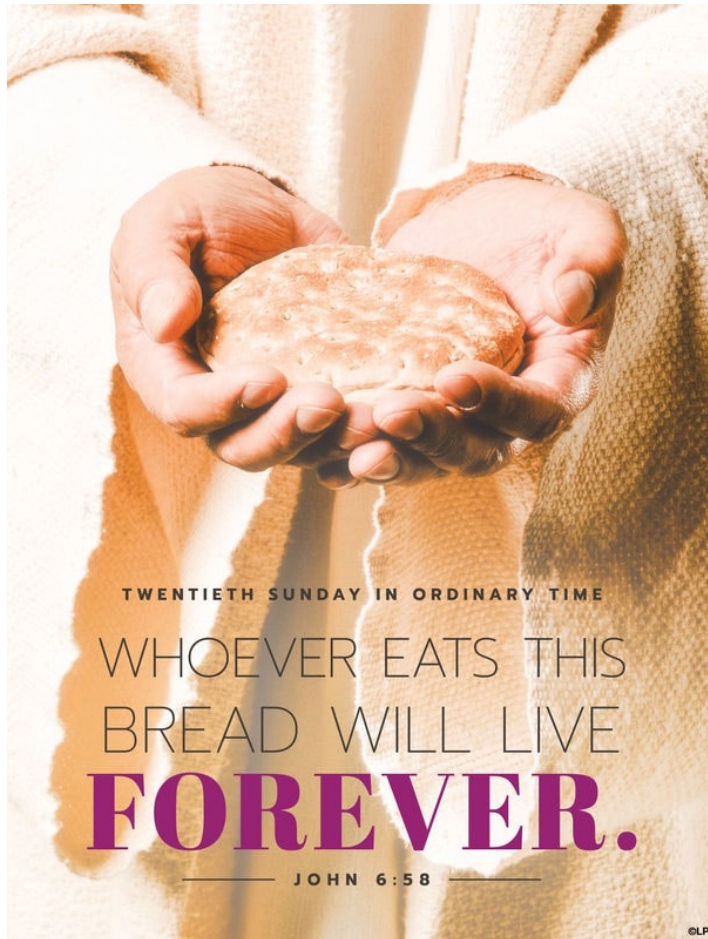


Church of the Little Flower

August 18th, 2024

20th Sunday in Ordinary



"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

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Monday - Friday: 7:00am
 Holyday Masses: Please check the bulletin for Mass schedule
 Legal Holidays: 9:00am

MORNING PRAYER of the LITURGY of the HOURS:

Monday through Friday: 7:30am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturday: 4:00-4:45pm or 6:45am-6:55am Monday thru Friday

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.

BULLETIN DEADLINE:

Monday at 1:00pm

Calendar of Events

MASSES WILL BE LIVE-STREAMED

Monday	6:45-6:55 7:00am	August 19 (Msgr. McCumber) Confessions Mass	
Tuesday	6:45-6:55 7:00am 7pm-8pm	August 20 (Msgr. McCumber) Perpetual Help Devotions Mass LF Holy Hour	
Wednesday	6:45-6:55 7:00am	August 21 (Msgr. McCumber) Confessions Mass	
Thursday	6:45-6:55 7:00am	August 22 (Msgr. McCumber) Confessions Mass	
Friday	6:45-6:55 7:00am 8:00am-5:00pm	August 23 (Fr. Herzog) Confessions Mass Adoration	
Saturday	4pm-4:45pm 4:30pm 5:00pm	August 24 (Fr. Rubie) Confessions Rosary in Little Flower Chapel Mass	
Sunday	8:00am 10:00am-10:15am 10:30am	August 25 Mass (Msgr. McCumber) Confessions Mass (Fr. Herzog)	

Ministers of Service August 24 & 25 2024

MINISTERS OF SERVICE

08/24 5:00pm ~ L. Allman M. Husmann P. McClure
 08/25 8:00am ~ L. Armbrrecht Mat. & Anders Verry
 08/25 10:30am ~ A. Eppert B. Acosta S. Donovan

LECTORS

08/24 5:00pm ~ M. Hazelwood L. Bub
 08/25 8:00am ~ S. McDonald B. Miller
 08/25 10:30am ~ C. Flottmann R. Provaznik

THE GUILD of MOTHER ERNESTINE

(Sacristan Helpers)

08/24 5:00pm ~ A. Lewis & P. Williams **(Team B)**
 08/25 8:00am ~ R. Jacknewitz
 08/25 10:30am ~ C. Flottmann

“Who is this new priest? His name is ‘Fr. Rubio?’ No it’s ‘Fr. Rubie!’”

Based on the title to this bulletin article you might be puzzled as to the phrase above. Many times I’ve been called mistakenly by people “Fr. Rubio;” I can never escape from the shadow of the American politician “Marco Rubio,” but at least people know my name ends with a vowel. While the misnomer to my name happens both in written and spoken words, it underlies the fact that people want to not only know my name but also to know me. This being the case I decided for my bulletin column this week to tell you a bit about myself—fulfilling the unmet promise to tell you about myself and who I am as a person. I hope you see this as a lighthearted attempt to read something easy, straightforward, and not too theological as my previous bulletin columns have been since I arrived at Little Flower.

I grew up in a non-practicing Catholic family in Oakville and Imperial, Missouri with three brothers, along with my parents. Growing up as a child I remember spending a lot of summers at the neighborhood pool and taking trips down to a local creek. During the school year my weekends were often filled by waking up early in the morning, along with my brothers, to play hockey. Many of these memories involved going to the local donut shop and stuffing my face with donuts before going out on the ice. Little wonder why I’m not crazy about donuts as an adult, especially when they are the root of childhood stomach aches. But I’ll say my most important childhood experiences came when I stayed with my grandparents on many weekends as a kid. It was my grandma and grandpa Rubie that I credit planting the seeds of my Catholicism and priestly vocation by attending Mass each Sunday with them at Queen of All Saints parish in Oakville. The memories of going to Mass and being drawn to the liturgy, along with breakfast with my grandparents, was truly impressionable.

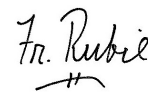
Later on as an adult, I realized that God was guiding me through my life experiences to seriously consider the priesthood. After years of college and grad school, I sensed that the Lord was calling me to embrace discernment of the priesthood that began with those early experiences as a kid with my grandparents. My discernment of the priesthood led me through some challenging times—especially in letting go of some attachments, relationships, and the loss of my father.

Speaking of my dad, he instilled in me a strong work ethic and his love for the game of hockey. Growing up I never forgot the story he would tell me and my teammates about how the Edmonton Oilers lost the 1983 Stanley Cup Finals in utter defeat, only to come back next year to win it all and start a dynasty. This is partly why I am an Oilers fan, which some of you probably already know about in your interaction with me. Also, Wayne Gretzky helped to solidify my fandom of the Edmonton Oilers.

No matter how much I like hockey and sports in general, nothing is more important to me than my faith and my vocation as a priest. The greatest day of my life was my priestly ordination on May 26, 2018. I will never forget that day or the day of my first Mass at the Cathedral Basilica. These are true treasures I will hold on to for the rest of my life and for eternity.

While this is a small sampling of who I am as a person, I hope it gives each of you a better understanding of your new priest. I look forward to getting to know each of you throughout the years I am assigned to Little Flower parish. It takes time getting to know people, so please be patient with me as I get to know your names and get to know you. I’m sure I’ll make mistakes, but hopefully I won’t call you “Fr. Rubio!”

In Christ the Savior,




“Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him.”

(John 6:56)

This line from Scripture is what ultimately separates Catholics from our Protestant brothers and sisters. Jesus is really present in the bread and wine that are consecrated at Holy Mass. It is his actual body and blood that we consume. This is the greatest gift we can receive. The Eucharist shows us how great a love that Jesus has for each of us.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

That through the gift of Holy Communion we reflect Jesus’s love and mercy to others.

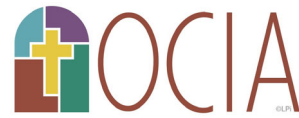
Amen

Little Flower Holy Hour

Have you felt Jesus' embrace? If you have been to Adoration, you have. Whether you have or haven't, join us Tuesday, August 20th from 7-8 pm in our Little Flower chapel for Little Flower Holy Hour. We will begin with the Chaplet to the Holy Face. Then we will spend some quiet time in Adoration praying for the success of the Revival that created these Encounter nights as well as our parish and priests. Confessions will also be available. All are welcome.

WELCOME! WELCOME! WELCOME!

Little Flower is in need of **GREETERS** for our weekend Masses. We would like to start the tradition of once again greeting everyone who comes to Mass at Little Flower. We want everyone to feel welcome as they come to church. It would be nice to have a greeter at all 3 doors for each Mass. Please consider signing up for this cause. If interested please call Susan Bub at 314-644-3332



OCIA - THE EUCHARIST – THE IRRESISTIBLE GIFT

Experiencing the Year of Eucharistic Renewal has generated profound appreciation and gratitude for Holy Communion and desire to share this gift with others. Countless persons aspiring to join the Catholic church relate how the prospect of receiving the Eucharist as irresistible and drew them to the faith. Will you invite new “seekers” to become Catholic and find the “pearl of great price?” Invite neighbors, friends, family members. The initial meetings of the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (or OCIA) consist of inquiry, without commitment. Are you interested in joining the Catholic Church? Is there something preventing full participation? Come to resolve questions. Classes begin in September. Please call 314-645-1445

100th Anniversary of Little Flower

If you would like to help plan the events for the LF 100th Anniversary, we will be having a meeting Thursday, August 22nd at 7:00pm in the rectory. Everyone is welcome!!!



The 5th Annual
FESTIVAL OF SAINT LOUIS

AUGUST 17th - 24th, 2024
HOLY ROSARY NOVENA - 6:30 P.M.
 Apotheosis of St. Louis on Art Hill
 1 Fine Arts Drive, St. Louis, 6310

FRIDAY, AUGUST 23rd
MUSIC OF THE CRUSADES CONCERT - 7 P.M.
 St. Francis de Sales Oratory
 2653 Ohio Ave, St. Louis, MO 6318

SATURDAY, AUGUST 24th
LUDOVICANUM PARTY - 11 A.M. TO 2 P.M.
 Sunset 44 Bistro (details at festivalofsaintlouis.com)

FIRST VESPERS - 5 P.M.
 Oratory of SS. Gregory and Augustine
 7230 Dale Ave, St. Louis, 6317

SUNDAY, AUGUST 25th
SOLEMN MASS OF SAINT LOUIS - 10:00 A.M.
 Oratory of SS. Gregory and Augustine

LOUISMAS BBQ - 12 NOON
 Oratory of SS. Gregory and Augustine

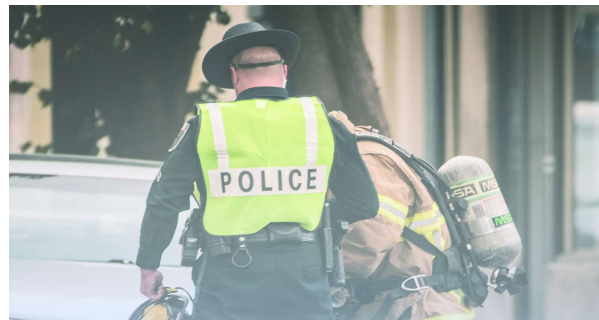
SECOND VESPERS - 2:30 P.M.
 Oratory of SS. Gregory and Augustine

HOLY HOUR 4 P.M.
 Oratory of SS. Gregory and Augustine

PROCESSION WITH RELIC OF SAINT LOUIS - 5 P.M.
 From Oratory of SS. Gregory and Augustine to Art Hill
 2 Miles - Free shuttle available for return

HOLY ROSARY AT STATUE - 6 P.M.
 Free Ice Cream Reception to follow
 1 Fine Arts Drive, St. Louis, 6310

See more events and details online:
festivalofsaintlouis.com

BLUE MASS


Celebrated by
Archbishop Mitchell T. Rozanski

For First Responders and their Families

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2024
at 10:00 AM

Cathedral Basilica
of Saint Louis

Reception to follow after Mass





THE LITTLE FLOWER COMMUNITY OPPORTUNITY

LEONARD'S PIZZA PARTY

Thank You!

We are grateful for your service.

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 Gospel of Matthew, “**Jesus, The Cornerstone**”. 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 April. For more information about Branch locations and our upcoming study please visit our website at: www.thecornerstonescripturestudy.org

Family Holy Hour?

Would you like to see some family programming with our Little Flower Holy Hour? I am looking for someone to collaborate with me to provide programming for kids while their parents join in the Holy Hour. It’s important to reach out to our families right now so that they remain a part of our community. If you have ideas how we can do this, I’d love to hear from you. Call me at 314-704-5619 or email at jwaugh123@charter.net.

St. Louis Catholic High Schools:



High School Fairs and Presentation Nights

Fall and Spring High School Fair

Showcasing All Schools 5:00 – 7:00 PM

Thursday, August 22nd Visitation Academy
 3020 N. Ballas Road, 63131

Wednesday, April 9th Ursuline Academy
 341 Sappington Road, 63122

High School Presentation Nights

Registration 6:00 – 6:30 PM

Three 20-minute school presentations 6:30 – 8:00 PM

Wednesday, September 4th St. John Vianney
 1311 S. Kirkwood Road, 63122

Tuesday, September 17 St. Dominic High School
 31 St. Dominic Drive, 63366

Monday, September 30th Cor Jesu Academy
 10230 Gravois Boulevard, 63123

Thursday, October 10th St. Mary's South Side Catholic
 4701 South Grand Boulevard, 63111

Families select which presentations to attend. All students in grades 5-8 are welcome. Families may attend any of the high school nights.

CALLING ALL GOLFERS! SAVE THE DATE!!!



Saturday, September 28 2024 @ 1:30PM
Norman K. Probststein Golf Courses at Forest Park

Contact Mark Bult for Details
573-864-2534 or markjbult@gmail.com

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.



DID YOU KNOW?

Did you know that we can be filled spiritually by the Bread of Life when we sit in Adoration?

Need healing after abortion? Contact:
 Abortion Healing Ministry, Archdiocese of St. Louis
 Hopeline (call/text): 314.406.0815
hopehealing@archstl.org
www.abortionchangesyou.com
www.supportafterabortion.com

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 Monday of the month from 7:00-8:00pm 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.

Stewardship Prayer of St. Ignatius Loyola

*Take, Lord, and receive all my liberty, my memory, my understanding and my entire will – all that I have and call my own.
 You have given it all to me.
 To you, Lord, I return it.
 Everything is yours; do with it what you will.
 Give me only your love and your grace. That is enough for me.*

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

Our Lady of Guadalupe for Life
SAVE THE DATE

15th Annual Benefit Dinner
Sunday, October 13, 2024

Keynote Speaker
Bishop David Konderla
 Bishop of Tulsa, Oklahoma

Also joining us will be:
 Fr. Anthony Wieck, SJ | Zip Rzeppa | Scott Kennebeck

Where: Orlando's Garden South
 4300 Hoffmeister Ave.
 Hwy 55 at Union Rd., St. Louis, MO 63125

Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at 4:00 pm
Followed by Cocktails and Dinner

More information go to: ourladyforlife.com

Scan if you would like to receive an invitation to the dinner:


We Need You to PRAY


In November, there is a potential amendment that would enshrine abortion in the Missouri Constitution

If passed, it will:

- Allow unlimited, unrestricted abortions for all 9 months of pregnancy
- NO parental consent or notification
- NO health and safety standards
- NO ability to sue for malpractice
- Taxpayer funded

WHAT YOU CAN DO:

Pray the Rosary daily 

Pray the Cardinal Burke Novena daily 

Scan here or go to: therosary.online | Scan here or go to: novena.cardinalburke.com

*"There is no problem, no matter how difficult it is, I tell you, that we cannot resolve by the Rosary."
 -Saint Lucia of Fatima*

"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 (330-6796)

Mass Intentions

Monday	August 19
7:00am	Clara B. Wessel
Tuesday	August 20
7:00am	Margie Meatte
Wednesday	August 21
7:00am	Sp. Intention (J. McCabe)
Thursday	August 22
7:00am	Sp. Intention (Fr. H)
Friday	August 23
7:00am	Thomas E. Mueller
Saturday	August 24
5:00pm	Marita Dryden
Sunday	August 25
8:00am	Msgr. Jerome Billing
10:30am	Jean Leonhardt

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 August 18, 2024

Sunday: Prv 9:1-6/Ps 34:2-3, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15 (9a)/Eph 5:15-20/Jn 6:51-58

Monday: Ez 24:15-23/Dt 32:18-19, 20, 21/Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday: Ez 28:1-10/Dt 32:26-27ab, 27cd-28, 30, 35cd-36ab/Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday: Ez 34:1-11/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Mt 20:1-16

Thursday: Ez 36:23-28/Ps 40:5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Mt 22:1-14

Friday: Ez 37:1-14/Ps 107:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 22:34-40

Saturday: Rv 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18/Jn 1:45-51

Next Sunday: Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b/Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23 (9a)/

Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32/Jn 6:60-69

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

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 Hirtz
 Brian Kloppenburg
 Justin Kloppenburg
 Alexander LaRochelle

- Maurice Muro
 Ashton Piper
 Christopher Wamhoff
 John Weber
 Jonathon Habbe
 Dashawn Arrendondo
 Ean Eicher