



Church of the LITTLE FLOWER

December 25th
MERRY CHRISTMAS!

25 de Diciembre
¡FELIZ NAVIDAD!



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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*

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday - Friday

Time	Language
6:15 am	English
8:00 am	English
5:30 pm	Español

Saturday

Time	Language
8:00 am	English
5:00 pm	English Vigil

Sunday

Time	Language
7:30 am	English
9:00 am	English
10:30 am	English
12:30 pm	Español
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

P. (305) 446-9950
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SAINT THERESA CATHOLIC SCHOOL

School Office Hours

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

Address

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Contact

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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

- † Bella Marie Corona
- † Rafael Luis Corona
- † Mariana Guadalupe Davila
- † Juliette Marie Fernandez
- † Lucas Ramirez



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

- † Ivan Oqueli
& Sophia Avellanal
- † Sean Magley
& Giselle Pacheco
- † Roberto Valladares
& Cecilia Luna



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

- † Eleanor Moore

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. Visit cotlf.org/weddings for more information.
- Arreglos de bodas se deben hacer en la oficina por lo menos con seis (6) meses de anticipación. Visitar cotlf.org/weddings para mas información.

SIGNS OF OUR STEWARDSHIP

DECEMBER 18TH

Mass Attendance:

Thank you for your generosity!

Dec 18th & 25th Collection Totals will be reported in the January 8th Bulletin.

*Combined in-person and online

CHURCH

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Sunday, December 25th

Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord

5:00 pm Sat	For All the Children in Our Parish
12 Midnight	Missa Pro Populo - For All Members of the Parish Family
7:30 am	+ Felipe Martinez
9:00 am	Intentions of the Murdock Family
10:30 am	Missa Pro Populo - For All Members of the Parish Family
12:30 pm	+ Eduardo Rodriguez Arias
5:30 pm	Living & Deceased Members of the Prieto, Perez & Suarez Family

Monday, December 26th

Feast of St. Stephen, First Martyr

6:15 am	Robert Uria's Birthday
8:00 am	+ Maria Mendoza
5:30 pm	Misa Comunitaria

Tuesday, December 27th

Feast of St. John, Apostle and Evangelist

6:15 am	In Thanksgiving for the COTLF Office Staff
8:00 am	Intentions of The Murdock Family
5:30 pm	Misa Comunitaria

Wednesday, December 28th

Feast of Holy Innocents, Martyrs

6:15 am	Scott Pearson's Birthday
8:00 am	+ Gilberto Varela
5:30 pm	Misa Comunitaria

Thursday, December 29th

Thursday in the Octave of Christmas

6:15 am	Living & Deceased Members of the Bango Hopkins Family
8:00 am	+ Elena Leon Santibañez
5:30 pm	Misa Comunitaria

Friday, December 30th

Feast of The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

6:15 am	+ Emma Hernandez
8:00 am	For All Who Have Passed Away This Month
5:30 pm	Misa Comunitaria

Saturday, December 31st

Saturday in the Octave of Christmas

8:00 am	+ Florencio Gomez
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Sunday, January 1st, 2023

Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God

5:00 pm Sat	+ Maria Rosa Uria Bernardo
7:30 am	Intentions of the Murdock Family
9:00 am	+ Ernie Rennella and Marco Egas
10:30 am	Missa Pro Populo - For All Members of the Parish Family
12:30 pm	Living and Deceased Members of the Palenzuela & Fernandez Family
5:30 pm	Intentions of the Bango-Hopkins Family

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 25, 2022

Sunday	<i>Vigil Mass:</i> Is 62:1-5; Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 or Mt 1:18-25 <i>Mass during the Night:</i> Is 9:1-6; Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13; Ti 2:11-14; Lk 2:1-14 <i>Mass at Dawn:</i> Is 62:11-12; Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12; Ti 3:4-7; Lk 2:15-20 <i>Mass during the Day:</i> Is 52:7-10; Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18 or Jn 1:1-5, 9-14
Monday	Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Ps 31:3CD-4, 6 & 8AB, 16BC & 17; Mt 10:17-22
Tuesday	1 Jn 1:1-4; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Jn 20:1a & 2-8
Wednesday	1 Jn 1:5-2:2; Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7cd-8; Mt 2:13-18
Thursday	1 Jn 2:3-11; Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6; Lk 2:22-35
Friday	Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Col 3:12-21 or Col 3:12-17; Ps 128: 1-2, 3, 4-5; Mt 2:13-15, 19-23
Saturday	1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13; Jn 1:1-18
Sunday	Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21

WEEKLY EVENTS @ COTLF

SUNDAYS

1:30 pm	Homeless Ministry Service Days (Comber Hall Parking Lot) <i>2nd Sunday, Monthly –</i> homelessministrycotlf@gmail.com
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MONDAYS

10:00 am	Seekers Bible Study (Morras Conference Room AND Via Zoom) Mercy Gonzalez, drmom92@gmail.com
7:00 pm	Grupo Carismatico: Corazon de Jesus (Cafeteria) Maru de Castro, leo12mariposa@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	Ejercicios Espirituales de San Ignacio (Morras Conference Room) Marcia Iglesias, marcia@amprex.net
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
7:00 pm	RCIA Classes (Cafeteria)
7:00 pm	Talleres de Oracion y Vida (Morras Conference Room) Nathalie, 305-496-6425
7:00 pm	Legion of Mary (Legion of Mary House) Maria Lopez, 786-247-3872
8:00 pm	English Charismatic Prayer Group (Chapel Conference Room) Felipe Vizcarrondo, fevmd@bellsouth.net

WEDNESDAYS

4p & 6:30p	Religious Education Classes (St. Theresa School) <i>Visit www.COTLFReligiousEd.org for full calendar</i>
7:00 pm	Communion & Liberation (Chapel Conference Room)
7:30 pm	Women's Emmaus (Reilly Conference Room) Marifer Ordoñez, mfordonez@earthlink.net

THURSDAYS

6:00 pm	Young Adults Praise & Worship Holy Hour (St. Joseph Chapel)
7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal (STS Music Room) Luis Cuza, LCuza@cotlf.org
7:00 pm	Scouts (STS Cafeteria) St Theresa Pack 16, stspack16@gmail.com
7:30 pm	Men's English Emmaus (Reilly Conference Room) Core Team, contact@littlefloweremmaus.org

FRIDAYS

10:00 am	Prayer Shawl Ministry (Morras Conference Room) <i>3rd Fridays, Monthly, Katy Dunn, 305-443-5947</i>
7:00 pm	Amor en Accion Monthly Meeting (STS Cafeteria) <i>1st Fridays, Monthly</i>
8:00 pm	English Marriage Covenant (Zoom) Janetsy Christensen, JanetsyC@bellsouth.net

SATURDAYS

9:00 am	Baptism Preparation Classes (Reilly Conference Room) <i>1st Saturday (ENG), 2nd Saturday (SPA), Monthly</i>
4p & 6:30p	Religious Education Classes (St. Theresa School) <i>Visit www.COTLFReligiousEd.org for full calendar</i>



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

My Dear Friends,

"She wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn." (Luke 2:7)

Merry Christmas! I am so thankful to be sharing my fourth Christmas with all of you as your pastor. We are a family who just observed four joyous weeks of Advent with parties and music and spiritual preparation for this day. We had a joyous time because at the center of it all was the love of family and at the center of the love of family is Jesus Christ. On that holiest of nights centuries ago, the warmth of the family is what kept our Lord warm, and we feel that warmth here in our church as we gather to celebrate more than a birthday. We are gathered to celebrate God's marvelous gift to us in his Son and to hear the ancient Christmas story told again.

We are struck by the simplicity and the depth of Luke's account of the events surrounding Christ's birth, of God's coming into the world. Ten years ago, Pope Benedict XVI gave a stirring Midnight Mass homily that still resonates today:

"Again and again the beauty of this Gospel touches our hearts: a beauty that is the splendor of truth. Again and again it astonishes us that God makes himself a child so that we may love him, so that we may dare to love him, and as a child trustingly lets himself be taken into our arms. It is as if God were saying: I know that my glory frightens you, and that you are trying to assert yourself in the face of my grandeur. So now I am coming to you as a child, so that you can accept me and love me."

What struck me from that paragraph is that God became a child who "trustingly lets himself be taken into our arms." Imagine that? God trusts us. He loves us so much that he humbled himself to the point of becoming a vulnerable little infant totally dependent on humanity. God dependent on humanity: this is love! Totally surrendering himself to us so that we might love or might "dare" to love him. He is the light that has come into our darkness. Notice the art on the bulletin cover that we chose for this weekend. It is "Adoration of the Child" by Gerard von Honthorst. Notice how all the light in this mostly dark painting is emanating by the Christ Child. As the inscription over the reredos says, Christ is indeed the light of the world. Never more resplendent than on that dark night in Bethlehem where the world was seemingly oblivious to this event that altered human history.

As he goes on in his homily, the Pope Emeritus touches upon a rather innocuous verse that goes to the depth of what Christmas and the life of the Christian should be about:

"I am also repeatedly struck by the Gospel writer's almost casual remark that there was no room for them at the inn. Inevitably the question arises, what would happen if Mary and Joseph were to knock at my door. Would there be room for them? And then it occurs to us that Saint John takes up this

seemingly chance comment about the lack of room at the inn, which drove the Holy Family into the stable; he explores it more deeply and arrives at the heart of the matter when he writes: "he came to his own home, and his own people received him not" (Jn 1:11)... do we really have room for God when he seeks to enter under our roof? Do we have time and space for him? Do we not actually turn away God himself? We begin to do so when we have no time for God. The faster we can move, the more efficient our time-saving appliances become, the less time we have. And God? The question of God never seems urgent. Our time is already completely full. But matters go deeper still. Does God actually have a place in our thinking?"

Yes, the question of God is no longer urgent because we simply do not have time for him. I'm always dismayed during Christmas Eve and Christmas of how people try to "squeeze" Mass in between their plans of unwrapping presents or dining as if Jesus is somehow an afterthought on his own birthday! If you are celebrating someone's birthday, wouldn't it be tops on your list to see the guest of honor? But do we have room at the inn? Do we have room in our hearts, in our homes, and in our lives for Jesus? Not just on this day but every day. Mary and Joseph needed to make more room for God because they basically surrendered their entire lives for Jesus and placed him at the center of their lives. As Christians, we are called to do the same. We are called to be like the shepherds who upon hearing the joyous news from the angel went in haste to see the Lord with what the Pope Emeritus called "holy curiosity" which leads him to wonder:

"In our case, it is probably not very often that we make haste for the things of God. God does not feature among the things that require haste. The things of God can wait, we think and we say. And yet he is the most important thing, ultimately the one truly important thing. Why should we not also be moved by curiosity to see more closely and to know what God has said to us? At this hour, let us ask him to touch our hearts with the holy curiosity and the holy joy of the shepherds, and thus let us go over joyfully to Bethlehem, to the Lord who today once more comes to meet us."

As we begin this Christmas season, we pray for this "holy curiosity" so we may grow more in our faith and in the joy of knowing that this manger scene symbolizes how much God truly loves us. So on this Christmas, I leave you with two questions to ponder during this holy season: What space does Jesus Christ occupy in our lives? And when was the last time we went "in haste" to encounter God? If the world only knew what those shepherds discovered on that holy night in Bethlehem. If the world only knew the joy that comes from placing Jesus Christ first and at the center of our lives.

God bless you all,



DEL ESCRITORIO DEL PÁRROCO

Mis queridos amigos,

"Y allí nació su primer hijo, y lo envolvió en pañales y lo acostó en el establo, porque no había alojamiento para ellos en el mesón". (Lucas 2:7)

¡Feliz Navidad! Estoy muy agradecido de compartir mi cuarta Navidad con todos ustedes como su párroco. Somos una familia que acaba de celebrar cuatro alegres semanas de Adviento con fiestas, música y preparación espiritual para este día. Tuvimos un momento de alegría porque en el centro de todo estaba el amor a la familia y en el centro del amor a la familia está Jesucristo. En la más sagrada de las noches hace siglos, el calor de la familia fue lo que mantuvo a nuestro Señor cálido, y sentimos ese calor aquí en nuestra iglesia cuando nos reunimos para celebrar más que un cumpleaños. Estamos reunidos para celebrar el regalo maravilloso de Dios para nosotros en su Hijo y para escuchar la antigua historia de la Navidad contada de nuevo.

Nos sorprende la simplicidad y la profundidad del relato de Lucas de los eventos que rodearon el nacimiento de Cristo, de la venida de Dios al mundo. Hace diez años, el Papa Benedicto XVI presento una homilía conmovedora en la Misa de Medianoche que todavía resuena hoy:

"Una vez más, como siempre, la belleza de este Evangelio nos llega al corazón: una belleza que es esplendor de la verdad. Nuevamente nos conmueve que Dios se haya hecho niño, para que podamos amarlo, para que nos atrevamos a amarlo, y, como niño, se pone confiadamente en nuestras manos. Dice algo así: Sé que mi esplendor te asusta, que ante mi grandeza tratas de afianzarte tú mismo. Pues bien, vengo por tanto a ti como niño, para que puedas acogerme y amarme."

Lo que me llamó la atención de ese párrafo es que Dios se convirtió en un niño que "confiadamente se deja tomar en nuestras manos". ¿Se imaginan eso? Dios confía en nosotros. Nos ama tanto que se humilló hasta el punto de convertirse en un pequeño bebé vulnerable totalmente dependiente de la humanidad. Dios dependiente de la humanidad: ¡eso es amor! Entregarse totalmente a nosotros para que podamos amarlo o "atrevernos" a amarlo. Él es la luz que ha entrado en nuestra oscuridad. Observen el arte en la portada del boletín que elegimos para este fin de semana. Se trata de "La adoración del niño" de Gerard von Honthorst. Observen cómo toda la luz en esta pintura en su mayoría oscura emana del Niño Jesús. Como dice la inscripción sobre el retablo, Cristo es ciertamente la luz del mundo. Nunca más resplandeciente que en aquella noche oscura de Belén, donde el mundo parecía ajeno a este acontecimiento que alteró la historia humana.

A medida que avanza en su homilía, el Papa emérito toca un versículo bastante inocuo que profundiza en lo que debería ser la Navidad y la vida del cristiano:

"Nuevamente me llega al corazón esa palabra del evangelista, dicha casi de pasada, de que no había lugar para ellos en la posada. Surge inevitablemente la pregunta sobre qué pasaría si María y José llamaran a mi puerta. ¿Habría lugar para ellos? Y después nos percatamos de que esta noticia aparentemente

casual de la falta de sitio en la posada, que lleva a la Sagrada Familia al establo, es profundizada en su esencia por el evangelista Juan cuando escribe: «Vino a su casa, y los suyos no la recibieron» (Jn 1,11)...¿Tenemos un puesto para Dios cuando él trata de entrar en nosotros? ¿Tenemos tiempo y espacio para él? ¿No es precisamente a Dios mismo al que rechazamos? Y así se comienza porque no tenemos tiempo para Dios. Cuanto más rápidamente nos movemos, cuanto más eficaces son los medios que nos permiten ahorrar tiempo, menos tiempo nos queda disponible. ¿Y Dios? Lo que se refiere a él, nunca parece urgente. Nuestro tiempo ya está completamente ocupado. Pero la cuestión va todavía más a fondo. ¿Tiene Dios realmente un lugar en nuestro pensamiento?

Sí, la pregunta de Dios ya no es urgente porque simplemente no tenemos tiempo para él. ¡Siempre estoy consternado durante la víspera de Navidad y la Navidad de cómo la gente trata de "encajar" la misa entre sus planes de abrir regalos o cenar como si Jesús fuese de alguna manera una ocurrencia tardía en su propio cumpleaños! Si están celebrando el cumpleaños de alguien, ¿no sería lo primero en su lista ver al invitado de honor? Pero ¿tenemos espacio en la posada? ¿Tenemos espacio en nuestros corazones, en nuestros hogares y en nuestras vidas para Jesús? No solo en este día, sino todos los días. María y José necesitaron hacer más espacio para Dios porque básicamente entregaron toda su vida por Jesús y lo colocaron en el centro de sus vidas. Como cristianos, estamos llamados a hacer lo mismo. Estamos llamados a ser como los pastores que al escuchar la noticia alegre del ángel fueron apresuradamente a ver al Señor con lo que el Papa Emérito llamó "santa curiosidad" que lo lleva a preguntarse:

"Tal vez es muy raro entre nosotros que nos apresuremos por las cosas de Dios. Hoy, Dios no forma parte de las realidades urgentes. Las cosas de Dios, así decimos y pensamos, pueden esperar. Y, sin embargo, él es la realidad más importante, el Único que, en definitiva, importa realmente. ¿Por qué no deberíamos también nosotros dejarnos llevar por la curiosidad de ver más de cerca y conocer lo que Dios nos ha dicho? Pidámosle que la santa curiosidad y la santa alegría de los pastores nos inciten también hoy a nosotros, y vayamos pues con alegría allá, a Belén; hacia el Señor que también hoy viene de nuevo entre nosotros."

Al comenzar esta temporada navideña, oremos por esta "santa curiosidad" para que podamos crecer más en nuestra fe y en la alegría de saber que esta escena del pesebre simboliza cuánto Dios realmente nos ama. Así que, en esta Navidad, los dejo con dos preguntas para reflexionar durante esta temporada santa: ¿Qué espacio ocupa Jesucristo en nuestras vidas? ¿Y cuándo fue la última vez que fuimos "apresuradamente" a encontrarnos con Dios? Si el mundo supiera lo que esos pastores descubrieron en esa noche santa en Belén. Si el mundo tan solo supiera el gozo que proviene de poner a Jesucristo primero y en el centro de nuestras vidas.

Que Dios los bendiga a todos,

Fr. Manny

CHRISTMAS SEASON MASS SCHEDULE

*The Feast of the
Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph*

Friday, December 30th

6:15am and 8:00am - English

5:30pm - Spanish

*The Solemnity of
Mary, the Holy Mother of God*

Saturday, December 31st

5:00pm - Vigil

Sunday, January 1st, 2023

7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am,

and 5:30pm - English

12:30pm - Spanish

*The Solemnity of the
Epiphany of the Lord*

Saturday, January 7th, 2023

5:00pm - Vigil

Sunday, January 8th, 2023

7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am,

and 5:30pm - English

12:30pm - Spanish

*The Feast of the
Baptism of the Lord*

Monday, January 9th, 2023

6:15am and 8:00am - English

5:30pm - Spanish

Christmas Worship
Give Baby Jesus the Gift of Music

with The Call, Sunday Jan 8th at 5pm, before the 5:30pm Mass



Year End
GIVING

Thanks to the overwhelming generosity of our parishioners, visitors, and friends this year, we were able to proactively address several maintenance and upkeep projects needing attention around the parish. From the air conditioning units in Comber Hall to the sound system in the church to the general maintenance of our almost 100-year-old office center, rectory house and school, minor problems were able to be fixed or replaced before they had the chance to become major problems. These are only the “tip of the iceberg” of areas needing attention, however.

Please consider making a special end-of-year Christmas gift to the Parish, which will allow us to maintain our proactive approach to the maintenance and care of our beautiful buildings, grounds, and sacred spaces, to continue offering exceptional ministry and service in our local community, and to facilitate a profound encounter with Jesus Christ for all who come to our parish. If you or your business would like to make a tax-deductible donation before December 31, please contact our Development Director, Ashley Sacks, in the Parish Office.

God bless your generosity, *Father Manny*

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEARS OFFICE CLOSURES

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, December 26th. Limited staff will be available from Tuesday, December 27th through Friday, December 30th, but the office will be open. Next week, the Parish Office will be closed on Monday, January 2nd for New Year's and will resume regular operations on Tuesday, January 3rd.



2023 Catholic Art Calendars

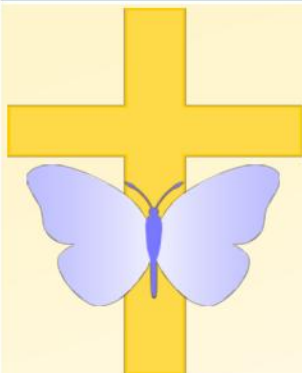
The 2023 Catholic Art Calendars have arrived and they will be distributed at all Masses the weekend of Saturday, December 31st and Sunday, January 1st.

We thank our longtime calendar sponsors,
Pilar Hopkins & Associates Realty Inc.,
The Law Office of Patricia Bango Diaz,
and SeaChange Solutions, Inc.
 for their continued support and we hope you
 enjoy the beautiful 2023 Calendars!



WOMEN'S EMMAUS RETREAT

The Church of the Little Flower Women's Emmaus Ministry cordially invites you to our next retreat. Join us for a weekend of joy, hope and renewal. Make new friends and take time to strengthen your relationship with God. You will be pampered and loved!! Come to an Emmaus retreat and you will never be the same again!



When: February 3rd, 4th, and 5th, 2023
Where: Casa Manresa 12190 S.W. 56th Street (Miller Dr.) Miami, Florida 33183
Cost: \$200 donation

For more information, please contact Lily Portu at 305-970-8696 / lilyportu@gmail.com
 or Lizzeet Sobalvarro at 305-726-7650 / lizzeets@bellsouth.net

Attend the Gables Chili Fest 2023



Sunday January 15, 2023 11am-6pm
270 Catalonia Avenue Coral Gables, FL 33134

TICKETS AT: www.kofc3274.org
Website: www.coralgableschilifest.com

All proceeds benefit the families of fallen members of the military and first responders, and those injured in the line of duty

- More than a dozen local teams competing for the title of "Best Chili"
- Enjoy many tasty chili dishes and other food
- Order chili sampling tickets early to save \$\$\$
- Full bar stocked by event sponsors Lincoln's Beard Brewing Company and Jack Daniels
- Fun for the whole family!

2023 EVENT SPONSORS





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*El lunes, 26 de Diciembre, el Padre Antonio Carrión celebrara su 45 aniversario de ordenación sacerdotal en la misa de las 5:30pm.
¡Le damos gracias a Dios por el don del sacerdocio y el ministerio del Padre Carrión!*

LITTLE FLOWER CONCERT SERIES

SERAPHIC FIRE PRESENTS: OLD | NEW
FRIDAY, JANUARY 20TH — 8:00PM



Guest conductor Jason Max Ferdinand leads a program that sees contemporary composers breathing new life into traditional melodies and texts. Aaron Copland's Old American Songs blur the line between historic and contemporary. Originally written for baritone William Warfield and tenor Peter Pears, the Old American Songs dress traditional tunes in 20th-century clothing. Masterpieces by modernist Betty Jackson King and Renaissance man Thomas Tomkins meld with arresting contemporary gems by Ken Burton and Stacy Gibbs, sparkling against a backdrop of bedrock works by William Dawson, Moses Hogan, and Hal Johnson.

Purchase your tickets today at www.LFConcerts.org



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Leading Them Towards a More
Christ-Centered Life.*

Mark your Calendars!!

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*To learn more about American Heritage Girls, please visit
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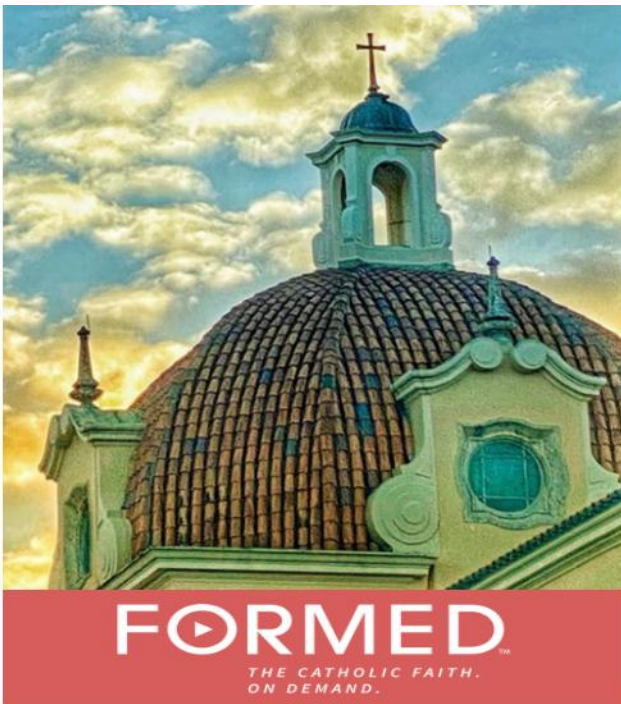
COTLF PARISH PRAYER LIST

As the number of names being added to our Parish Prayer List has continued to grow, we've moved the list online, under the Perpetual Adoration page of our parish website.

Please visit www.cotlf.org/Adoration to view those added to the list and please pray for them during your next visit to the Adoration Chapel.

To add or remove the name of a parishioner, relative, or friend to our Parish Prayer List please contact us at the Parish Office.





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With your "*My Own Church*" log-in, you'll be able to review your family member and contact information, easily provide any updates, find your envelope number, review your annual contribution history, and more. As always, you can also call or visit the parish office for any assistance with registering or updating your record.

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Today is born
our Savior,
Christ the
Lord.
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