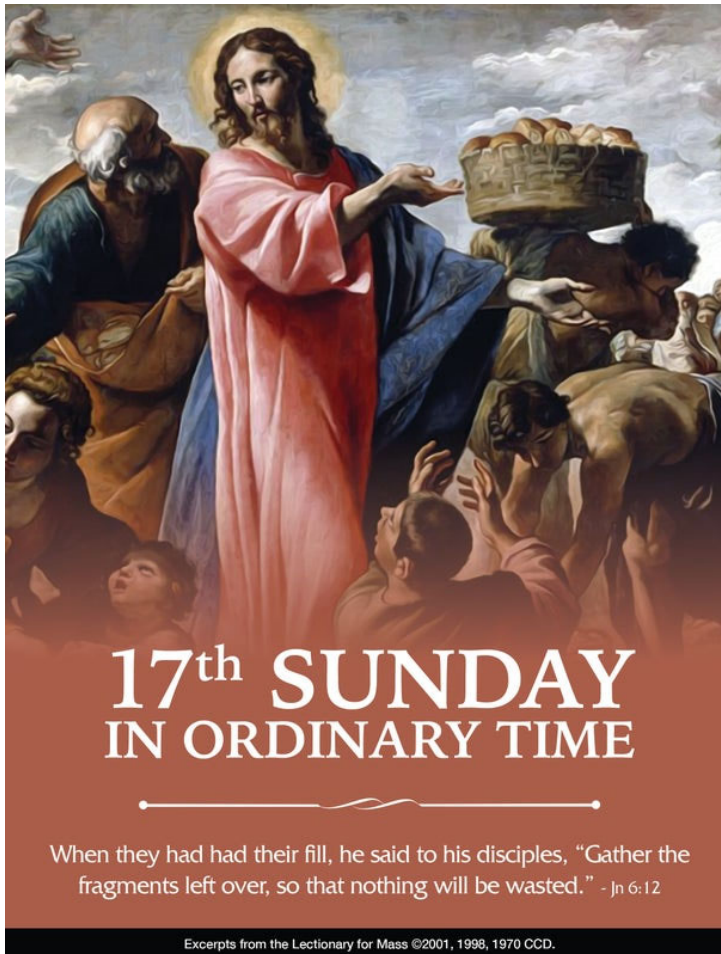


# Church of the Little Flower

July 28th, 2024

17th 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

### 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

<b>Monday</b>	<b>July 29</b>	<b>(Msgr. McCumber)</b>	
	<b>6:45-6:55</b>	<b>Confessions</b>	
	7:00am	<b>Mass</b>	
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>July 30</b>	<b>(Msgr. McCumber)</b>	
	<b>6:45-6:55</b>	<b>Confessions</b>	
	7:00am	<b>Mass</b>	
	<b>10:00am</b>	<b>Legion of Mary</b>	
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>July 31</b>	<b>(Msgr. McCumber)</b>	
	<b>6:45-6:55</b>	<b>Confessions</b>	
	7:00am	<b>Mass</b>	
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>August 1</b>	<b>(Msgr. McCumber)</b>	
	7:00am	<b>Mass</b>	
<b>Friday</b>	<b>August 2</b>	<b>(Fr. Herzog)</b>	
	<b>6:45-6:55</b>	<b>Confessions</b>	
	7:00am	<b>Mass</b>	
	<b>8:00am-5:00pm</b>	<b>Adoration</b>	
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>August 3</b>	<b>(Fr. Rubie)</b>	
	<b>4pm-4:45pm</b>	<b>Confessions</b>	
	5:00pm	<b>Mass</b>	
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>August 4</b>		
	8:00am	<b>Mass (Msgr. McCumber)</b>	
	<b>9:00am-9:15am</b>	<b>Confessions</b>	
	10:30am	<b>Mass (Fr. Herzog)</b>	

### Ministers of Service August 03 & 04 2024

#### MINISTERS OF SERVICE

08/03 5:00pm ~ Server needed L. Allman M. Hussmann  
 08/04 8:00am ~ Mal. & Mat. & Anders Verry  
 08/04 10:30am ~ B. Acosta S. Donovan Server Needed

#### LECTORS

08/03 5:00pm ~ L. Bub M. Hazelwood  
 08/04 8:00am ~ P. Dolan Patrick Dolan  
 08/04 10:30am ~ R. Provaznik C. Flottmann

#### THE GUILD of MOTHER ERNESTINE

#### (Sacristan Helpers)

08/03 5:00pm ~ A. Lewis & P. Williams **(Team B)**  
 08/04 8:00am ~ R. Jacknewitz  
 08/04 10:30am ~ C. Flottmann

## Why a Mass Offered for the People?—Explaining the importance of *Pro populo Masses*

For the next few weeks the Church will be delving into reading and reflecting on the incredible Eucharistic themes in chapter 6 of the Gospel of John. We'll have plenty of opportunities to reflect upon this chapter, which is huge for the central tenet of our faith: Jesus Christ present in the Blessed Sacrament. What a great way to reflect upon the Eucharist in John 6 while many pilgrims come home from their once in a lifetime experience at the Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis this past week. I look forward to journeying with all of you on reflecting, contemplating, and receiving the gift of the Holy Eucharist in word and sacrament these next few weeks.

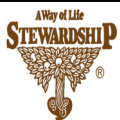
For the bulletin column this week I want to switch focus to something important, yet very much related to the Eucharist: the priest's offering of the *pro populo Masses*—the Mass offering for the people of the parish. While we all should acknowledge and believe that Jesus is truly and substantially present in the Holy Eucharist (i.e., the Real Presence), it is also equally important to believe that every Mass celebrated is a literal and substantial participation in Our Lord's Paschal Mystery—the life, death, and resurrection of our Lord. Every Mass we enter into the drama and salvific reality of Jesus' crucifixion, death, and resurrection. Just as Jesus was changed from the ignominy of the Cross into eternal life and glory through His resurrection, so too do we share in His glory as we experience the first fruits of the resurrection through sanctifying grace. This happens at every Mass we participate in when we come to church. This is true for ourselves and for the intentions we bring to Holy Mass.

This is why it is so important to not only participate in Mass in a full, active, and prayerful way, but to offer Mass intentions for our loved ones, whether they are alive or have gone before us in the sign of faith. Offering Masses for our loved ones, especially those who have died in this life, is a great way to continue to do things for our loved ones that truly affect their sanctification and readiness for heavenly bliss. Certainly most of you might understand this point about Mass intentions; yet, what about Masses said for the people of the parish? Canon law stipulates that Masses said for the people—*pro populo Masses*—are to be celebrated by the pastor or parochial administrator for one Mass for each Sunday and Holy Day of Obligation. This Mass intention is the obligation and duty of the pastor or parochial administrator because it is one of the most effective ways he prays for the people entrusted to his pastoral care. The *pro populo Mass* is celebrated by the pastor or parochial administrator even when he is on vacation or away from the parish during Sundays or Holy Days of Obligation.

Here at Little Flower you might have noticed in the bulletin or announced at Mass this past weekend the Mass intention, "For the people of Little Flower & St. Mary Magdalen." Since I am parochial administrator of both parishes, canon law allows me to do one *pro populo Mass* for both parishes. I have asked both parish administrative assistants to work with each other on having the *pro populo Masses* offered interchangeably at Little Flower and St. Mary Magdalen when I am scheduled for Mass. So if you don't see the *pro populo Mass* in the bulletin, rest assured the Mass is being offered for Little Flower parishioners at either St. Mary Magdalen or I'm offering it while being out of town. Please know it is a joy and privilege for me to celebrate the *pro populo Masses* for Little Flower parish. May we each keep each other in prayer, especially before our Lord in the Holy Eucharist!

In Christ the Savior,

Fr. Rubie  
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"There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish; but what good are these for so many?"

(John 6:9)

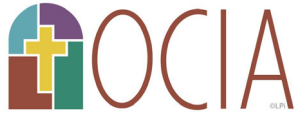
The miracle of the Loaves and Fishes carries two important messages. First, no matter how little we have, we always have enough to share. Second, Christ can take our humble gifts and do great things with them if we are just willing to let Him. Nothing is impossible with God. All of our gifts, big or small, were given to us for a reason. No gift is too small or insignificant!

## PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

That regardless of our own individual circumstance, we all recognize that we have the ability to share.

Amen





**OCIA LESSON – THE EUCHARIST IS HOLY COMMUNION**

Do you remember your First Holy Communion? How you prepared and longed for receiving Jesus? The Eucharist is spiritual food at the sacred meal—the Mass. Jesus commanded “Take this, all of you and eat it... Take this... and drink from it.” (Mt 26:26) By consuming his life, we become like him, and he dwells within us. Holy Communion thereby expresses two realities--intimacy with Christ and unity with the whole church. (Cor 10:17) As St. Paul taught: “Because the loaf of bread is one, we many though we are, are one body, for we all partake of the one loaf.”

Be assured that Jesus longs for us to receive him to be nourished in the divine life.

Source: Evangelium.

You are invited to join the Catholic Church. Please call 314-645-1445 for more information.



**Little Flower Parish**



*We need everyone to help make this next year fabulous!*

**Call Deb at the office  
314.645.1445 to sign up**

*The 5<sup>th</sup> Annual*  
**FESTIVAL OF SAINT LOUIS**

**AUGUST 17<sup>th</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

**HOLY ROSARY NOVENA - 6:30 P.M.**  
Apotheosis of St. Louis on Art Hill  
1 Fine Arts Drive, St. Louis, 6310

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**MUSIC OF THE CRUSADES CONCERT - 7 P.M.**  
St. Francis de Sales Oratory  
2653 Ohio Ave, St. Louis, MO 63118

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 24<sup>th</sup>**

**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, 63117

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 25<sup>th</sup>**

**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



**Rectory Summer Hours**

The rectory office hours for the summer  
Are Monday thru Thursday 6:45am to  
2:45pm. The office will be **closed** on  
Fridays.



Worldwide Marriage Encounter presents weekend experiences  
For married couples to rekindle romance, enhance meaningful  
Communication, and deepen and renew commitment. Below  
Are our remaining 2024 experiences. Sign-up now as space is  
Limited! For more information or to apply, go to [wwme.org](http://wwme.org) or  
Call Terry & Eric Engholm at 314-649-7317.

8/2/2024-8/4/2024 St. Peters, MO

9/27/2024-9/29/2024 St. Peters, MO.

10/11/2024-10/13/2024 Springfield, IL

12/6/2024-12/8/2024 St. Peters, MO



## THE LITTLE FLOWER COMMUNITY OPPORTUNITY



**National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows  
81st Annual Novena to Our Lady of the Snows  
Sunday, July 28, through Monday, August 5 Mass 7:30 p.m. nightly.**

**“Pondering the Word of God with Mary!”** - During our 81<sup>st</sup> Healing and Hope Novena to Our Lady of the Snows, we will embark on a reflective journey exploring Mary's role in the Gospels through various events in her life. This journey begins at the Annunciation, delving into the pivotal moments where the Word of God directed her Spirit and Life!

Each evening of the Novena includes Mass, special music, prayers, Scripture reflections and praying the rosary. Bilingual Celebrations on Wednesday, July 31, and Saturday, August 3. Anointing of the Sick on August 3.

For more information, call 618.394.6276. [www.snows.org](http://www.snows.org)



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.



**DID YOU KNOW?**

Did you know that if the Eucharist is Jesus kiss, Adoration is His embrace?

Need healing after abortion? Contact:  
 Abortion Healing Ministry, Archdiocese of St. Louis  
 Hopeline (call/text): 314.406.0815  
[hopehealing@archstl.org](mailto:hopehealing@archstl.org)  
[www.abortionchangesyou.com](http://www.abortionchangesyou.com)  
[www.supportafterabortion.com](http://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](http://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](http://therosary.online)    Scan here or go to: [novena.cardinalburke.com](http://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

<b>Monday</b>	<b>July 29</b>
7:00am	Helen Miller
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>July 30</b>
7:00am	Mary Lou McHaynes
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>July 31</b>
7:00am	Joe Kovarik
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>August 1</b>
7:00am	Celeste Herzog
<b>Friday</b>	<b>August 2</b>
7:00am	Ida Caroline Massey
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>August 3</b>
5:00pm	Ann Powers
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>August 4</b>
8:00am	Donald Mueller Sr.
10:30am	Joe Kovarik

**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*

*The souls of Jean Leonhardt (longtime Parishioner) and Joann Ruoff (longtime parishioner) and 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 Gloré 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        |                      |                   |

**Readings for the week of July 28, 2024**

**Sunday:** 2 Kgs 4:42-44/Ps 145:10-11, 15-16, 17-18 (see 16)/Eph 4:1-6/Jn 6:1-15

**Monday:** Jer 13:1-11/Ps 32:18-19, 20, 21/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

**Tuesday:** Jer 14:17-22/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Mt 13:36-43

**Wednesday:** Jer 15:10, 16-21/Ps 59:2-3, 4, 10-11, 17, 18/Mt 13:44-46

**Thursday:** Jer 18:1-6/Ps 146:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab/Mt 13:47-53

**Friday:** Jer 26:1-9/Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14/Mt 13:54-58

**Saturday:** Jer 26:11-16, 24/Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34/Mt 14:1-12

**Next Sunday:** Ex 16:2-4, 12-15/Ps 78:3-4, 23-24, 25, 54 (24b)/Eph 4:17, 20-24/Jn 6:24-35

**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 Arrendon-  
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 Ean Eicher