



# Church of the LITTLE FLOWER



**BULLETIN/BOLETIN**

**FEBRUARY 9TH**  
V SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**9 DE FEBRERO**  
V DOMINGO EN TIEMPO ORDINARIO



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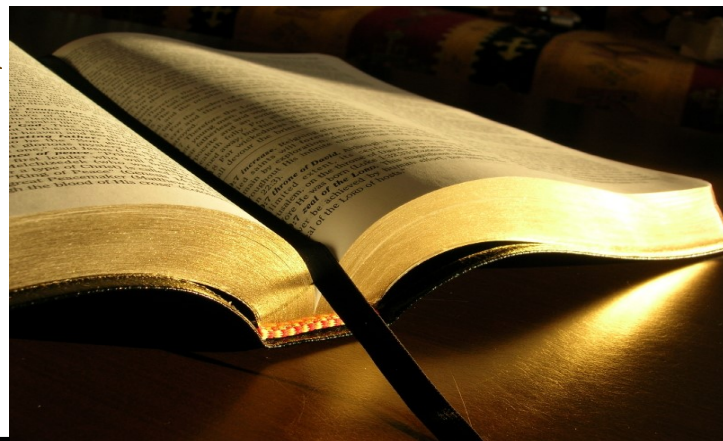
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Together, Worshipping the Lord, Forming Disciples, Serving in the Name of Jesus  
Juntos, Adorando al Señor, Formando Discípulos, Sirviendo en Nombre de Jesús



## READINGS OF THE WEEK / LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

<b>Sunday/Domingo:</b>	Is 58:7-10; Ps 112:4-9; 1 Cor 2:1-5; Mt 5:13-16
<b>Monday/Lunes:</b>	1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13; Ps 132:6-7, 8-10; Mk 6:53-56
<b>Tuesday/Martes:</b>	1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30; Ps 84:3-5, 10-11; Mk 7:1-13
<b>Wednesday/Miercoles:</b>	1 Kgs 10:1-10; Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40; Mk 7:14-23
<b>Thursday/Jueves:</b>	1 Kgs 11:4-13; Ps 106:3-4, 35-37, 40; Mk 7:24-30
<b>Friday/Viernes:</b>	1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19; Ps 81:10-11ab, 12-15; Mk 7:31-37
<b>Saturday/Sabado:</b>	1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34; Ps 106:6-7ab, 19-22; Mk 8:1-10
<b>Sunday/Domingo:</b>	Sir 15:15-20; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34; 1 Cor 2:6-10; Mt 5:17-37 [20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37]



## MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

### Sunday, February 9<sup>th</sup>

#### 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 am	Elizabeth Diskin
9:00 am	Intentions of the Murdock Family
10:30 am	<b>Missa Pro Populo</b> - For All Members of the Parish Family
12:30 pm †	Ricardo Ramirez
5:30 pm †	Ana Maria Monasterio, Urbano Monasterio, & Angel Gonzalez

### Monday, February 10<sup>th</sup>

#### Memorial of St. Scholastica, Virgin

6:15 am	Intentions of the Murdock Family
8:00 am	Natty Quintero's 90th Birthday
5:30 pm	<b>Misa Comunitaria</b>

### Tuesday, February 11<sup>th</sup>

#### Memorial of Our Lady of Lourdes & World Day of the Sick

6:15 am	In Thanksgiving for Peter Murdock
8:00 am †	Martha Di Paola Merlo
5:30 pm	<b>Misa Comunitaria</b>

### Wednesday, February 12<sup>th</sup>

#### Wednesday of Week V in Ordinary Time

6:15 am	Intentions of the Murdock Family
8:00 am †	Paul McAffrey
5:30 pm	<b>Misa Comunitaria</b>

### Thursday, February 13<sup>th</sup>

#### Thursday of Week V in Ordinary Time

6:15 am	Intentions of the Murdock Family
8:00 am †	Eloisa & Enrique Artze
5:30 pm	<b>Misa Comunitaria</b>

### Friday, February 14<sup>th</sup>

#### Memorial of Sts. Cyril, Monk & Methodius, Bishop

6:15 am	Intentions of the Murdock Family
8:00 am	Zita & Stuart Danoff
5:30 pm	<b>Misa Comunitaria</b>

### Saturday, February 15<sup>th</sup>

#### Saturday of Week V in Ordinary Time

8:00 am	Perlita Domingo
5:00 pm	Family of Novoa Ayra & Iribar Alvarez

### Sunday, February 16<sup>th</sup>

#### 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 am †	Juliana Guerrero
9:00 am †	Hortencia & Mario Campanioni
10:30 am	<b>Missa Pro Populo</b> - For All Members of the Parish Family
12:30 pm †	Doris Nodal & Deceased Family Members
5:30 pm †	Virgilio Diaz

## PARISH EVENTS CALENDAR

### Sunday, February 9<sup>th</sup>

Marriage Covenant Bake Sale
9:00 am STS 4th Grade Mass - C
2:00 pm Baptisms - C
3:00 pm Homeless Ministry Service Day @ MRM

### Monday, February 10<sup>th</sup>

10:00 am Seekers Bible Study - RPC
6:45 pm STS First Confessions - C
7:00 pm Bible Study - RPC
7:00 pm Cristo en Cuba - CAF
7:30 pm Emaus de Hombres - RPC

### Tuesday, February 11<sup>th</sup>

9:15 am ESL Classes - RPC
7:00 pm Healing Mass - C
7:00 pm RCIA - RPC
7:00 pm Legion of Mary - LH
7:30 pm Talleres de Oracion: Matrimonios - RPC
8:00 pm Charismatic Prayer Group - RPC

### Wednesday, February 12<sup>th</sup>

No Religious Education Classes
6:45 pm STS First Confessions - C
7:30 pm Women's Emmaus - RPC
7:30 pm Grupo de Oración Carismático - RPC
7:30 pm Legion de Maria (Español) - LH

### Thursday, February 13<sup>th</sup>

7:00 pm Seraphic Fire Concert - CH
7:00 pm Cursillos - RPC
7:00 pm Talleres de Oracion - RPC
7:00 pm Cub Scouts - CAF
7:30 pm Men's Emmaus - RPC
7:30 pm Boy Scouts - SCT

### Friday, February 14<sup>th</sup>

7:30 pm Grupo de Oración Carismático - RPC
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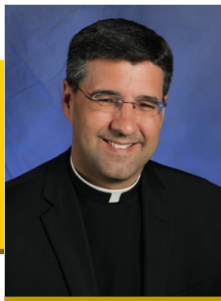
### Saturday, February 15<sup>th</sup>

No Religious Education Classes
8:30 am Confessions - C
10:30 am - 12:30pm Baptisms - C
3:00 pm Wedding: <b>Philip Thomas O'Connor &amp; Malone Plummer</b>
6:45 pm Wedding: <b>William A. Gomez-Moller &amp; Daniella A. Vilar</b>

### Sunday, February 16<sup>th</sup>

Women's Emmaus Bake Sale
2:00 pm Baptisms - C





## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

*My Dear Friends,*

At 3:00am, the alarm goes off at the local firehouse. There's been an accident nearby and our firefighters and first responders race to the scene. So many times they save a life, but as so often happens with this line of work, with this calling, it's the lives you don't save that stay with you. It's the horrible things they see that they must take back to the firehouse, only to run out again when the alarm goes off. All for people they have never met.

Our first responders, and obviously the members of our armed forces, are some of the most heroic people that I have ever met. They endure so much, see so much, and more often than not, see the worst of humanity, whether it be war, domestic violence, drug overdoses, drunk driving accidents ... and they keep showing up for their shifts.

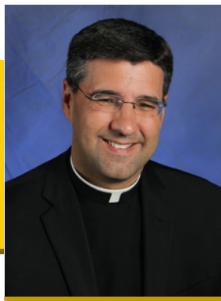
This Sunday I am not with you because I am walking with firefighters from across South Florida in the Miami Half-Marathon to raise awareness for Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD). Many of you may or may not know that a little over five years ago, my youngest brother passed away because of PTSD. He was a firefighter for the City of Miami Fire Department. Two months after his death, one of his brother firefighters walked the Miami Half-Marathon in full firefighting gear (that's over 50 lbs. for 13.1 miles). Soon, other first responders started walking with him, including members of my family. Each year I would tell them that I would join them "next year." Well, next year has come, and I proudly stand with these courageous men and women who lay their lives down for each one of us. "There is no greater love than to lay down your life for a friend (John 15:13)."

The reason I share this experience with you is because two weeks ago, a parishioner reached out to me because he wanted to do more for our veterans and first responders to provide "God-centered" support for these brothers and sisters of ours. This Marine Corp veteran sat with me and explained how important it is for military vets and first responders to feel the presence of God in their work and the support of their community, especially their faith community. I look forward to working with this new ministry and sharing its successes with our parish family. We have so many parishioners who are military veterans, active members of our armed forces, police officers, firefighters, and paramedics, to say nothing of the brave men and women of the Coral Gables and Miami-Dade Police and Fire Departments who, while they all might not be parishioners, also deserve our admiration because they serve and protect us.

Quite often as a priest, I've had to sit down with a veteran who has returned from war or with a first responder who is suffering from PTSD because they can't forget the lives that they couldn't save. Today I ask you to pray for them, to pray for their families, and to thank God for their service. We are indebted to them because when we dial 911, they answer the call and come to our aid.

May St. Florian, patron saint of firefighters, and St. Michael the Archangel, patron saint of the military and of police officers always protect them.

*God bless you all,*



## DEL ESCRITORIO DE NUESTRO PARROCO

*Mis Queridos Amigos,*

A las 3:00 a.m., la alarma suena en la estación de bomberos local. Ha habido un accidente cerca y nuestros bomberos y socorristas corren a la escena. Muchas veces salvan una vida, pero como sucede a menudo con esta línea de trabajo, esta vocación, son las vidas que no salvas las que permanecen contigo. Son las cosas horribles que ven que deben llevar de vuelta a la estación de bomberos, solo para salir corriendo nuevamente cuando suena la alarma. Todo para personas que nunca han conocido.

Nuestros bomberos, policías, paramédicos (los primeros en responder) y obviamente los miembros de nuestras fuerzas armadas son algunas de las personas más heroicas que he conocido. Soportan mucho, ven mucho, y la mayoría de las veces ven lo peor de la humanidad, ya sea guerra, violencia doméstica, sobredosis de drogas, accidentes por conducir ebrio y siguen presentándose para sus turnos.

Este domingo no estoy con ustedes porque estoy caminando con los bomberos de todo el sur de la Florida en el Medio Maratón de Miami para crear conciencia sobre el trastorno de estrés postraumático (TEPT). Muchos de ustedes posiblemente no saben esta anécdota personal de mi familia: hace poco más de cinco años, mi hermano menor falleció a causa del TEPT. Fue bombero del Departamento de Bomberos de la Ciudad de Miami. Dos meses después de su muerte, uno de sus hermanos bomberos caminó el Medio Maratón de Miami con equipo completo para combatir incendios (que pesa más de 50 libras por 13.1 millas). Pronto, otros bomberos comenzaron a caminar con él, incluyendo miembros de mi familia. Cada año yo les diría que me uniría a ellos "el año que viene." Bueno, el año que viene ha llegado, y estoy orgullosamente caminando con estos hombres y mujeres valientes que dan su vida por cada uno de nosotros. "No hay mayor amor que dar tu vida por un amigo (Juan 15:13)."

La razón por la que comparto esta experiencia con ustedes es porque hace dos semanas, un feligrés se acercó a mí porque quería hacer más por nuestros veteranos y socorristas y brindar apoyo "centrado en Dios" para estos hermanos y hermanas nuestros. Este veterano de las fuerzas Marinas se sentó conmigo y me explicó lo importante que es para los veteranos militares y los socorristas sentir la presencia de Dios en su trabajo y el apoyo de su comunidad, especialmente su comunidad de fe. Espero con interés trabajar con este nuevo ministerio y compartir sus éxitos con nuestra familia parroquial. Tenemos tantos feligreses que son veteranos militares, miembros activos de nuestras fuerzas armadas, policías, bomberos y paramédicos y obviamente los hombres y mujeres de los departamentos de policía y bomberos de Coral Gables y Miami-Dade que, aunque no sean todos feligreses, también merecen nuestra admiración porque nos sirven y nos protegen.

Muy a menudo como sacerdote he tenido que sentarme con un veterano que ha regresado de la guerra o con un socorrista que padece del TEPT porque no pueden olvidar las vidas que no pudieron salvar. Hoy le pido que oren por ellos, que oren por sus familias y que le den gracias a Dios por su servicio. Estamos endeudados a ellos porque cuando marcamos el 911, responden la llamada y salen a nuestro socorro.

Que San Florián, patrón de los bomberos, y San Miguel Arcángel, patrón de los militares y de la policía, siempre los protejan.

*Que Dios los bendiga a todos,*

TOGETHER | JUNTOS

## 3rd Annual Food & Wine Festival



We are just two weeks away from our Third Annual Food & Wine Festival! Join us on Saturday, February 22nd for a night of delectable food, friends, wine and spirits.

Little Flower partners with the Executive Chefs of *A Fancy Fiesta Innovative Caterers* for a culinary trip around the world. The food is expertly paired with more than two dozen wine varietals from all over the world.

Whether white or red, robust or light and even bubbly, there will be something for all to enjoy! Sample them all with a complimentary commemorative wine glass, yours to keep.

Tickets are only \$50 each, including all food, wine, and entertainment and they can be purchased at the parish office or online at:

[www.LittleFlowerFoodandWine.com](http://www.LittleFlowerFoodandWine.com)



### COTLF HOMELESS MINISTRY

The next monthly service day will take place this weekend,  
**Sunday, February 9th.**

Cooked food and drinks are collected at 3:00pm behind Comber Hall, to be delivered and served at the Miami Rescue Mission.

*All donations are welcomed.*

For more information about our homeless ministry, please contact Joe Lluhi at [lluhij@gmail.com](mailto:lluhij@gmail.com).

### COTLF PARISH PRAYER LIST

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|-----------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| ♦ Robert Sanchez            | ♦ Dean Carr         | ♦ Hugo & Maria Guilarte | ♦ Cirillo             |
| ♦ Cristina Sierra           | ♦ Maria de Cardenas | ♦ Aristides Rivera      | ♦ Jose "Ricky" Suarez |
| ♦ Jennifer Yudice           | ♦ Juan Carbonell    | ♦ Lee Ramirez           | ♦ Riley Valentina     |
| ♦ Elisa and Enrique Massens | ♦ Elena Garcia      | ♦ Lillian Maribona      | ♦ Jake Duque          |
| ♦ Ofelia Sotomayor          | ♦ Bob Needham       | ♦ Otto Crombet          | ♦ Daniel Martin       |
| ♦ Gloria L.V. Keigans       | ♦ Augustus Riley    | ♦ Pat Ayala             | ♦ Alexandra Herrera   |
| ♦ Crystal Martin            | ♦ Yolanda Martos    | ♦ Eddy Sanchez          | ♦ Luis Landrian       |
| ♦ Frances Shaheen           | ♦ Rene Monteagudo   | ♦ Porfirio Ponce        | ♦ Gisela Figueredo    |
| ♦ Michele Luciano           | ♦ Alex Lacca        | ♦ Barbara Fernandez     |                       |
|                             | ♦ Sean Stockhausen  | ♦ Nicholas and Francine |                       |

Need to add a name to our parish prayer list? Please contact Jorge Santibáñez at the Parish Office.





# WORSHIPPING THE LORD | ADORANDO AL SEÑOR

## Eucharistic Cenacle Friday, February 21

7:30pm Rosary

8:00pm Mass

Celebrated by Fr. Manny

Music by SCTJM

Followed by Eucharistic Adoration



## HEALING MASS

Join us on **Tuesday, February 11<sup>th</sup>**, Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, at 7:00pm for our next Parish Healing Mass.

It is a Eucharistic liturgy to support those who are infirmed, dealing with serious health matters, terminal illnesses, approaching surgery, or those burdened by the weight of years. Several priests will be on hand to bestow the Anointing of the Sick.

Join us as we pray for those in need!

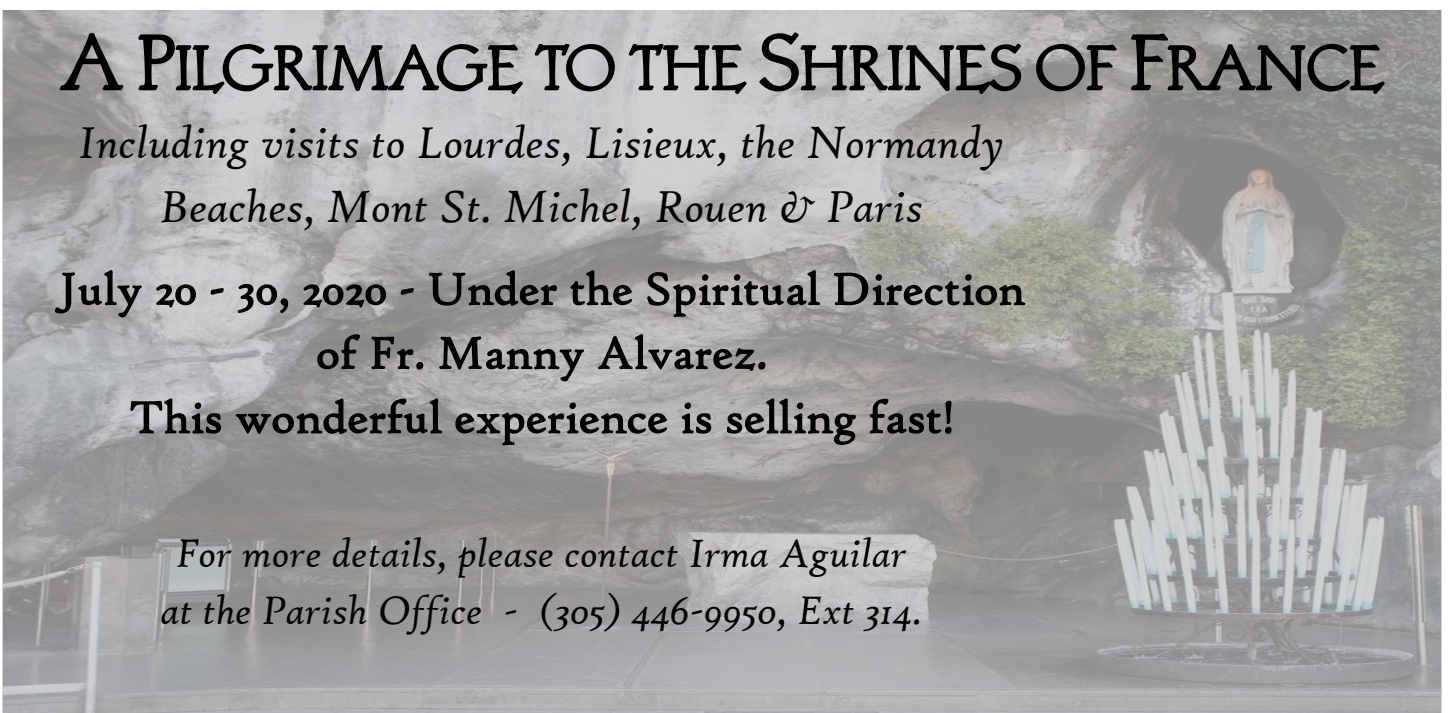
## A PILGRIMAGE TO THE SHRINES OF FRANCE

*Including visits to Lourdes, Lisieux, the Normandy  
Beaches, Mont St. Michel, Rouen & Paris*

**July 20 - 30, 2020 - Under the Spiritual Direction  
of Fr. Manny Alvarez.**

**This wonderful experience is selling fast!**

*For more details, please contact Irma Aguilar  
at the Parish Office - (305) 446-9950, Ext 314.*



# FORMING DISCIPLES | FORMANDO DISCÍPULOS

## MARRIAGE COVENANT RETREAT

The Marriage Covenant Experience is a weekend retreat where you and your spouse can pause from daily life and reflect upon the importance of marriage, how we can make life happier for ourselves and for our families, and what role God plays in our everyday lives. It is guaranteed to be an unforgettable experience!



**When:** February 28 - March 1, 2020  
**Where:** Comber Hall  
**Cost:** \$140 per couple

For more information, please contact Rafael & Lyan Rodriguez at [lyanfdez@aol.com](mailto:lyanfdez@aol.com) or (305-772-7162) or Rick and Maria Lavina at [Marialavina23@gmail.com](mailto:Marialavina23@gmail.com) or (305) 984-5143



## WOMEN'S EMMAUS RETREAT

The COTLF Women's Emmaus Ministry cordially invites you to our next retreat. Join us for a weekend of joy, hope and renovation. Take some time to strengthen your relationship with God and to grow as a person.

***Do an Emmaus retreat and you will never be the same again!***

**When:** Friday, March 20th, 2020 at 6:00 PM  
through Sunday, March 22nd, 2020 at 3:30 PM

**Where:** Casa Manresa - 12190 SW 56th Street

Applications are available in the Church and at the Parish Center.  
If you need additional information, please contact  
Cecilia Morales at [cecyvmorales@yahoo.com](mailto:cecyvmorales@yahoo.com)

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## SERVING IN THE NAME OF JESUS | SIRVIENDO EN NOMBRE DE JESÚS



Because its never too early to start planning for good things, COTLF is happy to announce a youth pilgrimage to Lisbon, Portugal for World Youth Day in the Summer of 2022!

Though exact dates for WYD Lisboa are not expected to be announced until Holy Week, later this April, we have already begun formulating a list of interested youth pilgrims. WYD is expected to be celebrated in July or August, 2022 and the most likely pilgrimage itinerary will be between 7 to 10 days, with a visit to Fatima built in. Most travel packages will probably be in the \$3,000 - \$4,000 price range. We will **NOT** begin taking any deposits until dates and packages are officially announced, but if you would like to be added to the information list, please contact Jorge Santibáñez at [JSantibanez@cotlf.org](mailto:JSantibanez@cotlf.org) or at the Parish Office.



### ROCKY RAILWAY VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

*Mark your calendars and join us as we celebrate a decade of VBS at COTLF!*

**June 15 - June 26, 2020**

All camp details, including hours, pricing, volunteer application and camper registration, will be available in the Spring!

## Consumed by His Love, Impelled to Serve

*Discernment Retreats  
for single Catholic women ages 18-30*

**February 23, 2020**

**Miami, Florida**

**[miamicomeandsee@outlook.com](mailto:miamicomeandsee@outlook.com)**

For more information and/or to register, please call  
Sister Maria Goretti, O.C.D. at 626-557-5816  
or email [joyofcarmel@outlook.com](mailto:joyofcarmel@outlook.com)



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