



Church of the LITTLE FLOWER

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OCTOBER 17TH
XXIX SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

17 DE OCTUBRE
XXIX DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO



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MASS SCHEDULE

Monday - Friday	
Time	Language
6:15 am	English
8:00 am	English — <i>Livestreamed</i>
5:30 pm	Español — <i>Livestreamed</i>
Saturday	
Time	Language
8:00 am	English — <i>Livestreamed</i>
5:00 pm	English Vigil
Sunday	
Time	Language
7:30 am	English
9:00 am	English
10:30 am	English — <i>Livestreamed</i>
12:30 pm	Español — <i>Livestreamed</i>
5:30 pm	English

CONFESSIONS

Priests are available to hear Confessions every Saturday morning, from 8:30am to 10:00am. Penitents must be wearing a mask and maintain 6 feet social distancing while waiting in line.



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Open Mon-Fri, 8:30a to 4:30p
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SACRED STEPS | SACRAMENTAL CELEBRATIONS AT COTLF



Welcome To The Catholic Church! Congratulations To Our Newly Baptized:

- ◆ Nico Bonti
- ◆ Mia Lulu Bringas
- ◆ Madison Andi Cortes
- ◆ Zara Rose Fedak
- ◆ Ava Celine Melo
- ◆ Victoria Juliette Menéndez
- ◆ Sean Lucca Panero
- ◆ Dahlia Madison Rodriguez



Congratulations And God's Blessings To Those Joined In Holy Matrimony:

- ◆ Alex Lama & Jessica Tarud
- ◆ Enrique Sierra
& Alexandra Sampedro
- ◆ Rodrigo Diaz
& Laura Fernandez Fero



Rest in Peace. We Pray For Those Who Have Entered Eternity:

- ◆ Norberta Suarez
- ◆ Armelio Gomez
- ◆ Jose Del Aguila

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

- Private on Saturdays or Group on Sundays at 2pm. Arrangements must be made with the Parish Office at least two (2) months in advance.
- Privados los sábados o en grupo los domingos a las 2pm. Arreglos se deben hacer en la oficina por lo menos con dos (2) meses de anticipación.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY MATRIMONY

- Arrangements must be made with the Parish Office at least six (6) months in advance.
- Arreglos de bodas se deben hacer en la oficina por lo menos con seis (6) meses de anticipación.

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OCTOBER 10, 2021

Attendance 1,663

In-Church Collection..... \$8,670

Late, Drop-off & Mail-in \$2,340

Online Giving \$11,670

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MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

THIS WEEK @ COTLF

Sunday, October 17th

XXIX Sunday in Ordinary Time / Synod on Synodality Opening Mass

5pm Sat Vigil + Cristina Maria Parlade
7:30 am Intentions of the Murdock Family
9:00 am + Mauro & Vita Del Rosso
10:30 am **Missa Pro Populo - For All Members of the Parish Family**
12:30 pm + Katherine Guillarte & Maria Mercedes Garcia
5:30 pm + Alberto Lostal

Monday, October 18th

Feast of St. Luke, Evangelist

6:15 am Members of the Rey Family
8:00 am + Lucas and Catalina Santibáñez
5:30 pm **Misa Comunitaria**

Tuesday, October 19th

Memorial of Sts. John de Brebeuf & Isaac Jogues, Priests, and Companions, Martyrs

6:15 am Marushka Cuza
8:00 am + Calixto M. Chavez
5:30 pm **Misa Comunitaria**

Wednesday, October 20th

Memorial of St. Paul of the Cross, Priest

6:15 am + Roger Perez
8:00 am + Betty Kadoorie
5:30 pm **Misa Comunitaria**

Thursday, October 21st

Thursday of Week XXIX in Ordinary Time

6:15 am + Yolanda Lydia Contreras & Ofelia Esther Curi
8:00 am Katerina Connell's Birthday
5:30 pm **Misa Comunitaria**

Friday, October 22nd

Memorial of St. John Paul II, Pope

6:15 am Intentions of the Murdock Family
8:00 am Jackson Connell's Birthday
5:30 pm **Misa Comunitaria**

Saturday, October 23rd

Memorial of St. John of Capistrano, Priest

8:00 am Intentions of the Herrera Family

Sunday, October 24th

XXX Sunday in Ordinary Time

5pm Sat Vigil + Vivian Coello Pena
7:30 am For all Parishioners who Passed Away this Month
9:00 am For all Missionaries
10:30 am **Missa Pro Populo - For All Members of the Parish Family**
12:30 pm + Consuelo Menendez Vasquez
5:30 pm In Thanksgiving for Sr Emma Luz and the Carmelite Sisters

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 17, 2021

SUNDAY Is 53:10-11; Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22; Heb 4:14-16; Mk 10:35-45 OR 10:42-45
MONDAY 2 Tm 4:10-17B; Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18; Lk 10:1-9
TUESDAY Rom 5:12, 15B, 17-19, 20B-21; Ps 40:7-8A, 8B-9, 10, 17; Lk 12:35-38
WEDNESDAY Rom 6:12-18; Ps 124:1B-3, 4-6, 7-8; Lk 12:39-48
THURSDAY Rom 6:19-23; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 AND 6; Lk 12:49-53
FRIDAY Rom 7:18-25A; Ps 119:66, 68, 76, 77, 93, 94; Lk 12:54-59
SATURDAY Rom 8:1-11; Ps 24:1B-2, 3-4AB, 5-6; Lk 13:1-9
SUNDAY Jer 31:7-9; Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6; Heb 5:1-6; Mk 10:46-52

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17TH

10:30 am *Opening Mass for the Synod on Synodality*
6:30 pm **High School Youth Group** (Comber Hall)
Andria Parks-Herrera, COTLFYouthGroup@gmail.com
7:30 pm **Young Adult Group** (RPC Hall)
Ceci Cristobal, [305-528-1780](tel:305-528-1780)

MONDAY, OCTOBER 18TH

10:00 am **Seekers Bible Study** (Rear Conference Room)
Mercy Gonzalez, drmom92@gmail.com
7:00 pm **Cristo en Cuba** (Chapel Conference Room)
Adriano Garcia, adrianogar@aol.com
7:00 pm **Adult Bible Study Group** (Zoom)
Julie Otero, JOtero@vistacolor.com
7:30 pm **Emaus de Hombres** (RPC Hall)
Andres Hernandez, hernandezandres@hotmail.com
7:30 pm **Ejercicios Espirituales** (Rear Conference Room)
Marcia Iglesias, marcia@amprex.net

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19TH

6:30 pm **Escuela: Talleres de Oracion y Vida** (Rear Conference Room)
7:00 pm **RCIA** (STS Cafeteria)
7:00 pm **Unfolding the Scriptures with Fr. Omar** (Zoom)
7:00 pm **Legion of Mary** (Legion of Mary House)
Maria Lopez, [786-247-3872](tel:786-247-3872)
7:00 pm **Reaching for a Smile Rosary** (St. Joseph Chapel)
Maru de Castro, [305-335-4104](tel:305-335-4104)
8:00 pm **English Charismatic Prayer Group** (Chapel Conference Room)
Felipe Vizcarrondo, fevmd@bellsouth.net
8:30 pm **Revelando las Escrituras con el Padre Omar** (Zoom)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 20TH

4 & 6:30 pm **Religious Ed Classes** (STS)
7:00 pm **Encantus Choir Rehearsal** (RPC Hall)
7:30 pm **Oracion de Intercesion / Grupo Carismatico** (Zoom)
Maria Arrabal, uria.bernardo1996@att.net
7:30 pm **Women's Emmaus** (Chapel Conference Room)
Marifer Ordoñez, mfordonez@earthlink.net

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 21ST

7:00 pm **Choir Rehearsal** (RPC Hall)
Luis Cuza, LCuza@cotlf.org
7:00 pm **Cub Scouts** (STS Cafeteria)
St Theresa Pack 16, stspack16@gmail.com
7:30 pm **Men's English Emmaus** (Comber Hall Foyer)
Core Team, contact@littlefloweremmaus.org

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 22ND

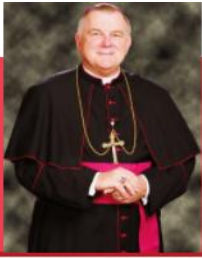
10:00 am **Prayer Shawl Ministry** (Rear Conference Room)
Katy Dunn, kdbearsetc@aol.com
7:00 pm **Grupo Carismatico: Corazon de Jesus** (Zoom)
Daisy Muik, dmuik48@yahoo.com
8:00 pm **English Marriage Covenant** (Zoom)
Janetsy Christensen, JanetsyC@bellsouth.net

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23RD

10:00 am **Religious Ed. Classes** (STS)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 24TH

All Masses *2nd Collection: World Mission Sunday*
6:30 pm **High School Youth Group** (Comber Hall)
Andria Parks-Herrera, COTLFYouthGroup@gmail.com
7:30 pm **Young Adult Group** (RPC Hall)
Ceci Cristobal, [305-528-1780](tel:305-528-1780)



A SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM ARCHBISHOP WENSKI

In October 2023, Pope Francis will convene the XVI Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops with the theme, “For a synodal Church: communion, participation and mission.” Since the close of Vatican II, popes have convened such synods, made up of representative bishops gathered from across the world, to advise them on important matters to the life of the Church. The one that will open in Rome in October 2023 will be the 16th such gathering of bishops and other delegations composed of priests, religious and laity, to collaborate with the pope in the exercise of his universal magisterium. Usually, after the close of the synod, the pope will sift through the suggestions, insights and recommendations of the Synod Fathers and issue in his own name an Apostolic Exhortation that seeks to set forth a plan of action for the entire Church.

In one sense, a synod is an exercise in strategic planning, with the Apostolic Exhortation being the plan. For example, in 1974, St. Paul VI’s *Evangelii nuntiandi* (on Evangelization in the Modern World), gave impetus to the realization that the Church is essentially an evangelical movement: It exists to evangelize. Again in 1990, Pope St. John Paul II’s *Pastores dabo vobis* (on the formation of priests in circumstance of the present day) helped renew seminarian formation after the confusions of the post Vatican II era – the fruits of which we are now seeing in the quality of priests ordained in recent years. Perhaps better known to many today is *Evangelii Gaudium* (the new evangelization for the transmission of the Christian faith), in which the newly elected Pope Francis published in 2013 the direction in which he wished to take his pontificate.

Besides these general synods, the pope can convoke a particular synod of a special region. Pope St. John Paul II held several continental synods; and most recently, Pope Francis held a Pan-Amazonian regional synod. Many dioceses also hold synods – here in the Archdiocese of Miami we had two in our 60+ year history. One convoked by Archbishop McCarthy in the late 1980s; the other by myself shortly after arriving back to Miami as your Archbishop. Eastern Churches and several Protestant bodies also hold synods.

The word itself comes from the Greek and it means basically “journeying together.” “Synodality” refers to the very essence of the Church, her constitutive reality and thus is always oriented to evangelization. But, as Pope Francis himself admits, “Journeying together – laity, pastors, the Bishop of Rome – is an easy concept to put into words, but not so easy to put in practice.”

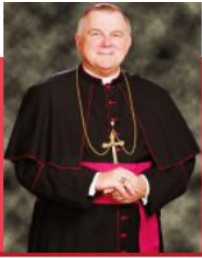
Usually, themes for general synods are solicited from the bishops of the world and once chosen by the pope his collaborators prepare a *lineamenta* (a preliminary outline) to elicit feedback from concerned parties, from which an *instrumentum laboris* – a working document – will serve as a basis for the discussions at the synod.

However, Pope Francis has decided on a novel – and potentially very creative – bottom-up approach. He wants every local Church (diocese) to participate, followed by consultations at the level of national conferences of bishops and continental assemblies. This ambitious undertaking will take two years to complete – with the diocesan phase beginning in October 2021.

The General Secretariat for the Synod of Bishops has sent a Preparatory Document, accompanied by a questionnaire and a *vademecum* with proposals for consultations in each local Church. The Holy Father will open the synod in the Vatican Oct. 9-10. Each diocese is expected to officially open our phase of the synod in our cathedrals on Oct. 17. Between October 2021 and April 2022, we hope to afford everyone an opportunity to be “listened” to in some fashion so that the pope can benefit from the *sensus fidei in credendo* (the sense of faith in believing).

The pope views this as an exercise of “spiritual discernment”: “One listening to the others; and all listening to the Holy Spirit.” (Pope Francis, Oct. 17, 2015)

So, as we embark on this “journeying together,” let us pray: “Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful ... and you shall renew the face of the earth.”



UN MENSAJE ESPECIAL DEL ARZOBISPO WENSKI

En octubre del 2023, el Papa Francisco convocará la XVI Asamblea General Ordinaria del Sínodo de los Obispos con el tema "Por una Iglesia sinodal: comunión, participación y misión". Desde el cierre del Vaticano II, los papas han convocado tales sínodos, compuestos por obispos representativos reunidos de todo el mundo, para asesorarlos sobre asuntos importantes para la vida de la Iglesia. La que se inaugurará en Roma en octubre de 2023 será la decimosexta reunión de este tipo de obispos y otras delegaciones compuestas por sacerdotes, religiosos y laicos, para colaborar con el Papa en el ejercicio de su magisterio universal. Por lo general, después de la clausura del sínodo, el Papa examinará las sugerencias, ideas y recomendaciones de los Padres sinodales y emitirá en su propio nombre una Exhortación Apostólica que busca establecer un plan de acción para toda la Iglesia.

En cierto sentido, un sínodo es un ejercicio de planificación estratégica, siendo la Exhortación Apostólica el plan. Por ejemplo, en 1974, la *Evangelii nuntiandi* (sobre la evangelización en el mundo moderno), de San Pablo VI, impulsó la comprensión de que la Iglesia es esencialmente un movimiento evangélico: existe para evangelizar. Nuevamente en 1990, *Pastores dabo vobis*, del Papa San Juan Pablo II (sobre la formación de sacerdotes en las circunstancias de la actualidad), ayudó a renovar la formación de los seminaristas después de las confusiones de la era posterior al Vaticano II, cuyos frutos ahora estamos viendo en la calidad de los sacerdotes ordenados en los últimos años. Quizás más conocida hoy por muchos sea *Evangelii Gaudium* (la nueva evangelización para la transmisión de la fe cristiana), en la que el entonces recién elegido Papa Francisco publicó en 2013 la dirección en la que deseaba llevar su pontificado.

Además de estos sínodos generales, el Papa puede convocar un sínodo particular de una región especial. El Papa San Juan Pablo II celebró varios sínodos continentales; y más recientemente, el Papa Francisco celebró un sínodo regional panamazónico. Muchas diócesis también celebran sínodos: aquí, en la Arquidiócesis de Miami, hemos tenido dos en nuestros más de 60 años de historia. Uno convocado por el Arzobispo McCarthy a fines de la década de 1980; el otro por mi cuenta poco después de regresar a Miami como su Arzobispo. Las Iglesias orientales y varios organismos protestantes también celebran sínodos.

La palabra en sí proviene del griego y significa básicamente "viajar juntos". La "sinodalidad" se refiere a la esencia misma de la Iglesia, su realidad constitutiva y, por tanto, siempre está orientada a la evangelización. Pero, como admite el propio Papa Francisco: "Viajar juntos —laicos, sacerdotes, el Obispo de Roma— es un concepto fácil de poner en palabras, pero no tan fácil de poner en práctica".

Por lo general, los temas para los sínodos generales se solicitan a los obispos del mundo y, una vez elegidos por el Papa, sus colaboradores preparan una *lineamenta* (un esbozo preliminar) para obtener comentarios de las partes interesadas, a partir del cual un *instrumentum laboris*, un documento de trabajo, que servirá como una base para las discusiones en el sínodo.

Sin embargo, el Papa Francisco se ha decidido por un enfoque ascendente novedoso y potencialmente muy creativo. Quiere que todas las iglesias locales (diócesis) participen, seguidas de consultas a nivel de conferencias nacionales de obispos y asambleas continentales. Esta ambiciosa empresa tardará dos años en completarse, y la fase diocesana comenzará en octubre de 2021.

La Secretaría General del Sínodo de los Obispos enviará un Documento Preparatorio, acompañado de un cuestionario y un *Vademécum* con propuestas de consulta en cada iglesia local. El Santo Padre abrirá el Sínodo en el Vaticano del 9 al 10 de octubre. Se espera que cada diócesis abra oficialmente nuestra fase del sínodo en nuestras catedrales el 17 de octubre. Entre octubre de 2021 y abril de 2022, esperamos brindarles a todos la oportunidad de ser "escuchados" de alguna manera para que el Papa pueda beneficiarse del *sensus fidei in credendo* (el sentido de fe en creer).

El Papa ve esto como un ejercicio de "discernimiento espiritual": "Uno escucha a los demás; y todos escuchando al Espíritu Santo". (Papa Francisco, 17 de octubre de 2015)

Entonces, al embarcarnos en este "caminar juntos", oremos: "Ven, Espíritu Santo, llena los corazones de tus fieles... y renovarás la faz de la tierra".

PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

PRaise the Spirit in Creation

JULION

1. Praise the Spirit in creation, Breath of God, life's origin:
Spirit moving on the Waters Quick'ning worlds to life within,
Source of breath to all things breathing, Life in whom all lives begin.
2. Praise the Spirit, close companion Of our inmost thoughts and ways;
Who, in showing us God's wonders, Is himself the power to gaze;
And God's will, to those who listen, By a still, small voice conveys.
3. Praise the Spirit, who enlightened Priests and prophets with the word;
His the truth behind the wisdoms Which as yet know not our Lord;
By whose love and power, in Jesus God himself was seen and heard.
4. Tell of how the ascended Jesus Armed a people for his own;
How a hundred men and women Turned the known world upside down,
To its dark and furthest corners By the wind of heaven blown.
5. Pray we then, O Lord the Spirit, On our lives descend in might;
Let your flame break out within us, Fire our hearts and clear our sight,
Till, white hot in your possession, We, too, set the world alight.

Text: Michael Hewlett, b.1916, alt., © Oxford University Press

COMMUNION

IN THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

BREAKING BREAD

In the breaking of the bread we have come to the Lord,
And in drinking from the cup we have shared the life of God.

1. As we walk the dusty road sharing all our doubts and fears,
Someone joins us on the way, gives us hope in place of tears.
2. As we gather on this day, as we hear the stories told,
In the story of the cross our life's meaning will unfold.
3. Life disciples long ago on a path by faith begun,
In the joy of Easter light we will meet the Risen One.
4. At the banquet Jesus blessed we remember and give praise
For the gracious love of God overflowing all our days.
5. Let us, as we walk the road, meet the stranger as a friend;
Let us, with the Risen Christ, travel till our journey's end.

Text: Delores Dufner, OSB, b.1939

RECESSIONAL

ALL CREATURE OF OUR GOD AND KING

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

1. All creatures of our God and King,
Lift up your voice and with us sing: Alleluia! Alleluia!
O burning sun with golden beam
And silver moon with softer gleam:
Sing your praises! Alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
2. O rushing wind and breezes soft,
O clouds that ride the winds aloft:
Sing your praises! Alleluia!
O rising morn, in praise rejoice,
O lights of evening, find a voice.
Sing your praises! Alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Text: Altissimu, omnipotente bon Signore; Francis of Assisi, 1182-1226; tr. by William H. Draper, 1855-1933, alt.

CANTO DE OFERTORIO

ENVÍA TU ESPÍRITU

BOB HURD

Envía tu Espíritu,
envía tu Espíritu,
envía tu Espíritu,
sea renovada la faz de la tierra.
Sea renovada la faz de la tierra.

1. Ven, espíritu de amor, manda tu luz
y haznos un pueblo de fe y esperanza.
2. Dulce brisa, santo don y protector,
renueva la tierra con paz y justicia.
3. Por tu gracia y tu bondad, ven, sánanos,
que no haya pecado en el alma del pueblo.

Text: Based on Psalm 104:30 and the Pentecost Sequence; refrain and English verses adapt. by Bob Hurd; Spanish verses adapt. by Jaime Cortez. Text and music © 1988, 2000, Bob Hurd. Published by OCP. All rights reserved.

CANTO DE COMUNION

UBI CARITAS

BOB HURD

Ubi caritas est vera, est vera:
Deus ibi est, Deus ibi est.

1. Unidos como un solo cuerpo, en la comunión
demostramos nuestro amor a quien primero amó.
2. Reunidos y alimentados, ya libres del rencor,
vivamos nuestra comunión en Cristo, Salvador.
3. Que el pan de vida que nos une nos cambie el corazón
para dar al prójimo amor y sanación.
4. Y para los necesitados de amor y de bondad
seamos la esperanza, justicia y paz.
5. Concédenos ya ver tu gloria y en tu presencia estar;
y, unidos a los santos, cantarte sin cesar.

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CANTO DE SALIDA

CREO EN JESÚS

CARMELO ERDOZÁIN

Creo en Jesús, creo en Jesús, Él es mi amigo, es mi alegría,
Él es mi amor; creo en Jesús, Creo en Jesús, Él es mi Salvador.

1. Él llamó a mi puerta, me invitó a compartir su heredad;
seguiré a su lado, llevaré su mensaje de paz.
2. Ayudó al enfermo y le trajo la felicidad;
defendió al humilde, combatió la mentira y el mal.
3. Día y noche creo en Jesús, Él está a mi lado, creo en Jesús.
Sigo sus palabras, creo en Jesús, doy por Él la vida, creo en Jesús.
Es mi Salvador.
4. Enseñó a Zaqueo a partir su hacienda y su pan;
alabó a la viuda porque dio cuanto pudo ella dar.
5. Aleluya, creo en Jesús, Él es el Mesías, creo en Jesús.
Él es mi esperanza, creo en Jesús, vive para siempre, creo en Jesús.
Es mi Salvador.

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WHAT IS A SYNOD?

A synod is a meeting or assembly of church leaders. Following Vatican II, Pope Paul VI established a synod of bishops as “a standing body of bishops who were elected by their national or regional bishops’ conferences. It would ordinarily meet every four years to discuss important church issues, with the pope occasionally calling ‘extraordinary synod’ meetings to consult on issues that required immediate attention. The Catholic synod of bishops does not have the power to make binding decisions; it is purely a consultative body for the pope, who makes the final calls.”

WHAT IS SYNODALITY?

“Synodality” refers to the way that these synods make decisions. It is a model that includes listening to a broad range of people and then discussing the issues together with the goal of hearing where the Holy Spirit is calling the church. Practically, Pope Francis has said, this means not entering the discussion with the idea that there will be “winners” who get their way and “losers” who do not, but leaving agendas at the door, speaking with parrhesia (a Greek word that appears in the New Testament and means “frankness,” “boldness” or “courage”), listening humbly and being open to others’ ideas. In theory, no topic is off-limits, and disagreement is welcome.

After the discussions, the bishops of the synod draft a document and vote, paragraph by paragraph, to approve it. The pope uses that document to inform his decisions following the synod. Ultimately, the goal is to reach a consensus, which does not always mean the idea that most people support will be embraced by the pope.

Making decisions “synodally” is a top priority for Pope Francis. In a speech celebrating the 50th anniversary of the establishment of the synod of bishops, the pope said, “It is precisely this path of synodality which God expects of the Church of the third millennium.” He would like to see this type of decision-making not only among the bishops meeting in Rome but “at every level of the Church’s life,” beginning with the laity (the “people of God”), then the pastors, the bishops and finally, the pope.

WHAT WILL WE DO HERE AT THE PARISH?

The Archbishop is discerning questions to be reflected upon at the parish level across the Archdiocese of Miami. We will hold parish consultative sessions, which will be led by Fr. Manny and three lay delegates that he has chosen to represent us at the Diocesan level. These sessions will be announced soon and will be held in both English and Spanish. All parishioners, and especially our youth, are invited to participate!

Catholics taking part in the synodal path should strive to “become experts in the art of encounter. Not so much by organizing events or theorizing about problems, as in taking time to encounter the Lord and one another. Time to devote to prayer and adoration -- this prayer that we neglect so much: to adore, to make room for adoration -- listening to what the Spirit wants to say to the Church. Time to look others in the eye and listen to what they have to say, to build rapport, to be sensitive to the questions of our sisters and brothers, to let ourselves be enriched by the variety of charisms, vocations, and ministries.”

- From Pope Francis’ homily at the Opening Mass of the Synod, October 10, 2021

Excerpts above taken from America Magazine, “Explainer: So, what exactly is a synod?”, www.americamagazine.org/faith/2021/10/08/what-is-a-synod

A PRAYER FOR THE XVI SYNOD

We stand before You, Holy Spirit,
as we gather together in Your name.

With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts;

Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it.

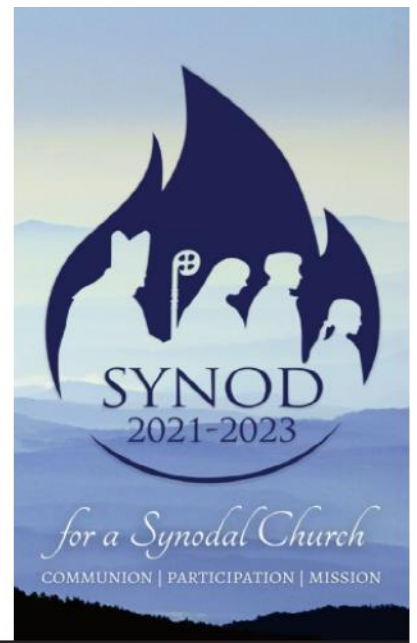
We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder.

Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path
nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to
eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right.

All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time,
in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever.

Amen.



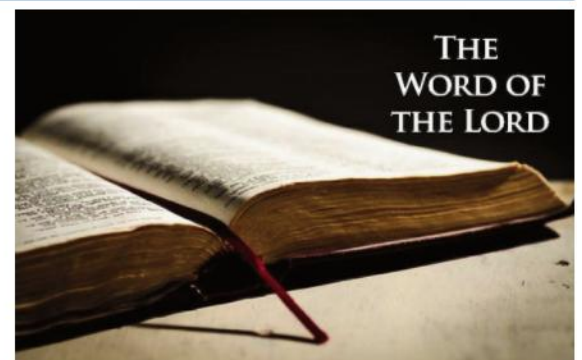
NEXT WEEKEND, October 24th, we will celebrate World Mission Sunday. Pope Francis invites the entire Church to support mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe, where priests, religious and lay leaders serve the world's most vulnerable communities. Please keep the Pope's missions in your prayers and be generous in next week's collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith.

EL PRÓXIMO FIN DE SEMANA, 24 de Octubre, celebraremos el Domingo Mundial de las Misiones. El Papa Francisco invita a toda la Iglesia a apoyar a las diócesis en África, Asia, las Islas del Pacífico y partes de América Latina y Europa, donde sacerdotes, líderes religiosos y líderes laicos sirven a las comunidades más vulnerables del mundo. Por favor sigan orando por las misiones del Papa y sean generosos en la colecta de la semana entrante para la Sociedad para la Propagación de la Fe.

YOUTH LECTORS

The youth of the parish are specially invited to actively participate in our 9am Sunday Mass as lectors! Proclaiming the Word of the Lord is an important ministry and service in the Sacramental life of the parish.

For more details about our Youth Lectors, or to sign up, please contact Grace Lopez-Aguilar at (305) 987-3275 or at grace.lopezaguiar@gmail.com



Church Volunteers



TEEN VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Earn your service hours while helping out the parish and our community! We are looking for a small team of teen volunteers to help us with the Mass Livestream Camera Controls of our Sunday Masses. Volunteers will be scheduled on rotating weekends to manage the Livestream of both the 10:30am and 12:30pm (Spanish) Mass.

If you are interested in helping out, or would like to get more information about it, please contact Jorge Santibanez at the Parish Office or at JSantibanez@cotlf.org

October 2021

RESPECT LIFE MONTH

St. Joseph, defender of life, pray for us!

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BABY ITEMS COLLECTION ALL MONTH LONG

All throughout the month of October, in celebration of Respect Life Month, the parish will be hosting a baby item collection drive in the vestibule of the church. All items donated will be collected by the COTLF Respect Life Ministry to benefit the South Dade Pregnancy Center.

Thank you for your generosity!



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We will be hosting a local March for Life here at the Parish in union with the National March for Life in January. More details will be made available soon.

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The Parish Fair is a three day event open to the community at large. This annual tradition brings together the Church of the Little Flower and St. Theresa Catholic School families for a weekend full of family thrill and fun for everyone! The Parish Fair will take place at the St. Theresa Catholic School grounds from **Friday, December 3 — Sunday, December 5th**. Throughout the weekend you will enjoy games, rides and great food in a family atmosphere. Mark your calendars and we hope to see you there!

Sponsorship opportunities for various areas of the fair are already available and ride tickets & bracelets will be on sale soon!

For more details about the fair, sponsorship opportunities, and/or tickets, visit www.cotlf.org/fair or www.stscg.org/fair or contact our Development Director, Ashley Sacks, at the Parish Office.

NEW BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY

We are pleased to announce the creation of a new Bereavement Ministry here at the parish. Through this new parish outreach ministry, volunteers will be able to bring the loving support of our community to parishioners, neighbors and friends who are mourning the death of a loved one.

Bereavement ministers strive to be the compassionate heart and hands of our Lord Jesus. Although no one can really feel or remove another's pain, everyone can walk beside and support another who is sorrowful. As part of the new ministry, one Mass will be offered toward the end of each month for all those in our parish who have passed away throughout that month. If you are interested in learning more about the Bereavement Ministry, or would like to add your name to the list of volunteers, please contact the Parish Office.



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