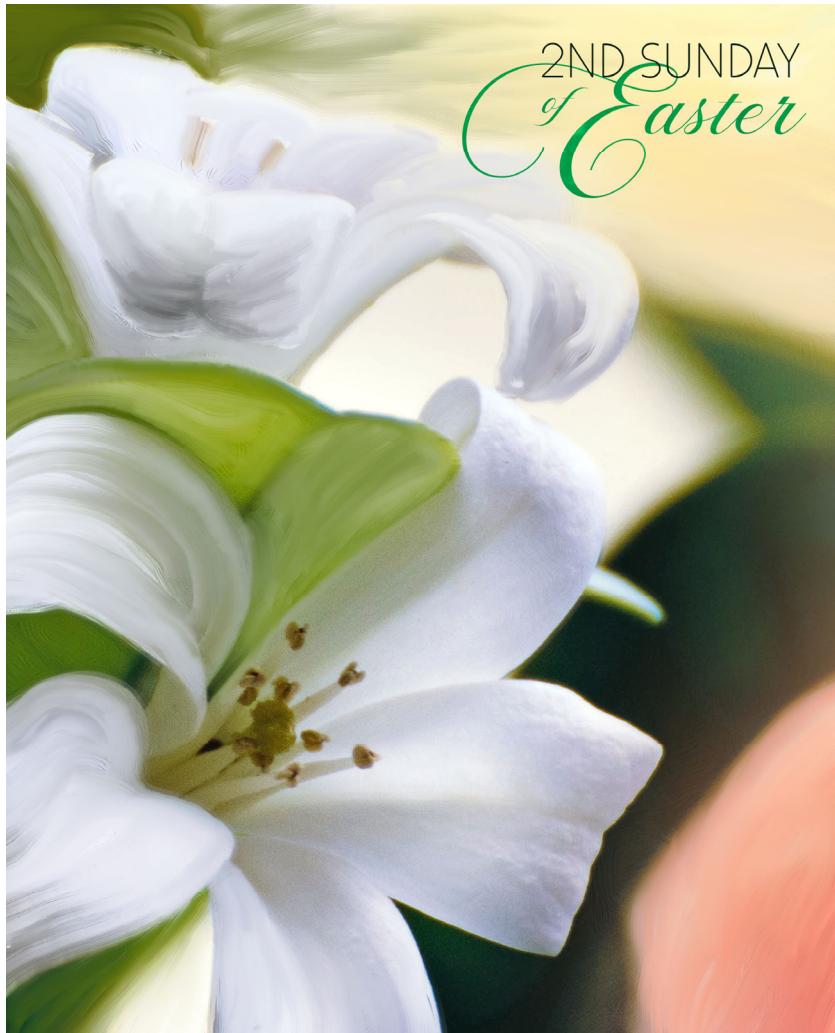


# *Church of the Little Flower*

April 16, 2023



*"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.*

2nd Sunday of Easter

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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

### Donut Sunday Today-April 16th After all Sunday Masses-Join Us!

<b>Monday</b>	<b>April 17</b>
7:00am	Mass
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>April 18</b>
7:00am	Mass
<b>10:00am</b>	<b>Legion of Mary</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>April 19</b>
7:00am	Mass
8:15am	All School Mass
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>April 20</b>
7:00am	Mass
<b>Friday</b>	<b>April 21</b>
7:00am	Mass
<b>Adoration Today 8:00am-5:00pm</b>	
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>April 22</b>
8:00am	Mass
5:00pm	Mass
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>April 23</b>
8:00am	Mass
9:15am	Extraordinary Form 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 April 22 & April 23, 2023

### MINISTERS OF SERVICE

04/22 5:00pm	~	P. McClure	P. Prost	T. Sullivan
04/23 8:00am	~	M. Basi	A. Reinagel	D. Dietz
04/23 10:30am	~	A. Eppert	D. Jones	E. Keeven

### THE GUILD of MOTHER ERNESTINE

#### (Sacristan Helpers)

04/22 5:00pm	~	P. Davis	Team B
04/23 8:00am	~	R. Jacknowitz	
04/23 10:30am	~	C. Flottmann	

### LECTORS

04/22 5:00pm	~	L. & J. Waugh	
04/23 8:00am	~	M. Campeau	T. Serena
04/23 10:30am	~	E. & B. Carmody	

### MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY

4/22 5:00pm	~	Volunteer	Volunteer
4/23 8:00am	~	Volunteer	Volunteer
4/23 10:30am	~	Volunteer	Volunteer

# FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

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There is a unique remedy for the ills of society.

It consists in returning to Christian living and clinging to Christian institutions. —Pope Leo XIII

In today's Gospel it is proclaimed: "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." 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."

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. Through the Spirit they are into the second creation leading them into something even bigger, to be born again in Christ through Baptism. Jesus gives them peace and power to forgive sins. The forgiveness that Jesus speaks of is not just the juridical wiping away of sins but a deep reconciliation of people with God and with each other. Christ's resurrection of Christ has won for us a new birth as sons and daughters of God. The church celebrates today the Divine Mercy Sunday, to experience the love and mercy of God given to us in Jesus.

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.

Today is Divine Mercy Sunday, the Second Sunday of the Easter season. It was named by Pope John Paul II at the canonization of St. Maria Faustina on April 30, 2000, and then officially decreed by the Vatican. Divine Mercy Sunday can be seen as the convergence of all the mysteries and graces of Holy Week and Easter Week. The feast focuses the light of the Risen Christ into a radiant beam of merciful love and grace for the whole world. In his revelations to St. Faustina Jesus expressed His desire to celebrate this special feast. He says that the Feast of Mercy emerged from his very depths of tenderness and mankind will not have peace until it turns to the Fount of his Mercy. Jesus says that the divine floodgates through which grace flow are opened and let no soul fear to draw near to him, even though his sins be as scarlet because the Feast of Mercy emerged from the very depths of his tenderness. Thanks to Mr. Chauvin, the cantors, choir, servers, torch bearers, lectors, ushers, those who decorated and cleaned the Church—May Resurrected Blessings be Yours!

God Bless You,  
Fr. Herzog



*Jesus came and stood among them and said to them,  
"Peace be with you."*

*(John 20:19)*

*Are you good at making people feel welcome? When you meet someone new, like a new neighbor, a new work colleague or a new Parishioner, do you make them feel at home? When we make people feel welcome, we make them feel included instead of being Excluded. We are made for relationships - with God and each other. When you see yourself as a beloved son or daughter of God, you tend to see others the same way, too-just as God, Our Father, sees us.*

## PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

*That we help our parish create a welcoming environment where people feel included.*

*Amen*

## Little Flower Ladies Club Meeting Thursday, April 20, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

The April monthly meeting for the Little Flower Ladies Club is this Thursday, April 20, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. in McEntee Hall.

Bopsy (Mary) Miller will be the featured speaker. Her presentation will be on the fourth Luminous Mystery of the Rosary, The Transfiguration.

Our service project for the April meeting is to bring items for a "Baby Shower" for the "Sweet Babies" nonprofit association. Sweet Babies was founded in 2010 by Little Flower parishioner, Alice Provaznik. Its purpose is to provide needy new mothers with a "Sweet Babies bag" that consists of over 30 items of clothing.

Items that are especially needed at this time are: Baby Wipes, socks (size 0-6 months), wash cloths, hooded baby towels, receiving blankets, and onesies for girls (size 3-6 months and 6-9 months).

Our activity will be a visit by the Richmond Heights City Manager, Amy Hamilton. Amy will give us an update on "What's New" in the area, and answer questions that you may have.

All women of the parish and school are invited to come and participate in the evening's activities.

The meeting will be preceded by praying the Luminous Mysteries of the Rosary, in church, at 6:30 p.m. as usual.

### ATTENTION: SEPARATED, DIVORCED, WIDOWED OR REMARRIED OF ALL AGES AND FAITHS

You are invited to join us for fun and to make new friends at the next meeting of the South County Separated, Divorced, Widowed and Remarried Catholics (SCDC) on Thursday, April 20, 2023, 7:00 p.m., at the Saint Catherine Laboure parish cafeteria (near to the playground) 9740 Sappington Rd, Sunset Hills, MO.

Immediately following the meeting we will play some fun Trivia. Refreshments will also be served. Come to enjoy a spring evening and join in some fun with friendly folks.

SCDC is a support group for the separated, divorced, widowed and remarried of our community. SCDC offers social activities, and a support group that provides the opportunity to share your personal story with caring people.

Ask about our same day \$5 discount for new memberships!

For more information please call Tom Shepart 785-221-7839.



### NEXT SESSION: THURSDAY, APRIL 20, 2023

Please join us at Kenrick-Glennon Seminary for the upcoming Fiat Women's Group session on Thursday, April 20. Our speaker will be Dr. Francis Feingold, Associate Professor of Philosophy. His talk title is "Weeping with Those Who Weep: Is Compassion Always Good?"

#### Schedule

7:30 a.m. - Doors Open  
8:00 a.m. - Rosary in the Chapel of St. Joseph  
8:15 - 9:00 a.m. - Talk by Dr. Francis Feingold  
9:00 - 9:30 a.m. - Fellowship in the Fireside Lounge

Participants are welcome to attend any part of the morning. We can't wait to see you!

### Father Rodis' Legacy: April 16, 2023

Q: What has been done to keep the Latin Mass at Little Flower?

A: In my bulletin article of April 2, 2023, I explained that the most recent pertinent document from Rome was issued on Feb. 21, 2023. It was called a "rescript", or clarification, of the *moto proprio*, *Traditionis Custodes*.

According to the rescript, any bishop who wants to dispense a parish within his diocese, from the prohibition of offering traditional Latin Masses, must write to Rome. The Dicastery for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments has been given the sole power and authority to grant such dispensations.

The bishops of Duluth, MN and Arlington, VA have applied for and received temporary two-year dispensations from the Dicastery.

The bishop of the Steubenville, OH diocese, has applied for—but not yet received—a dispensation.

Ann Bruemmer, Little Flower parishioner, collected signatures from supporters of the Latin Mass at Little Flower. She put them together with a formal letter to Archbishop Rozanski.

Ann specifically asked the archbishop to send a formal request to the Dicastery for a dispensation for Little Flower Parish to continue to offer the traditional Latin Mass.

However, even assuming that the archbishop immediately sends such a request to the Dicastery, it may be several months or longer, before he receives a reply.

In the meantime, there can be no traditional Latin Mass offered at Little Flower Church, after Pentecost Sunday. The archbishop has encouraged Father Herzog to offer a *novus ordo* Latin Mass in its place.

April 16, 2023 (Low Sunday—Low Mass)

April 23, 2023 (2<sup>nd</sup> Sun. after Easter—Low Mass)

April 30, 2023 (3<sup>rd</sup> Sun. after Easter—Low Mass)

May 7, 2023 (4<sup>th</sup> Sun. after Easter—High Mass)



III. Jarrett Austin & Shelby Tourney

### LECTORS ARE NEEDED!

We are in need of at least 2 more Lectors for the 8:00am weekend Mass as well as the 5:00pm weekend Mass. If you are able to help with this mission please contact the rectory at 314-645-1445. Thank you.



Little Flower  
Catholic School

## A LETTER FROM THE LITTLE FLOWER PRINCIPAL



### Picture the Music Award Ceremony by Kary Spiegel and Cheryl-Bini-Arbrecht

First Grader, Rhea, and Third Grader Philip had their artwork selected from over 16,000 works of art from the St. Louis metropolitan area, narrowed down to 580, then to 100 juried pieces. Among the 100 at Powell Symphony Hall, Phil's was among the blue ribbon winners. It was a lovely ceremony. The artwork was created while listening to "Jupiter, the Bringer of Jollity," by Gustav Holst. Thank you to Catherine Jeltes, Little Flower Art Teacher for participating in the "Picture the Music Contest."

### Grade 4 Art Project

The fourth graders are persistent in creating their Paper Rolled Heart Sculptures. The heart art project took several weeks to complete. Each individual piece had to be hand wrapped and glued. Wonderful job!



### The Power of Prayer Margie Meatte Memorial Fish Fry

From Erin Sullivan" Margie literally held the rain off till the line out the door ended and it poured at 7:20! We were able to clean the kitchen and mop before the power went out at 9." A deep appreciation to the Fish Fry Crew who assisted Kevin Sullivan. A very successful evening for the Little Flower Community in memory of Margie Meatte! Thank you all!

Photo by Erin Sullivan

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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](http://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.



*Knights Of Columbus upcoming volunteer events:*

**April 16th - DONUT SUNDAY** - Volunteer to help at our monthly Donut Sunday Event, All Masses - Start Set-up at 8:00am, Break Down at 11:45am

**April 29th - SERVING FAMILIES** - Volunteer to help at the Monthly Breakfast Event, Serving families at the Ronald McDonald House Charities - West County Location - 7:30am - 10:30am

**May 24th - COMMUNITY** - Volunteer to help at the School Picnic - We are in-charge of the BBQ for Families - Meet at Little Flower Parking Lot - Set-up 10:30am



**Legion of Mary**

If you would like to join a group of people dedicated to sharing prayer and the privilege to share the gift of membership in the Roman Catholic Church—join **The Legion of Mary**, a long-standing Little Flower organization since 1953. Our main focus is in a prayer life—join The Legion of Mary. Every meeting is opened with recitation of the Rosary. Our apostolate is inviting those we contact to value the gift of membership in the Roman Catholic Church. Women and men of all ages are welcome.

**The Legion of Mary meets weekly on Tuesday at 10:00am in the rectory meeting room. Come to visit and find out about this organization. Worldwide the Membership is 8-10 million.**

Questions: Call Jean Leonhardt/636-230-0347 or [jeanleonhardt324@gmail.com](mailto:jeanleonhardt324@gmail.com)

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**Attention All Green Thumbs!**

Little Flower parish council is working to start a Garden Club to help with the beautification of our parish and school grounds. This can be a lot of fun for any age group!

Please contact Albert Anglin at [aanglin12783@gmail.com](mailto:aanglin12783@gmail.com) or you can call or text 636-306-0361

**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**

*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:*

Amos James Becker  
Andrew Blum  
John Boland  
Maxine Borowiak  
Jaxson Boyer  
Frankie Boyer  
Steve Bradshaw  
Joanne Buchholz  
Ellen Carmody  
Kathleen Carter  
Rachelle Chaney  
Nicholas Coleman  
Katie Crouch Willett  
Helena Czosnyka  
Chandelier Davis  
James Davis  
Nathan Glore Davis  
Bill Edwards  
Kathryn Fischer  
Peter Freundl  
Joyce Griffen  
Beverly Haffner  
Mary Ellen Havard  
Louise Haynes  
Adrianna Hubb  
Pat Lewis Hutchcroft  
Stan James

Barb Jones  
Chad Keeven  
Bill Kelly  
Donald Kenney  
Mary Kinsley  
Joanne Kraus  
Jack Lally  
Julie Lally  
Marianne Lally  
Jim LaMartina  
Ellen Lang  
Patty LaRochelle  
Mary Laws  
Everleigh Lauber  
Jean Leonhardt  
Sherry Lopez  
Greg & Shelley  
Lowrey  
Elizabeth Lyons  
Emma Lyons  
Peg Mango  
Helen Mango  
Bob McShane  
G. Tracy Mehan  
Mary Falk Mehan

Doug Mueller  
David Nathe  
Sr. Jo Ann  
O'Connell, BVM  
Lachlan Oddy  
Kristin Rafferty  
Christi Rice Blum  
Sue Rice  
Ken Roberts  
Marguerite  
Scheidegger  
Tony Snider  
Hollie Soto  
Matthew Stuart  
Gary Underwood  
Miriam Varas  
Margaret Verzino  
Charles Volk  
Billy Wells  
Joseph Wheeler

### Mass Intentions

<b>Monday</b>	April 17
7:00am	Nancy Mueller
<b>Tuesday</b>	April 18
7:00am	Ann Layton
<b>Wednesday</b>	April 19
7:00am	Leon Herzog
8:15am	Souls in Purgatory
<b>Thursday</b>	April 20
7:00am	Margaret Snyder
<b>Friday</b>	April 21
7:00am	Kenneth McHaynes
<b>Saturday</b>	April 22
8:00am	Sp. Int. (Brooke Tomsula & Marshall Todd)
5:00pm	Nancy Mueller
<b>Sunday</b>	April 23
8:00am	Nick Verzino
9:15am	Sp. Intention
10:30am	Theresa Vegessi

### Readings for the week of April 16, 2023

Sunday:	Acts 2:42-47/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 (1)/1 Pt 1:3-9/Jn 20:19-31
Monday:	Acts 4:23-31/Ps 2:1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9/Jn 3:1-8
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 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 (11a)/1 Pt 1:17-21/Lk 24:13-35

### Sponsor A Child For Little Flower's Summer Camp Program

If you would like to help provide an opportunity for a Little Flower student to participate in our summer camp, please email Catherine Jeltes at [cjeltes@littleflowerstl.org](mailto:cjeltes@littleflowerstl.org). Weekly sessions are available for \$170.00 per child per week. Thank you in advance for your support of this popular summer program.

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



Allen Conrey  
Mollie Conrey  
Rebecca Conrey  
Blaise Coulter  
Alex Garofalo  
Derek Hirtz  
Brian Kloppenburg  
Justin Kloppenburg  
Alexander LaRochelle

Maurice Muro  
Ashton Piper  
Christopher Wamhoff  
John Weber  
Jonathon Habbe