

LITTLE FLOWER PARISH

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 1 & 2, 2018

Little Flower Sunday Masses

Saturdays, 5:00 p.m.

Sundays, 10:00 a.m.

Reconciliation prior to all Masses OR by appointment

Weekday Masses

Tuesday to Friday 8:00 a.m.

Friday Adoration 7:30—8:00 a.m.

College Park I Retirement Residence Liturgy

1st & 3rd Thursday 10:30 am

College Park II Retirement Residence Liturgy

2nd & 4th Friday of the month 10:30 am

Broadway Terrace Liturgy

1st & 3rd Friday of the month 9:30 am

Little Flower Office Hours

Monday to Friday

8:30 a.m.—12:00 noon

1:00—3:30 pm

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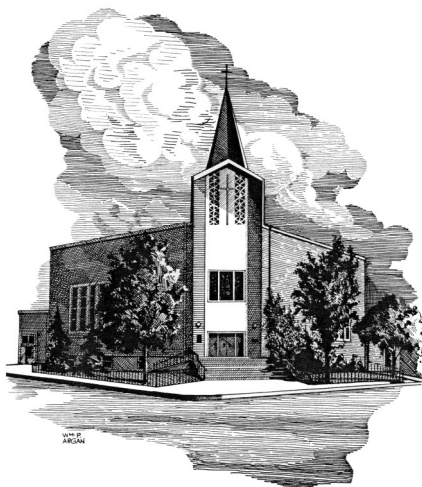
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Little Flower Parish is wheelchair accessible through the Edgar Street entrance.

MISSION STATEMENT: Little Flower Parish as a faith community reaches out to all in service, compassion and love to fulfill our mission of proclaiming the gospel daily in word and deed.

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Theme: As Christians, we are a people facing the future, taking our clues from the signs around us, making over this given world into God's world. Our over-whelming desire is to do whatever is necessary to bring into existence his kingdom, the New Jerusalem.

This Week in the Parish . . .

Daily Mass intentions as listed below:

Tues., Dec. 4	8:00 am	+Repose of Catherine Fahlman
Wed., Dec. 5	8:00 am	Intentions of Doreen Rousseau
Thurs., Dec. 6	8:00 am	+Repose of Robert Smith
Fri., Dec. 7	8:00 am	+Repose of Margaret Romaniuk
Sat., Dec. 8	5:00 pm	Intentions of Gabriel Blank

Weekday Lector/Altar Server: Barb Aman

A complete list of daily Mass intentions (December) may be found on the bulletin boards and the parish website.

Events:

Sun., Dec. 2	11:00 am	Korean Hospitality
	1:30 pm	First Reconciliation Retreat & Sacrament
Mon., Dec. 3	7:00 pm	RCIA
Tues, Dec. 4	9:30 am—3:00 pm	St. Nicholas Days with St. Augustine School
Wed., Dec. 5	9:30 am—3:00 pm	St. Nicholas Days with St. Augustine School
Sat., Dec. 8	3:45 pm	Baptism Session #8 school age children



**“The Lord is our
righteousness.”**

Hospital Chaplains

Catholic chaplains visit patients and their families to address any spiritual needs, to pray, to provide a friendly face and comforting presence, to talk about people's fears and concerns, to bring Communion, and to contact a priest for Anointing of the Sick.

If you or a family member wish to receive a visit from a chaplain, please call: General Hospital 306-519-1405, Pasqua Hospital 306-519-1380, Wascana Rehabilitation Centre 306-530-6511.

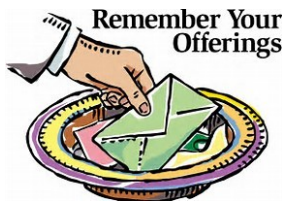
Also, please let your parish know if you are entering the hospital.

Offering of the Mass

By virtue of the “communion of saints,” the Church commends the dead to God's mercy and offers her prayers especially the holy sacrifice of the Eucharist, on their behalf. (Catechism of the Catholic Church). This practice dates as far back as Judas collecting a sin-offering for the dead, making an atonement so that they might be delivered from their sin. (2 Maccabees 12:39-45). Masses may also be offered for the intentions of the living or in thanksgiving. Masses may be requested through the parish office.

If you wish to have the Mass offered on a specific date, please make arrangements at least one month in advance.


Financial Update



Envelopes/Donations—111
Non-envelope collection
Total collection

"But when these signs begin to happen, stand erect and raise your heads because your redemption is at hand." Luke 21:28



 We celebrate Advent each year in preparation of the birth of Jesus, His first coming, as we await his second coming. In this Advent season, use the sacrament of Reconciliation to strengthen your relationship with Jesus. It's never too late.

Annual Appeal

On behalf of Archbishop Donald Bolen, the Archdiocese of Regina and all of the ministries and organizations we fund and support, we would like to thank everyone for their prayers and for their help in the various ministries of the Archdiocese. Thank you for your financial support to this year's Archbishop's Appeal. If you have not already done so, there is still time to make a contribution, as donations will be accepted until the end of December. Your contributions, regardless of size, will ensure that the mission of Christ will continue and that the Church of Christ will grow to touch the lives of others, making the peace and grace of Christ known throughout the Archdiocese of Regina.



Contributions to date—\$25,165 from 131 contributors. This represents 92% of our target of \$27,297 from 26% of our parishioners. Thank you for your generosity. Thank you also to those of you who have returned your cards, however we still have not received 71% (352) of the cards that were mailed.

Office Closed

The parish office will be closed Monday, December 3. In case of an emergency, please leave a message on our voice mail.



St. Augustine School Santa Store

Drop off donations (small items that students can choose to purchase for a small sum for their family members) – December 17 and 18. Help out at the Santa Store on December 19 and 20. If you are able to help, please call St. Augustine at 306-791-7310.



Food Drive


Our next Food Drive weekend will be December 8 & 9. Please remember those who do not have the variety or excess that we tend to enjoy during the holiday



		Nov 25 Over (short) from target	Jan 1-Nov 25 Over (short) from target
Collection Nov 25	Target Nov 25		
\$ 3,076			
\$ 403			
\$3,479	\$4,063	(\$ 584)	(\$43,271)

Prayer Ministry

Please pray for the needs of the sick of our parish, the homebound, those in nursing homes and those who care for them, especially: Florence Barrow, Germain Beaurivage, Fr. Lorne Crozon, Adam Eberle, Tony Fahlman, Dean Hutchence, Mary Kish, Jean Leier, Fr. Don McNeil, Fr. Emmett Morrissey, Theresa Periyilkatte, Claudia Sali, Margaret Schaeffer, Kathleen Wingerter and Louise Wingerter. Please also, keep in your prayers all who are grieving the death of a loved one.



*In Our
Thoughts
and Prayers*



We Welcome into the Family of Christ:

Mary Yensy Kouadio, Alerah Pearl Ross, and Bohem Anthony Perras who were baptised on Sunday, November 25.

College Park I Knitters

The College Park Knitters invite you to their open house Tuesday, December 4 from 3—4 pm. Their varied projects will be on display prior to being delivered to our Advent Knitting Tree. Please join them, as a way of saying “thanks” for their dedication and hard work.



Movie Sunday

December 16, 2018
2pm

Not a movie this month....more a story of a Harvard Professor named Roy Schoeman, who experiences an encounter with the Blessed Virgin Mary. Very Inspiring and insightful....come satisfy your curiosity and be simply amazed and proud to be Catholic. A wonderfully spent 45 minutes during this Advent season.



Vocation View

Be on the watch! Allow God to lead you in the ways of truth and justice. How is God calling you to serve?
(*Jeremiah 33:14-16*)

Advent Resources

2019 Sunday Missals Our missals for 2019 are available at the back of the church for a minimal cost of \$5 each.

Daily Online Advent Reflections

Sign up for emails:

- <https://dynamiccatholic.com>
Best Advent Ever 2018 (Matthew Kelly)
- <https://www.wordonfire.org>
<https://dailycatholicgospel.com>
Bishop Barron's Daily Gospel Reflections

Visit the website:

- www.ignatianspirituality.com
Arts and Faith: Advent (video series)
Sacred Space (daily prayers)
- <http://onlineministries.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/Advent/>
Praying Advent
- <http://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/liturgical-year/advent/advent>
United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

Advent Knitting Tree

If you have any items to donate to our tree, they may be brought to Mass and left at the back of the church or to the office any time during office hours. We truly appreciate the time, talent and treasure and love that goes into each and every garment brought in. We still have a good selection of yarn in the Pamphlet Room for those who like to knit/crochet during the winter months. Finished items may be brought in at any time.



Women at the Well

A Catholic Women's Event for women thirsting for an encounter with Jesus. Join other women for a short reflection, discussion, time of silence, prayer and fellowship. Saturday, December 8 at Marian Centre 1835 Halifax St. 2:00-3:00 please ring the bell at the blue door on the south side.

"As One Who Serves"

Some of us may know the story of St. Lawrence, but many may not know Lawrence was a deacon. At different times in Church history, deacons have often been responsible for material goods of the Church. This was the case in Lawrence's time, and the Roman authorities knew it. One day they accosted Lawrence and demanded he turn over the wealth of the Church. Lawrence promised he would meet them with it the next day. At the appointed time and place Lawrence showed up with the poor of Rome, boldly pronouncing, "Here is the wealth of the Church!" In iconography the symbol by which we recognize St. Lawrence is a grill. While the Roman authorities didn't think Lawrence's stunt was very funny, Lawrence himself kept his sense of humour. As he was being martyred on a grill, Lawrence is reputed to have gently mocked his tormentors saying, "You can turn me over now, I'm done on this side."

If you're considering a call to the diaconate, but feeling a little hesitant, perhaps a prayer to St. Lawrence for holy boldness is in order. Then you can call Dr. Brett Salkeld, Archdiocesan Theologian at 306-352-1651, ext. 214 to talk about whether permanent diaconate might be God's call for you.

TF115: Our King Comes

What happens when you leave a Deacon alone in the recording studio? Deacon Eric explores while musing on the Liturgical Year, Solemnities and Kings. What's the connection between all of this and St. Ignatius' Spiritual Exercises? Find out this week on Thinking Faith!

<http://thinkingfaith.libsyn.com/tf115-our-king-comes>

Little Flower's Children's Choir

There will be a practice for any interested children after Sunday Mass, on December 2 while Donut Days will be held in the auditorium downstairs.

Please have your children come to sit near the piano right after Mass. Rehearsal will last approximately a half hour while parents can have coffee, donuts and Fellowship with other parishioners, or come learn and sing the Christmas Carols with us.



All children are most welcomed to come learn Christmas Carols with other youth from our parish.

Hot chocolate and cookies will be given to all children after rehearsal which will end by 11:30 am

Thank you for your interest in this new endeavor. I hope to have a good turnout so we can continue with the Children's Choir and come together to sing our praises to the Lord.

Kelly Family Christmas

Kelly Family Christmas Sunday, December 16 at 4 pm. Holy Trinity RC Church, 5020 Sherwood Drive, Regina. 90 minutes of live seasonal music from talented Saskatchewan singers and musicians celebrating the "Reason for the Season". Advance Tickets Adults \$20. Youth (16 and under) \$5; Children (5 & under) free, from the office during regular hours, or after weekend Masses at Holy Trinity. Tickets at the door – Adults \$25; Youth \$10. 306-543-3838.

Advent and Christmas Books and DVD's

Looking for a fruitful and meaningful Advent and Christmas Celebration with your family? Advent and Christmas Books and DVDs are available at the Archdiocesan Resource Centre 445 Broad Street North, Regina. We are open Monday – Friday 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.