

LITTLE FLOWER PARISH

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 15 & 16, 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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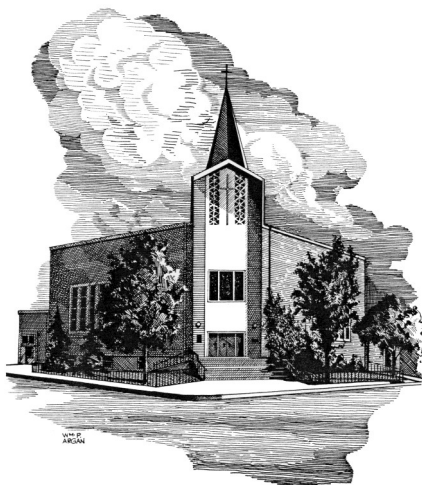
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Little Flower Parish is wheelchair accessible through the Edgar Street entrance.

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: Each one of us has something specific we should do to get ready for the Lord's coming. When a guest is coming to the house, there is a flurry of activity: cleaning, preparing guest rooms, shopping for food. But now, "The Lord is near," and it's time to get ready. What should you do?

This Week in the Parish . . .

Daily Mass intentions as listed below:

Tues., Dec. 18	8:00 am	Intentions of Denise Arevalo
Wed., Dec. 19	8:00 am	+Repose of Thomas Periyilkatte
Thurs., Dec. 20	8:00 am	+Repose of Margaret Romaniuk
Fri., Dec. 21	8:00 am	+Repose of Thomas Periyilkatte
Sat., Dec. 22	5:00 pm	+Repose of Walter Wittal

Weekday Lector/Altar Server: Jean Zdunich

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

Events:

Mon., Dec. 17	7:00 pm	Parish Advent Reconciliation Service
Wed., Dec. 19	6:00 pm	CWL meeting
Sun., Dec. 23	11:00 am	Korean Hospitality



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.

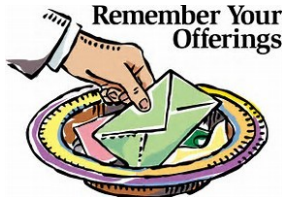
Also, please let your parish know if you are entering the hospital.

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—115
 Non-envelope collection
 Total collection

Collection Dec 9	Target Dec 9	Dec 9 Over (short) from target	Jan 1-Dec 9 Over (short) from target
\$ 5,481			
\$ 381			
\$5,862	\$4,886	\$ 976	(\$44,028)

“Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God.” Philippians 4:6



St. Paul reminds us that our God is an abundant God, the ultimate giver of gifts. He promises to give us all that we need. When we trust that God will take care of us, it is easier for us to share what we have been given.

Annual Appeal

Contributions to date—\$26,075 from 148 contributors. This represents 96% of our target of \$27,297 from 30% 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 63% (314) of the cards that were mailed.



Little Flower Children`s Choir

Another practice for our Children`s Choir will take place on Sunday, December 16 after Mass. Please meet by the piano following Mass. Hot chocolate and cookies will be served after the practice. We hope to see both old and new faces there!



Mass Journal Details

EXPECT God to communicate with you

ASK GOD: GOD Show me one way in this Mass that I can become a-better-version-of-myself this week !!

LISTEN:

- to the music
- to the readings
- to the prayers
- to the homily
- to the quiet of your heart

THE ONE THING will strike you !!! Write it down and pray about how you will incorporate that into your life this week.

These guides are available on the tables at the back of the church.

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 Beurivage, 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.



Jae Woong Rah & Jinkyung Kim—December 14
 Steve & Jane Ottenbreit—December 20—43 years
 Richest blessings to both our couples. You are a particular witness of God`s love and fidelity amongst us!

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.



Advent Reconciliation at Little Flower

Monday, December 17
 7 pm

One good way to prepare ourselves spiritually for Christmas is to set aside time for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. The grace of the sacrament helps us to avoid even venial sin, and frequent examination of our failings helps us to resolve to do better in the future.



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

Little Blue Book

Journey through Advent & Christmas with six-minute reflections on the Sunday Gospels of Year C. Cost \$3 each. These may be found at the back of the church. It is not too late to pick one up for the remainder of Advent.

Thanks

Thank you to those who supported the **Development & Peace** fall campaign, signing the post cards. One hundred cards were signed and will be forwarded to Members of Parliament in Ottawa.

December's **Food Drive** was amazing! Thank you for your generosity in sharing your treasure toward those who do not have as much as we do. We also delivered two large boxes of toiletries and bought groceries with the money that has been donated.



“As One Who Serves”

While it is always the case that a person's spirituality is unique and can be fed by many streams of the broad Catholic tradition, it is also true that a deacon's spirituality will have some key features. In particular, a deacon's spirituality will be shaped by the Word of God, especially as experienced through the praying of the Liturgy of the Hours, and by his encounter with those whom he serves in the name of Christ and the Church. As clergy, deacons are obligated to pray the morning and evening hours of the Liturgy of the Hours. Outside of the Mass, this is the other major element of the official liturgy of the Church and it is a rich treasure of Scripture that embeds the Word of God into one's daily life, almost like breathing. The other element of diaconal spirituality is sometimes called “towel and basin” spirituality, after the scene in John's Gospel where Christ washes the feet of the disciples, giving them a model for their own ministry of service.

If the idea of living the Word of God deeply through prayer and service stirs your heart to consider a call to the diaconate, contact Dr. Brett Salkeld, Archdiocesan Theologian at 306-352-1651, ext. 214 or e-mail him at bretzky@hotmail.com.

~The Spirit of Giving~ Christmas Gift Suggestions

- To Your Enemy ~ Forgiveness
- To An Opponent ~ Tolerance
- To A Friend ~ Your Heart
- To A Customer ~ Service
- To All ~ Charity
- To Every Child ~ A Good Example
- To Yourself ~ Respect



23rd Anniversary
of Ordination
Sunday, December 30, 2018
11 am



Please join us as we help Father Jose celebrate his anniversary with cake and coffee after Mass.

Holiday Mass Schedule

Monday, December 24, Christmas Eve
7:00 & 10:00 pm

Tuesday, December 25, Christmas Day
10:00 am

Saturday, December 29
5:00 pm

Sunday, December 30,
Feast of the Holy Family
10:00 am

Tuesday, January 1, New Year's Day
Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
10:00 am

Today is a Holy Day of Obligation, a day that The Faithful are obliged to participate in the Mass.