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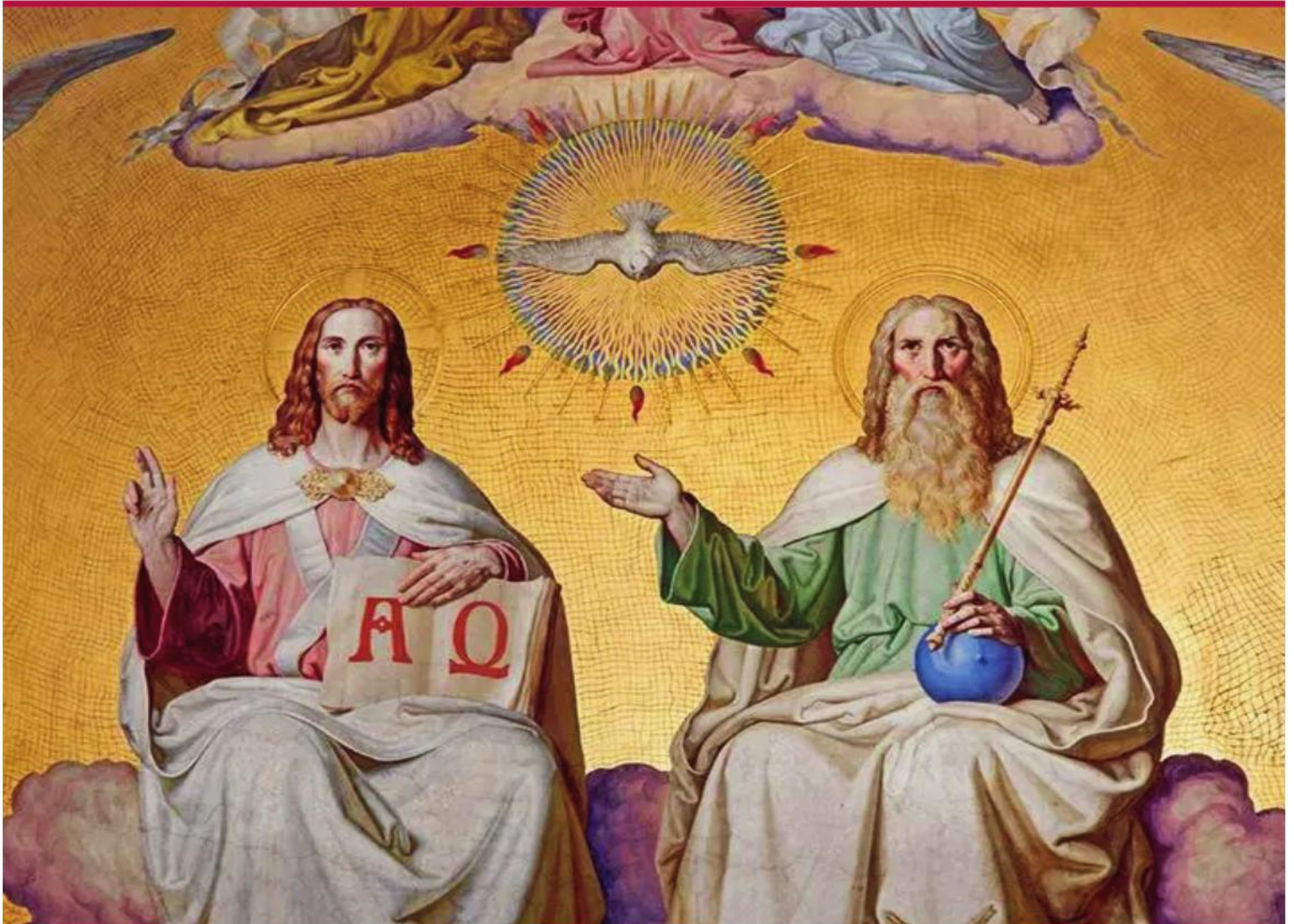


June 12th

12 de Junio

THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

LA SOLEMNIDAD DE LA SANTISIMA TRINIDAD



Pastor

REV. MANUEL F. ALVAREZ

Parochial Vicar

REV. ANDREW J. TOMONTO

Priests in Residence

REV. JUAN ESCAMEZ
REV. STEPHEN SAAWUAN
REV. FIDELIS UKO

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DEACON JORGE ALVAREZ
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DEACON MIGUEL PARLADE



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

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.



ST. JOSEPH PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL

Visit www.cotlf.org/adoration for more details



CHURCH OF THE LITTLE FLOWER - REILLY PARISH CENTER

Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday
8:00 am - 4:00 pm

Address

2711 Indian Mound Trail
Coral Gables, FL 33134

Contact

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SAINT THERESA CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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Monday - Friday
7:15 am - 3:15 pm

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2701 Indian Mound Trail
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Administered by the Carmelite Sisters of the Most Sacred Heart of LA - Sr. Rosalie, Principal

SACRED STEPS | SACRAMENTAL CELEBRATIONS AT COTLF



Welcome to the Catholic Church!
Congratulations to
Our Newly Baptized

- † Aydriana Alfonso
- † Cece Valentina Celorio
- † Massimo Andres Chapa
- † Marco Antonio Chapa
- † Valentino Roberto Kafati Morales
- † Diego del Portillo
- † Lucas Francisco Ramos



Congratulations and
God's Blessings to Those
Joined in Holy Matrimony

- † Osney Chery
& Edline Fleurimond
- † Nicolas Villedrouin
& Krysta Craan



Rest in Peace. We Pray for
Those Who Have Entered Eternity

- † Juan Enrique Narvaez
- † Sir Nino Perneti

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.

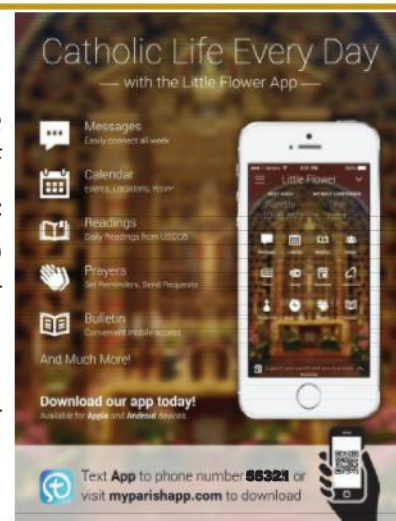
SACRAMENT OF HOLY MATRIMONY

- 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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MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

WEEKLY EVENTS @ COTLF

Sunday, June 12th

Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

5:00 pm Sat Vigil + Miriam Rosa Gonzalez
7:30 am + Urbano & Ana Monasterio
9:00 am Intentions of the Murdock Family
10:30 am **Missa Pro Populo - For All Members of the Parish Family**
12:30 pm Patricia Linares y Familia
5:30 pm + Magaly Alvarez

Monday, June 13th

Memorial of Saint Anthony of Padua, Priest & Doctor of the Church

6:15 am + Antonio Bilbao
8:00 am Wayne Talamas & Family
5:30 pm **Misa Comunitaria**

Tuesday, June 14th

Tuesday of Week XI in Ordinary Time

6:15 am Intentions of the Murdock Family
8:00 am + Elena de Gomez
5:30 pm **Misa Comunitaria**

Wednesday, June 15th

Wednesday of Week XI in Ordinary Time

6:15 am Intentions of the Murdock Family
8:00 am Intentions of the Greer Family
5:30 pm **Misa Comunitaria**

Thursday, June 16th

Thursday of Week XI in Ordinary Time

6:15 am + Ray H. Pearson
8:00 am + Daniela Perez
5:30 pm **Misa Comunitaria**

Friday, June 17th

Friday of Week XI in Ordinary Time

6:15 am Intentions of the Murdock Family
8:00 am In Thanksgiving for Fr. Omar's Priesthood
5:30 pm **Misa Comunitaria**

Saturday, June 18th

Saturday of Week XI in Ordinary Time

6:15 am Mary & David Trontz' Anniversary

Sunday, June 19th

Solemnity of the Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ / Father's Day

5:00 pm Sat Vigil + Ignacio & Juana Perez
7:30 am Intentions of the Murdock Family
9:00 am Father's Day Novena
10:30 am **Missa Pro Populo - For All Members of the Parish Family**
12:30 pm + Dr. Rory A. Marin
5:30 pm + Ricardo Ramirez

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 12, 2022

Sunday	Prv 8:22-31; Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Rom 5:1-5; Jn 16:12-15
Monday	1 Kgs 21:1-16; Ps 5:2-3ab, 4b-6a, 6b-7; Mt 5:38-42
Tuesday	1 Kgs 21:17-29; Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 11 and 16; Mt 5:43-48
Wednesday	2 Kgs 2:1, 6-14; Ps 31:20, 21, 24; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday	Sir 48:1-14; Ps 97:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7; Mt 6:7-15
Friday	2 Kgs 11:1-4, 9-18, 20; Ps 132:11, 12, 13-14, 17-18; Mt 6:19-23
Saturday	2 Chr 24:17-25; Ps 89:4-5, 29-30, 31-32, 33-34; Mt 6:24-34
Sunday	Gn 14:18-20; Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Lk 9:11b-17

SUNDAYS

2:30 pm **Homeless Ministry Service Days** (Comber Hall Parking Lot)
2nd Sunday, Monthly — Joe Lluhi, lluhij@aol.com

MONDAYS

10:00 am **Seekers Bible Study** (Morras 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** (Reilly Conference Room)
Pedro D. Gonzalez, pdgv209@gmail.com

TUESDAYS

6:30 pm **Reaching for a Smile Rosary** (St. Joseph Chapel)
Maru de Castro, [305-335-4104](tel:305-335-4104)
7:00 pm **Talleres de Oracion y Vida** (Morras Conference Room)
Nathalie, [305-496-6425](tel:305-496-6425)
7:00 pm **Legion of Mary** (Legion of Mary House)
Maria Lopez, [786-247-3872](tel:786-247-3872)
8:00 pm **English Charismatic Prayer Group** (Chapel Conference Room)
Felipec Vizcarrondo, fevmd@bellsouth.net

WEDNESDAYS

7:00 pm **Communion & Liberation** (Morras Conference Room)
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

THURSDAYS

7:00 pm **Choir Rehearsal** (Reilly Conference Room)
Luis Cuza, LCuza@cotif.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

FRIDAYS

7:00 pm **Grupo Carismatico: Corazon de Jesus** (Zoom)
Daisy Muik, dmuik48@yahoo.com
7:00 pm **Amor en Accion Monthly Meeting** (STS Cafeteria)
1st Fridays, Monthly
8:00 pm **English Marriage Covenant** (Zoom)
Janetsy Christensen, JanetsyC@bellsouth.net

SATURDAYS

9:00 am **Baptism Preparation Classes** (Zoom, See Schedule)



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

My Dear Friends,

This weekend we welcome our new parochial vicar, Father Andrew Tomonto. He comes to us from St. Coleman's Parish in Pompano Beach where he served his first assignment for two years after being ordained, and as I mentioned when I announced his arrival, he spent a summer here at Little Flower as a seminarian 8 years ago. I know that you will embrace him and love him as you have loved all the priests who have served this parish and fed us from our altar. (You can read more about Father Andrew later in this bulletin.)

This coming week we will be celebrating our annual 40 Hour Devotion with Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 8:00am on Thursday morning until Midnight on Friday night. The church will be open and the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed throughout the night on Thursday night. Masses will continue to be said as normal as part of these 40 hours. Prayer is essential to our life as a parish, and when we gather as a community to set aside an hour to kneel before our Lord in adoration, thanksgiving, and supplication, our prayer is amplified as the Eucharist strengthens our bond as the Body of Christ.

This year I ask you to keep two particular intentions in your hearts as you participate in this marathon of prayer. The first is very dear to the hearts of two of our priests: pray for an end to violence and Christian persecution in Nigeria. It seems like almost a daily occurrence when Father Uko or Father Stephen approach me in the rectory to tell me about some tragic episode that has occurred in their homeland. Particularly in Father Stephen's home diocese, which is located in the north of the country, Christians are being persecuted and as was the case last month, some are being executed simply for believing in Jesus Christ. I see the pain in the faces of my brother priests as they talk about Nigeria. They do so much for our community. The least we can do is join them in prayer for peace in their homeland. *(I wrote this column the day before Pentecost when close to 100 worshippers were massacred during Mass inside their church in southwest Nigeria, so the need for prayer is now even more urgent.)*

The second intention that I ask you to fervently pray for is for the upcoming abortion decision that the Supreme Court will release that we hope will reverse the Roe v. Wade decision of 49 years ago that has caused the death of tens of millions of innocent children in our

country. While many expect this decision to come down on the side of life, this does not mean that our efforts to end abortion are over. Now more than ever, our Church must stand with mothers and couples who experience unexpected pregnancies and help them care for their children. In a letter that Archbishop Wenski wrote to his priests last month, he said: "We must redouble our efforts to accompany women and couples who are facing unexpected or difficult pregnancies, as well as to offer mercy to those suffering from abortion." The Church must be seen as a sanctuary of mercy and not a place of condemnation. The Archbishop echoes this when he writes: "It is sobering that recent communications research tells us that many Catholics do not see this compassionate response, and many are unaware of the Church's help for those in need. Sadly, they often see the Church as harsh and rigid rather than compassionate and merciful. The parish is a wonderful place to give witness to what is true compassion and mercy." And as a parish we will continue, through our Respect Life Ministry, to render assistance to any woman or couple facing an unexpected pregnancy.

There are truly so many things that we can bring to the feet of the Lord this coming week when we gather for the 40 Hour Devotion: peace in Ukraine, peace in our respective homelands, peace in our country, and for an end to the scourge of gun violence that has been plaguing our nation especially in recent weeks (this too is a life issue that has been addressed by our U.S. bishops this month). So much woundedness in our world. So much tragedy. And yet our Lord cries out to us: "Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest (Matthew 11: 28)."

I urge every parishioner to sign up for an hour of adoration and prayer during the 40 Hour Devotion. You can do this online at cotlf.org/40hours or by signing up in the book that is present in the vestibule of the church. Let us flood heaven with prayers for the intentions I have mentioned and for those that we hold so dear in our hearts. In the Eucharist, our Lord keeps his promise of never abandoning us. Let us confidently come to him in prayer this week as a parish and be united by his merciful love.

God bless you all,

Fr. Manny



DEL ESCRITORIO DEL PARROCO

Mis Queridos Amigos,

Este fin de semana damos la bienvenida a nuestro nuevo vicario parroquial, el Padre Andrew Tomonto. Viene a nosotros desde la parroquia de St. Coleman en Pompano Beach, donde sirvió su primera asignación por dos años después de ser ordenado. Como mencioné cuando anuncié su llegada, pasó un verano aquí en Little Flower como seminarista hace 8 años. Sé que lo abrazarán y lo amarán como han amado a todos los sacerdotes que han servido a esta parroquia y nos han alimentado desde nuestro altar. (Pueden leer más sobre el Padre Andrew más adelante en este boletín).

Esta próxima semana celebraremos nuestra devoción anual de 40 horas con exposición y adoración del Santísimo Sacramento desde las 8:00 a.m. del jueves por la mañana hasta la medianoche del viernes por la noche. La iglesia estará abierta y el Santísimo Sacramento estará expuesto durante toda la noche del jueves por la noche. Las misas seguirán celebrándose con normalidad como parte de estas 40 horas. La oración es esencial para nuestra vida como parroquia, y cuando nos reunimos como comunidad para hacer una hora santa, para arrodillarnos ante nuestro Señor en adoración, haciendo acción de gracias y súplica, nuestra oración se amplifica a medida que la Eucaristía fortalece nuestro vínculo como el Cuerpo de Cristo.

Este año les pido que mantengan dos intenciones particulares en sus corazones al participar en este maratón de oración. El primero es muy importante en los corazones de dos de nuestros sacerdotes: orar por el fin de la violencia y la persecución cristiana en Nigeria. Parece casi un hecho cotidiano cuando el Padre Uko o el Padre Stephen se me acercan en la rectoría para contarme algún episodio trágico que ha ocurrido en su tierra natal. Particularmente en la diócesis natal del Padre Stephen, que se encuentra en el norte del país, los cristianos están siendo perseguidos y, como fue el caso el mes pasado, algunos están siendo ejecutados simplemente por creer en Jesucristo. Veo el dolor en los rostros de mis hermanos sacerdotes mientras hablan de Nigeria. Hacen mucho por nuestra comunidad. Lo menos que podemos hacer es unirnos a ellos en oración por la paz en su patria. (Escribí esta columna el día antes de Pentecostés, cuando cerca de 100 fieles fueron masacrados durante la misa dentro de su iglesia en el suroeste de Nigeria, por lo que la necesidad de oración es ahora aún más urgente).

La segunda intención por la que les pido que oren fervientemente es por la próxima decisión sobre el aborto que la Corte Suprema emitirá y que esperamos revierta el caso Roe vs. Wade de hace 49 años que ha causado la muerte de

decenas de millones de niños inocentes en nuestro país. Si bien muchos esperan que esta decisión se ponga del lado de la vida, esto no significa que nuestros esfuerzos para poner fin al aborto hayan terminado. Ahora más que nunca, nuestra Iglesia debe apoyar a las madres y parejas que experimentan embarazos inesperados y ayudarlas a cuidar a sus hijos. En una carta que el arzobispo Wenski escribió a sus sacerdotes el mes pasado, dijo: "debemos redoblar nuestros esfuerzos para acompañar a las mujeres y parejas que enfrentan embarazos inesperados o difíciles, así como para ofrecer misericordia a quienes sufren de aborto". La Iglesia debe ser vista como un santuario de misericordia y no como un lugar de condenación. El Arzobispo se hace eco de esto cuando escribe: "Es aleccionador que la investigación reciente en comunicaciones nos dicen que muchos católicos no ven esta respuesta compasiva, y muchos desconocen la ayuda de la Iglesia para los necesitados. Lamentablemente, a menudo ven a la Iglesia como dura y rígida en lugar de compasiva y misericordiosa. La parroquia es un lugar maravilloso para dar testimonio de lo que es la verdadera compasión y misericordia". Y como parroquia continuaremos, a través de nuestro Ministerio de Respeto a la Vida, brindando asistencia a cualquier mujer o pareja que enfrente un embarazo inesperado.

Realmente hay tantas cosas que podemos poner a los pies del Señor esta próxima semana cuando nos reunamos para la Devoción de las 40 Horas: paz en Ucrania, paz en nuestras respectivas patrias, paz en nuestro país y para poner fin al flagelo de la violencia armada que ha estado plagando a nuestra nación, especialmente en las últimas semanas (este también es un tema de la vida que ha sido abordado por nuestros obispos estadounidenses este mes). Muy herido esta nuestro mundo. Tanta tragedia. Y, sin embargo, nuestro Señor nos clama: "Venid a mí, todos los que estén cargados y agobiados, y yo los aliviare (Mateo 11:28)".

Insto a cada feligrés a inscribirse para una hora de adoración y oración durante la Devoción de 40 Horas. Puede hacerlo en el internet en cotlf.org/40hours o inscribiéndose en el libro que está presente en el vestíbulo de la iglesia. Inundemos el cielo con oraciones por las intenciones que he mencionado y por aquellas que tanto apreciamos en nuestros corazones. En la Eucaristía, nuestro Señor cumple su promesa de no abandonarnos nunca. Acudamos confiadamente a él en oración esta semana como parroquia y unámonos por su amor misericordioso.

Que Dios los bendiga a todos,

Fr. Manny



WELCOME, FATHER ANDREW!

"It's in his blood," Elsa Tomonto said of her eldest son's vocation to the priesthood.

Andrew's grandfather, the late Bob Tomonto, was a permanent deacon at the family's home parish of St. Louis in Pinecrest. He and his wife, Irene Tomonto, joined the Christian Family Movement in the 1960s. At St. Louis, they created the Covenant Experience, a parish-based enrichment program for married couples.

"I've always had very, very good priests in my life," said Father Tomonto, who was born in Mercy Hospital.

But Elsa Tomonto didn't necessarily want her son to become a priest. "She's a Colombian mom who wants to be a Colombian grandmother," he explained. His becoming a priest would cut her chance at that by one-third, as Andrew is the eldest of three sons.

"He remembers when he was 12, he told me he wanted to be a priest and I started crying," Tomonto said moments before her son's ordination. "Now we're thrilled."

Father Tomonto said he first vocalized the thought of becoming a priest in seventh grade, as a student at St. Louis Covenant School. He then moved to Marist-run Christopher Columbus High School in Miami, where a couple of archdiocesan priests — both retired now — proved deeply influential: Father Liam Quinn, who taught him theology in ninth grade, and Father Arthur Dennison, who taught him in 11th grade.

But Father Tomonto didn't realize it at the time. At 14, he thought "you couldn't be happy without a family." Looking back later, he realized how Father Quinn changed that perspective.

"This guy is happy. There's a joy in him, and it's infectious," Father Tomonto recalled. "It helped bring down a wall in my mind, a barrier to discerning."

But he moved on, to major in business at the University of Miami.

"This is where the vocation really showed itself," he said. "College was where I had that adult moment when you take ownership of your own faith."

He began "praying more profoundly." During his sophomore year, he attended a vocation awareness weekend at St. John Vianney College Seminary in Miami. He got involved in UM's Catholic campus ministry.

Still, he put off entering the seminary. "I had a good scholarship and I loved college," he said.

He entered the seminary immediately after graduating. "It was just like a puzzle piece fitting," he said. "I went into the seminary and I loved it. I knew that's where I was supposed to be."

As for not having a family: "I haven't found any life that's really that easy," he said. "Each (vocation) has its own challenges and its own joy."

His mother thinks he'll make a good priest. "He's a very comforting person. He's very calm," she said. "I think he's going to be a wonderful person to minister to the people of God."

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Please visit www.cotlf.org/mass or scan the QR code





VBS 2022: MONUMENTAL

VBS is making its long-awaited return to our Parish from June 20 — July 1, 2022.

Only 20 Camper Spots remain! Sign up today!
Open to all children entering Kinder through 6th Grades.

Visit www.cotlf.org/VBS to learn more about VBS: Monumental!



RELIGIOUS ED. CLASS REGISTRATION

Registration for the 2022-2023 Catechetical Year is now open!

Classes are available for students in all grade levels from Kinder through High School. Sacramental Prep for First Communion can begin as early as 1st Grade and for Confirmation as early as 7th Grade. Both Sacramental Prep programs require two consecutive Catechetical years of classes. Baptismal Prep classes are also available for those between the ages of 7 and 17 who have not yet been Baptized. For more information, visit www.COTLFReligiousEd.org or contact the Parish Office.



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*Changing Girls' Lives and
Leading Them Towards a
More Christ-Centered Life.*

This coming Fall, we hope to launch a Troop of American Heritage Girls (AHG) here at COTLF. AHG was founded by a group of parents wanting a faith-based, scout-type character development program for their daughters in 1995.

The AHG Program is dedicated to the mission of building women of integrity through service to God, family, community and country. AHG girls across the nation and the globe participate in badge programs, service projects, leadership opportunities, and outdoor experiences, all with an emphasis on Christian values and family involvement.

At this time, we are seeking parents/adults who would be willing to serve on our local AHG Troop Board. Those interested are asked to contact Jorge Santibáñez at the Parish Office: JSantibanez@cotlf.org or 305-446-9950, Ext 307.

To learn more about American Heritage Girls, please visit www.americanheritagegirls.org



PATHFINDER
Ages 5-6



TENDERHEART
Ages 6-9



EXPLORER
Ages 9-12



PIONEER
Ages 12-14



PATRIOT
Ages 14-18

THANK YOU, GRAN PARIS BAKERY!

Special thanks to our Men's Emmaus group, Segundo Pla, and Gran Paris Bakery for organizing and catering Fr Omar's send-off reception last weekend! Your generosity and support is very much appreciated.



40 HOURS EUCHARISTIC DEVOTION

As we observe the Solemnity of Corpus Christi on Sunday, June 19th, we will once again celebrate a 40 Hours Eucharistic Devotion inside the main church. It will begin with 8am Mass on Thursday, June 16th and last until Midnight on the evening of Friday, June 17th.

On Thursday evening, at 7:00pm, Fr. Stephen and Fr. Uko will jointly lead a special Holy Hour to pray for peace amid all the violence occurring in their homeland of Nigeria.

A sign-up is now available online at www.cotlf.org/40hours and a traditional sign-up book is also available in the vestibule of the church.

Unlike our Adoration Chapel which has the automatic curtain, we must ensure that there is full coverage for the duration of the 40 Hours Devotion, so please be sure to sign up for at least one hour.



**Katerina
Zaharewicz**
VALEDICTORIAN



Class of '22
We are proud of you!



**Sophia
Catalina**
SALUTATORIAN

CONGRATULATIONS, STS CLASS OF 2022!

God of wisdom, we thank you for all the gifts you have given us throughout this school year. We praise you for giving us life, for saving us in Christ, and for choosing us to be your people.

As we come to the end of this school year, we voice our gratitude for the good things you have done in us, and we praise you for all who have shared in the work of this school.

We ask that you bless them in your love and give them refreshment and peace. We praise you, God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns forever and ever. Amen

COTLF HOMELESS MINISTRY UPDATE

Beginning with this weekend's service day, the Homeless Ministry will only be accepting donations of non-cooked dry foods in cans and bags. Donations are collected behind Comber Hall at 2:30pm on the second Sunday of every month, to be delivered to the Miami Rescue Mission. All donations are welcomed.

For more information about our homeless ministry, please contact cotlfhomelessministry@gmail.com



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2 positions are available on our church staff:

- ♦ Full-Time Finance Manager
- ♦ Part-Time Youth Ministry Coordinator

Visit our parish website or scan the QR code below to learn more about the positions and how to apply.



SAINT OF THE WEEK: ANTHONY OF PADUA

The gospel call to leave everything and follow Christ was the rule of Saint Anthony of Padua's life. Over and over again, God called him to something new in his plan. Every time Anthony responded with renewed zeal and self-sacrificing to serve his Lord Jesus more completely.

His journey as the servant of God began as a very young man when he decided to join the Augustinians in Lisbon, giving up a future of wealth and power to be a servant of God. Later when the bodies of the first Franciscan martyrs went through the Portuguese city where he was stationed, he was again filled with an intense longing to be one of those closest to Jesus himself: those who die for the Good News.

So Anthony entered the Franciscan Order and set out to preach to the Moors. But an illness prevented him from achieving that goal. He went to Italy and was stationed in a small hermitage where he spent most of his time praying, reading the Scriptures and doing menial tasks.

The call of God came again at an ordination where no one was prepared to speak. The humble and obedient Anthony hesitantly accepted the task. The years of searching for Jesus in prayer, of reading sacred Scripture and of serving him in poverty, chastity, and obedience had prepared Anthony to allow the Spirit to use his talents. Anthony's sermon was astounding to those who expected an unprepared speech and knew not the Spirit's power to give people words.

Recognized as a great man of prayer and a great Scripture and theology scholar, Anthony became the first friar to teach theology to the other friars. Soon he was called from that post to preach to the Albigensians in France, using his profound knowledge of Scripture and theology to convert and reassure those who had been misled by their denial of Christ's divinity and of the sacraments..

After he led the friars in northern Italy for three years, he made his headquarters in the city of Padua. He resumed his preaching and began writing sermon notes to help other preachers. In the spring of 1231 Anthony withdrew to a friary at Camposampiero where he had a sort of treehouse built as a hermitage. There he prayed and prepared for death.

On June 13, he became very ill and asked to be taken back to Padua, where he died after receiving the last sacraments. Anthony was canonized less than a year later and named a Doctor of the Church in 1946.

Reflection:

Anthony should be the patron of those who find their lives completely uprooted and set in a new and unexpected direction. Like all saints, he is a perfect example of turning one's life completely over to Christ. God did with Anthony as God pleased—and what God pleased was a life of spiritual power and brilliance that still attracts admiration today. He whom popular devotion has nominated as finder of lost objects found himself by losing himself totally to the providence of God.

Saint Anthony of Padua is the Patron Saint of:

Lost items, Poor, Travelers

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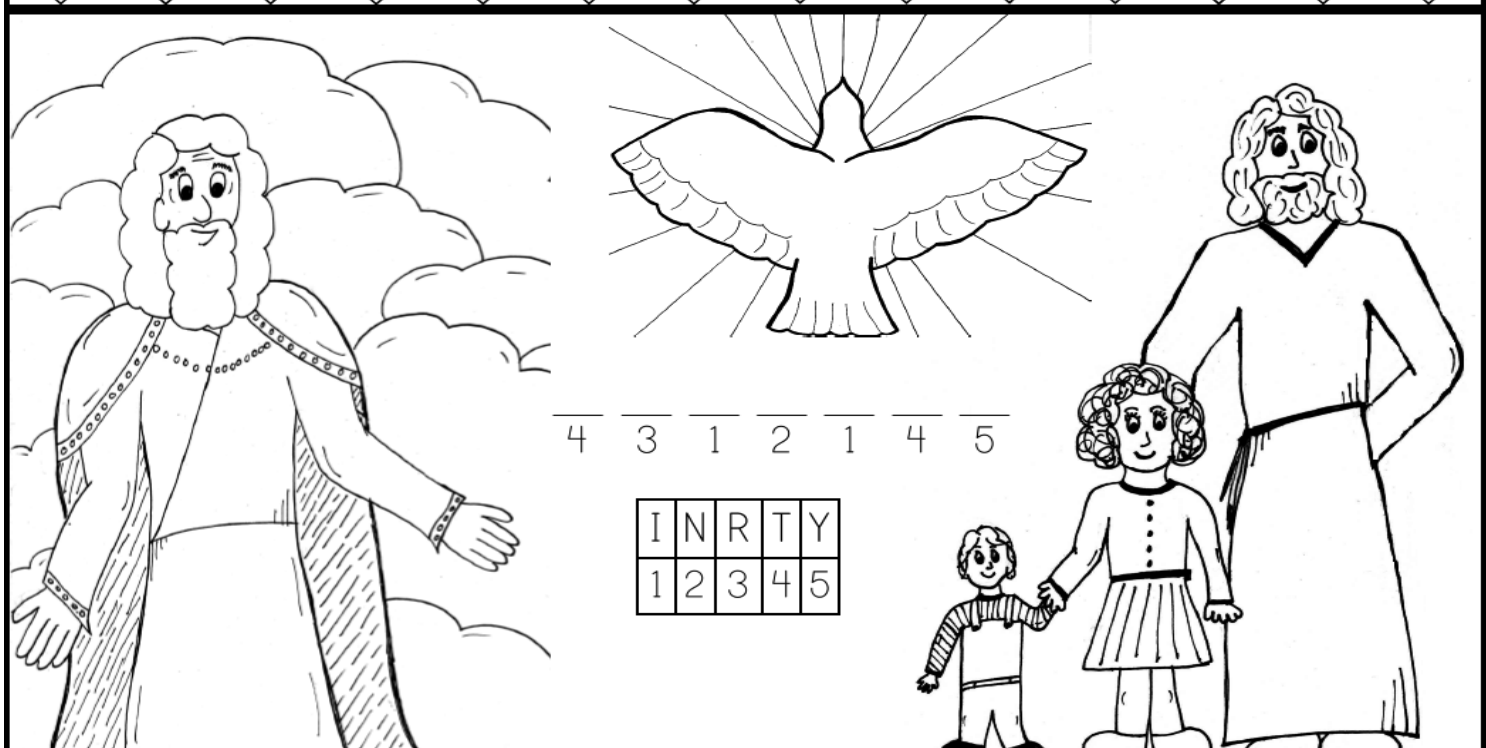
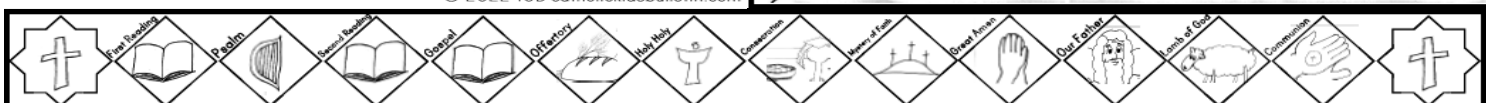
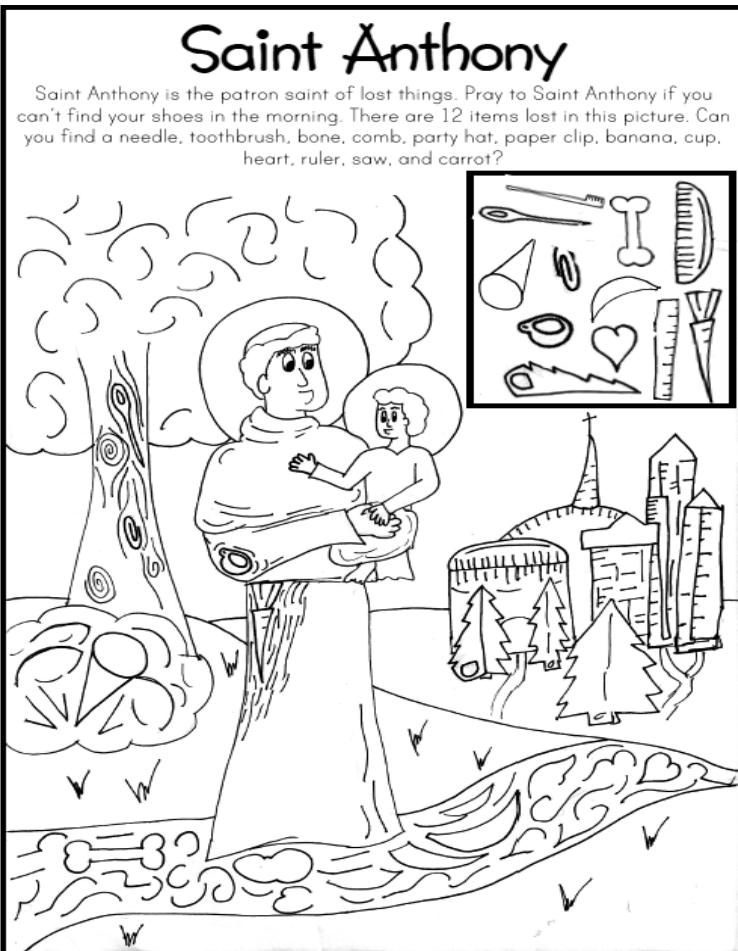
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