

*February 14, 2021 / 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

*"Lord, if you will it,  
you can make me clean."*

*"I do will it. Be made clean."*



**SUNDAY MASS**  
9:00 am, 11:30 am, & 8:00 pm  
Saturday Vigil 5:30 pm

**DAILY MASS**  
Monday - Friday 8:30 am  
Saturday 8:00 am



## Our Mission

Driven by the missionary zeal of St. Thérèse,  
the Lord anoints us to proclaim  
to the poor and broken  
the Good News  
that Jesus calls us to abundant life in Him.

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### Reconciliation Times

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday ..... After 8:30 am Mass  
Saturday ..... 8:30 to 9:30 am, and 4:30 to 5:00 pm  
(Or By Appointment.)

### Eucharistic Exposition & Adoration

Saturday ..... 8:30-9:30 am  
Most Mondays, Wednesdays, & Fridays ..... 9:00-10:00 am

### Additional Sacraments

**Baptism & Anointing of the Sick**—Contact the office for more information.

**Marriage**—Please contact the office at least 6 months in advance.

### Office Hours

Monday-Friday ..... 9:00 am-4:00 pm  
Closed Wednesdays ..... 10:00 am-12:00 pm



## This Week's Mass Intentions

### Saturday, February 13

5:30 pm †Greg Calhoun

12:00 pm

Intentions of Joellen Conrardy

6:30 pm

For the Holy Souls in Purgatory

### Sunday, February 14

9:00 am The Parish Family of  
St. Thérèse, Little Flower

11:30 am Intentions of Libet Kuehn

8:00 pm For Christopher & Paula Romanoski- for  
rebuilding after a fire

### Thursday, February 18

8:30 am †Catherine Griffin

### Friday, February 19

8:30 am Intentions of Mary Roemer

### Monday, February 15

8:30 am †Deceased members of the Schmidt Family

### Saturday, February 20

8:00 am †Connie Johnson

5:30 pm †Ron Mudwilder

### Tuesday, February 16

8:30 am †Mary Brown

### Sunday, February 21

9:00 am †Matthew Vu Phong Pham

11:30 am †Matija Plecnik

8:00 pm The Parish Family of St. Thérèse, Little Flower

### Wednesday, February 17 – Ash Wednesday

8:30 am †Cecilia Bauters



I would like to give a renovation update, as it has been a number of weeks since I have done so.

Our initial hopes were that the renovations would be complete or near complete for Easter. It is now clear that this is no longer going to be possible, due to various complications with fabrication times for our custom stone cuts for the steps of the sanctuary and for the lights. Things have been moving slowly, as we are mostly at a stand-still awaiting these necessary parts of the project.

Another misfortune is that due to these delays, the pews will probably not be installed until around early May, because we would prefer to not move them multiple times for the installation of the lights and new carpet that will be (hopefully) late April. Early May is also the tentative time-frame when we will see the marble installed in the sanctuary, including the donated statue of St. Thérèse in the devotional area. I am not sure about when they plan to install the glass divider for the chapel area (including a door), but think that might be done during Lent.

We are also receiving another statue of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, but I don't intend that to go in the sanctuary or devotional area. I am not 100% certain where it will end up, but I like the idea of where the relics currently reside, as they should probably move to where St. Thérèse's statue will be and thus be more visible for veneration and prayer. Sorry if that was a lot to imagine and process, but I wanted everyone to be aware of how things are moving along.

*"Rend your hearts, not your garments, and return to the Lord, your God."* This cry from the prophet Joel echoes in our churches every Ash Wednesday.

Speaking about the heart, the Catechism of the Catholic

Church tells us the following in paragraphs 2518-2519:

*The sixth beatitude proclaims, "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God." "Pure in heart" refers to those who have attuned their intellects and wills to the demands of God's holiness, chiefly in three areas: charity; chastity or sexual rectitude; love of truth and orthodoxy of faith. There is a connection between purity of heart, of body, and of faith: The faithful must believe the articles of the Creed "so that by believing they may obey God, by obeying may live well, by living well may purify their hearts, and with pure hearts may understand what they believe." (St. Augustine) The "pure in heart" are promised that they will see God face to face and be like him. Purity of heart is the precondition of the vision of God. Even now it enables us to see according to God, to accept others as "neighbors"; it lets us perceive the human body - ours and our neighbor's - as a temple of the Holy Spirit, a manifestation of divine beauty.*

We have many opportunities for this most important work during Lent in our parish. Please refer to this bulletin and the parish website for a full list of events. Our Friday Stations of the Cross will be at the same time as the past (5:30pm), and we are replacing the soup suppers (which are not feasible with the current COVID precautions) with videos from the Chosen series (two short episodes each week). When we watched these last Spring they were a hit with those who came. I highly encourage attending, or watching on your own if you cannot come join the parish viewing.

Our parish is offering a book for your Lenten journey as well. At the entrance of the church (or in parish office Mon-Fri) you can take a copy for your reflection and growth in faith. St. Teresa of Kolkata ("Mother Teresa") will be a sure and inspiring guide for us this Lent!

*F. Terry*

## Lent 2021

### ASH WEDNESDAY MASS

February 17 | 8:30 am, 12 noon, 6:30 pm

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays in Lent | 5:30 pm

### CONFESSION

Monday-Wednesday, and Fridays | 9:00-9:30 am

Saturdays | 8:30 am, 4:30-5:15 pm

The Light is on for You | March 9th, 6:00-8:00 pm

Evening of Reconciliation | March 30th, 5:30 - 8:30 pm

For the full schedule of opportunities for prayer and growth at our parish this Lenten season visit: [littleflowerchurch.org/living-the-liturgical-year](http://littleflowerchurch.org/living-the-liturgical-year) or scan the code below.



## Text of the Propers— Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time

*The Propers of the Mass include the Scriptural texts that change with the liturgical calendar. The Proper texts which will be chanted by a cantor are the Introit (when the priest processes to the altar), Offertory (when the altar is prepared for the Liturgy of the Eucharist), and Communion.*

**Introit:** “Be unto me a protecting God, and a house of refuge to save me; for you are my support and my refuge; and for the sake of your name, you will lead me and nourish me.” (Psalm 31:3-4)

**Offertory:** “Blessed are you, O Lord, teach me your commandments. O Lord, you are blessed, teach me your commandments. With my lips have I declared all the judgments spoken by your mouth.” (Psalm 119:12-13)

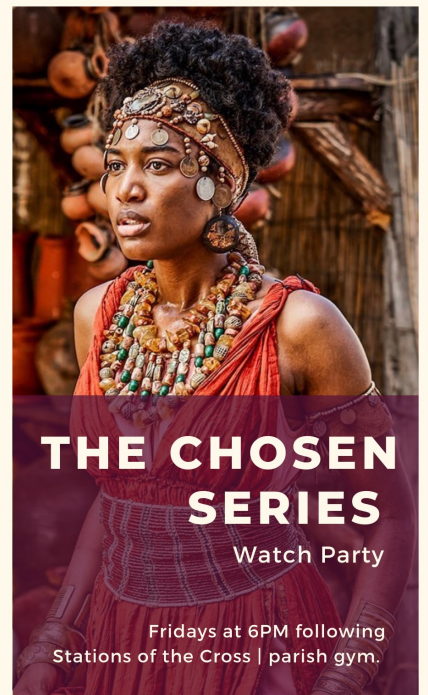
**Communion:** “They ate and were fully satisfied; the Lord gave them all that they desired; they were not deprived of their wants.” (Psalm 78:29)

## Ash Wednesday Mass Interpreted for the Deaf

An interpreter for the deaf will be present at the 12:05 p.m. Ash Wednesday Mass on February 17 at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Fort Wayne, 1122 S. Clinton St. and at the 5:30 p.m. Ash Wednesday Mass at St. Matthew Cathedral in South Bend, 1701 Miami St. If you would like to raise awareness for the Deaf Ministry and assist its efforts to provide support for the deaf members of the Catholic community in our diocese, contact Allison Sturm at [asturm@diocesefwsb.org](mailto:asturm@diocesefwsb.org) or 260-399-1452.

## Readings for the Week of February 14, 2021

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Lv 13:1-2, 44-46; Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11; 1 Cor 10:31–11:1; Mk 1:40-45
<b>Monday</b>	Gn 4:1-15, 25; Ps 50:1 and 8, 16bc-17, 20-21; Mk 8:11-13
<b>Tuesday</b>	Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10; Ps 29:1a and 2, 3ac-4, 3b and 9c-10; Mk 8:14-21
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Ash Wednesday</b> Jl 2:12-18; Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17; 2 Cor 5:20–6:2; Mt 6: 1-6, 16-18
<b>Thursday</b>	Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6; Lk 9:22-25
<b>Friday</b>	Is 58:1-9a; Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19; Mt 9:14-15
<b>Saturday</b>	Is 58:9b-14; Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Lk 5:27-32
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>First Sunday of Lent</b> Gn 9:8-15; Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; 1 Pt 3:18-22; Mk 1:12-15





Kingdom  
Builders

Date: Thursday, February 18, 2021  
Time: 7:00-8:30 PM  
Location: St. Thérèse, Little Flower  
Teaching: Ocean of God's Mercy

Lent is a time to detach from the world so Jesus can bring forth a deeper healing within us. Jesus is inviting us to spend time with Him ~ free of distraction. He is longing to hold us close, tend to every wound, and pour out the Ocean of His Mercy. Ladies, come join us to find the peace and joy our Heavenly Father desires for you. All Women Welcome.

Please contact Lynn by emailing [shawnandlynnhandley@yahoo.com](mailto:shawnandlynnhandley@yahoo.com) if you have any questions or check out our website at [www.buildingthroughhim.com](http://www.buildingthroughhim.com)



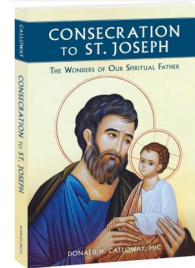
## Healing Prayer Corner: Can You Identify?

Today's First Reading from Leviticus is disconcerting. If it was determined the person had leprosy, he or she would be declared "unclean" and isolated from the community. Sound eerily familiar? Today, if you have a new loss of taste or smell or numerous other symptoms of COVID-19, you need to get tested. If you test positive, you need to quarantine. If you become seriously ill, you need to be isolated in a hospital. Until you are well, you are "unclean," separated from loved ones or from your community. Can you identify with that?

COVID-19 has captured the attention of the nation, approaching a half million dead in spite of the heroic efforts of doctors and nurses. But people are suffering no less from cancer, heart diseases, diabetes, addiction, and many other diseases, all requiring professional expertise. People are also suffering and dying from neglect, loneliness, abuse, violence, poverty, hunger, fed by indifference and willful ignorance. The wounds and brokenness of our community require a response of love, compassion, kindness, generosity, prayer, and sometimes bold action.

## Consecration to St. Joseph

The men of the parish are invited to participate individually in the 33-day Consecration to St. Joseph authored by Fr. Donald Calloway, MIC. Set to begin on February 15th, the consecration will conclude on March 19, the Feast of St. Joseph. All men are invited to pray the closing consecration prayer at daily Mass on the 19th as well as at the "Meat & Greet" scheduled for 6:00 PM that evening.



How long has it been since you  
felt all the pieces were in place?

*Be made whole again...*



Confession available  
at every Catholic Parish  
Tuesday, March 9, 2021  
6:00-8:00 P.M.

**The Light Is On For You!**  
ONE NIGHT • EVERY PARISH • EVERY CONFESSIONAL



[diocesefwsb.org/light](http://diocesefwsb.org/light)

## The Light Is On for You

This Lent, every Catholic parish in the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend will have Confessions available on Tuesday, March 9, from 6:00-8:00 pm. If you have been reluctant to come to the Sacrament, have been away for some time, or just find it difficult to get to a Saturday afternoon Confession time, this is a wonderful opportunity to reconnect with Christ and His Church.

## A Final Request & Thank You

The Social Justice Commission invites parishioners to provide financial support for Faith in Indiana St. Joe County. If you haven't had a chance to hear Andre Stoner, community organizer of FISJC, speak at the 9:00 Mass on January 31, you may do so by viewing the recording of the Mass on our YouTube channel (St. Therese, Little Flower Catholic Church South Bend). He speaks after Communion.

You may donate by one of the following means: (1) put a check or cash donation in a separate envelope in the offertory box in the entry way of the church, designating it for FISJC; (2) send a check to Little Flower, designating the donation on the memo line to FISJC; (3) you may bring a donation to the Little Flower office. Thank you!

## January Outreach Report

In January, the Outreach Program provided \$9,145.35 in assistance to 32 families or individuals for 34 accounts. The average amount per family was higher than usual. The decision was made to offer assistance that would give more breathing room for folks who were really backed against a wall, particularly with their utility bills.

One such person was a woman who asked for assistance with her electric bill. She had a part-time job that paid an hourly wage that wasn't livable. It was the most she could do because of health issues, initiated by seizures she suffered four years ago. She is a cancer survivor. Now she had a surgery coming up. As if that wasn't enough, then we heard unspeakable tragedy. Recently her fiancée died of a massive stroke. She went to her mom's for comfort, and while she was there, her mom's husband, her stepfather, died suddenly. Same day! No matter the tragedy and personal suffering, bills still needed to be paid. Even more than with her electric bill, we were thankful to be able to reach out, albeit through the phone line, and pray with her.

Thank you for your generosity that enabled us to help this woman, and all the people you enable us to assist.

## February Food Pantry Dates

The Little Flower Food Pantry will be open on **Tuesdays, February 19th & 23rd from 1:30 pm to 3:15 pm.**

Details -

- 1 household per car
- Please bring photo ID & current piece of mail
- One visit per household per month

## Mass and Holy Hour at Holy Family

The 6 pm Mass on Monday, February 15, at Holy Family Church located at 56405 Mayflower will be followed by a Holy Hour of Reparation. Please join in adoration and prayer. The third Monday of each month will be observed in the same manner. All are invited. Questions, please call 250-2484.

**MARIAN**

**INCOMING FRESHMEN**

DON'T FORGET

# APPLICATIONS

FOR THE 2021-22 SCHOOL YEAR

**ARE DUE FRIDAY, FEB. 26**

HAVE QUESTIONS? NEED TECH  
OR LANGUAGE ASSISTANCE?

**APPLICATION NIGHT:**  
FEB 11 @ 6:30PM IN MARIAN LIBRARY

**FINANCIAL AID IS AVAILABLE**

**FINANCIAL AID NIGHTS:**  
LAST NAMES A-L: MARCH 2 @ 6:30PM  
LAST NAMES M-Z: MARCH 18 @ 6:30PM

[www.marianhs.org/apply/](http://www.marianhs.org/apply/)



## 40 Days for Life Campaign: February 17th -March 28th

Transform your life and help the unborn!

Be a voice for the innocent as we pray, and fast at the clinic or the Chapel to show opposition to abortion! Apostolate of Divine Mercy South Bend needs your help! Join us as we pray, fast and represent the unborn in front of Whole Woman's Health in South Bend. The Apostolate will hold Adoration on Tuesday and Friday 8:30-1:30 followed by Mass. Adoration on Wednesday after the 1:30 Mass until 5pm. More information at [www.divinemercyforlife](http://www.divinemercyforlife) or [40daysforlife/SouthBend](http://40daysforlife/SouthBend). Text Shawn at 574-286-7860 Apostolate Chapel location 2018 Ironwood Circle South Bend. Whole Woman's Abortion Clinic 3511 Lincolnway West South Bend.

## Job Posting

Catholic Charities is seeking part-time clerical assistance for some evening and Saturday hours. Interested individuals may fill out an application for this position at 1817 Miami Street, South Bend or submit a resume online at [www.ccfwsb.org/careers](http://www.ccfwsb.org/careers). We are also seeking a full time Community Services Manager and are accepting resumes only through our website at [www.ccfwsb.org/careers](http://www.ccfwsb.org/careers).

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