



Church of the LITTLE FLOWER



The
Light

February 5th, 2023

V SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

V DOMINGO EN EL TIEMPO ORDINARIO



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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
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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

- † Lily Marie Milnor
- † Madison Milnor
- † Ian Lissollas
- † Connor Levi Llaguno
- † Maya Christina Vidal
- † Antonella Marie Yanez



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

- † Derrick Diaz
& Belinda Tapanes
- † Daniel Mosqueira
& Kristina Cabrera



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

- † Antonio Tomasello
- † Helena Ruiz
- † Miriam Motola Rivero

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

JANUARY 29TH

Mass Attendance:	2,524
In-Church Collection:	\$11,758
Online Giving Offertory:	\$11,560
Drop-off & Mail-in Offering:	\$1,495
Children's Collection:	\$888
Devotional Candles:	\$712
Poor Box/Charities*:	\$366

*Combined in-person and online

*Thank you for your generosity!
¡Gracias por su generosidad!*

Grand Total: \$26,779

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

WEEKLY EVENTS @ COTLF

Sunday, February 5th

V Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 pm Sat + Alberto & Virtudes Torre de Alba
 7:30 am Intentions of the Murdock Family
 9:00 am + Nicholas A. Cirillo and Julia & Family
 10:30 am **Missa Pro Populo - For All Members of Our Parish Family**
 12:30 pm + Magnolia de Los Angeles Alvarez Miyares
 5:30 pm + Enrique Gallardo

Monday, February 6th

Memorial of Saint Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs

6:15 am + Marta y Manuel Gonzalez
 8:00 am + John Michael Taylor
 5:30 pm **Misa Comunitaria**

Tuesday, February 7th

Tuesday of Week V in Ordinary Time

6:15 am + Enrique y Eloisa Artze
 8:00 am + Eneleida Alfonso
 5:30 pm **Misa Comunitaria**

Wednesday, February 8th

Memorial of St. Josephine Bakhita, Virgin

6:15 am + Aleida Franco
 8:00 am Miguel Suarez y Familia
 5:30 pm **Misa Comunitaria**

Thursday, February 9th

Thursday of Week V in Ordinary Time

6:15 am Benito Diaz
 8:00 am Angel Gonzalez y Emilia Beceña
 5:30 pm **Misa Comunitaria**

Friday, February 10th

Memorial of Saint Scholastica, Virgin

6:15 am + Ofelia Rodriguez
 8:00 am + Elvira Cruz Brahm
 5:30 pm **Misa Comunitaria**

Saturday, February 11th

Saturday of Week V in Ordinary Time

8:00 am For the Sick of the Parish

Sunday, February 12th

VI Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 pm Sat Intentions of Peter Murdock
 7:30 am Marcela Paz' Birthday
 9:00 am + Maria Rosa Uria Bernardo
 10:30 am **Missa Pro Populo - For All Members of Our Parish Family**
 12:30 pm + Carmen Rivero
 5:30 pm + Intentions of Ileana y Lydia

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 5TH, 2023

Sunday	Is 58:7-10; Ps 112:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; 1 Cor 2:1-5; Mt 5:13-16
Monday	Gn 1:1-19; Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10 & 12, 24 & 35c; Mk 6:53-56
Tuesday	Gn 1:20 --2:4a; Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Mk 7:1-13
Wednesday	Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17; Ps 104:1-2a, 27-28, 29bc-30; Mk 7:14-23
Thursday	Gn 2:18-25; Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5; Mk 7:24-30
Friday	Gn 3:1-8; Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7; Mk 7:31-37
Saturday	Gn 3:9-24; Ps 90:2, 3-4abc, 5-6, 12-13; Mk 8:1-10
Sunday	Sir 15:15-20; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34; 1 Cor 2:6-10; Mt 5:17-37

SUNDAYS

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

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](tel:305-335-4104)
 7:00 pm **RCIA Classes** (Cafeteria)
 7:30 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)
 Felipe Vizcarrondo, fevmd@bellsouth.net

WEDNESDAYS

4p & 6:30p **Religious Education Classes** (St. Theresa School)
 Visit www.COTLFReligiousEd.org for full calendar
 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
 7:30 pm **Talleres — Curso Matrimonial** (Morras Conference Room)
 Eva y Francisco Guia, [305-984-5944](tel:305-984-5944), evagua11@gmail.com

FRIDAYS

10:00 am **Prayer Shawl Ministry** (Morras Conference Room)
 3rd Fridays, Monthly, Katy Dunn, [305-443-5947](tel:305-443-5947)
 7:00 pm **Amor en Accion Monthly Meeting** (Reilly Conference Room)
 1st Fridays, Monthly
 8:00 pm **English Marriage Covenant** (Zoom)
 Janetsy Christensen, JanetsyC@bellsouth.net

SATURDAYS

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



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

My Dear Friends,

Last year our parish celebrated 114 weddings! What a gift! Since this is one the biggest ministries we have as a parish, I thought it would be only right, as we celebrate National Marriage Week, to speak about the vocation to marriage and allow an old friend to assist me.

When I was ordained a deacon 22 years ago, I was given a book by a priest friend that was written by a Vietnamese Cardinal that I had never heard of. Cardinal Francis Xavier Nguyen Van Thuan was selected by St. John Paul II to preach the Lenten retreat to the pope and to the Roman Curia during the Great Jubilee of the Year 2000. It was during that retreat that more details of Cardinal Thuan's life in Vietnam came to light. In 1975, he was named Archbishop of Saigon but was not allowed by the Communist regime to enter into the city and was placed under house arrest. He was very famous for his work as a bishop in other parts of the country and the government saw him as a threat, so he spent the next 13 years of his life in prison. He wanted to serve his people. He wanted to provide light to them amidst the darkness that enveloped his country. He began to write short catechesis on scraps of paper and found a way to smuggle them out to his people. While in prison, the people took these teachings and formed a book out of them called the "Road to Hope." The people would also smuggle into prison a bottle of cough medicine for the bishop but it was not cough medicine, the bottle contained wine so that along with the crumbs of bread the bishop got from his food rations, he could celebrate Mass. He would place a drop of wine in the palm of one hand and a crumb of bread in the other, and in that dark prison cell he would say the Mass from memory and offer the Divine Sacrifice. Between his prayers and those scraps of paper, he was able to shepherd the people in some small way and let his light shine in that dark cell. Among the many topics that he wrote about was the family and the importance of upholding the sacrament of Holy Matrimony as a vocation. Even while surrounded by darkness, he provided his people, and now us by extension, with an incredible teaching to illuminate our understanding of marriage and family.

With each passing day, I become more convinced that the challenge laid down by Jesus in today's gospel to let our light shine so that others may see our good deeds must come from our families. All of us as individuals are called to be the light of the world, but when you see a shining example of a family that radiates with Christ's love, that is a powerful witness! The Christian family must be a beacon that draws others to follow their example of love, and of course it must start with the head and heart of the family: the husband and wife / the father and mother. If the light of Christ begins to shine from the very beginning of a marriage from the love that emanates from a husband and wife, then the family is set on a firm foundation that allows it to be a light for the world. For this, young couples must understand the beauty of marriage if they are to let their light shine before all.

Cardinal Thuan's beautiful catechesis on this sacrament taught that the first thing we must consider is that marriage is a vocation:

In our time the Church has mapped out a spirituality of marriage which allows us to see that marriage is the means by which the human race is to develop and flourish and that it is thus truly a

vocation to holiness. Are you surprised to hear of the 'vocation to be parents of a family'? People are mistaken when they restrict the idea of a vocation, that is, a calling to perfection, to the priest or religious alone. When, by means of the sacrament of Matrimony, two people solemnly promise to love one another in Christ for their entire lives, is this not a profession of faith a profession of vows?

He places marriage on par with priests and religious who consecrate their lives for the sake of the gospel. If we view marriage as a divine calling, then the whole dynamic changes. We begin to see this sacrament not as a rite of passage for a relationship but as something that two people have been called by God to enter into. This is something the world does not understand as the Cardinal points out:

It is truly regrettable that the civilized world's comprehension of the Catholic doctrine concerning marriage is limited to some of its prohibitions. From these the world does not gain the slightest inkling that Jesus came to redeem humanity through love, and that through the sacrament of Matrimony humanity is enriched in an extraordinary way.

If only more couples preparing for this sacrament could understand this! If only they could approach their wedding day not as a lavish event whose spiritual meaning keeps getting diminished by all the trappings, but approach the sacrament as a religious would approach his/her profession of vows or how a priest would approach his ordination. Oh how things would change if our young couples understood the magnitude of what they are doing so that they could in turn transform the world through their new families. The love of Christ is that light that must shine through us particularly through our families. The holier the family, the greater the light. But how does a Christian husband and wife achieve this holiness? Is it possible? Of course it is:

To love your spouse is to act according to the will of God. When you realize this, you will understand that you can fulfill your vocation in the most ordinary circumstances of your life by perceiving God's call even in the most trifling activity a response to the call of God. This is a revelation that will revolutionize your whole life... The love that exists between a husband and wife is an extension of God's love. How uplifting and encouraging for the married couple is this love! God has given you a loving spouse and beautiful children so that you may help one another to become holy. What have you done with this gift?... You must discover that you can and indeed have the responsibility to become holy in marriage and through marriage.

So being holy is not just a calling, but a responsibility when we receive this sacrament or any sacrament for that matter. But when it comes to the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony, the love between a husband and wife is Christ's love poured out for them which they in turn pour out to their children and to all the Church. To be the light of the world, we must recover the holiness of family and to recover the holiness of family, we must recover the holiness that must exist in this sacrament that is rightly called HOLY Matrimony. It is time for our families to reclaim the holiness that rightly belongs to them so that we may indeed let our light shine before all.

God bless you all,



DEL ESCRITORIO DEL PÁRROCO

Mis queridos amigos,

¡El año pasado nuestra parroquia celebró 114 bodas! ¡Qué regalo! Dado que este es uno de los ministerios más grandes que tenemos como parroquia, pensé que sería correcto, a medida que nos acercamos al Día de San Valentín, hablar sobre la vocación al matrimonio y permitir que un viejo amigo me ayude.

Cuando fui ordenado diácono hace 22 años, un amigo sacerdote me dio un libro escrito por un cardenal vietnamita del que nunca había oído hablar. El cardenal Francis Xavier Nguyen Van Thuan fue seleccionado por San Juan Pablo II para predicar el retiro cuaresmal al Papa y a la Curia Romana durante el Gran Jubileo del año 2000. Fue durante ese retiro que salieron a la luz más detalles de la vida del cardenal Thuan en Vietnam. En 1975, fue nombrado arzobispo de Saigón, pero el régimen comunista no le permitió entrar en la ciudad y fue puesto bajo arresto domiciliario. Era muy famoso por su trabajo como obispo en otras partes del país y el gobierno lo vio como una amenaza, por lo cual pasó los siguientes 13 años de su vida en prisión. Quería servir a su pueblo. Quería proporcionarles luz en medio de la oscuridad que envolvía a su país. Comenzó a escribir catequesis cortas en trozos de papel y encontró una manera de contrabandearlos a su pueblo. Mientras estaba en la prisión, la gente tomó estas enseñanzas y formó un libro con ellas llamado el "Camino a la esperanza". La gente también contrabandeaba a la cárcel una botella de medicina para la tos del obispo, pero no era medicina para la tos, la botella contenía vino para que, junto con las migajas de pan que el obispo obtenía de sus raciones de comida, pudiera celebrar la misa. Colocaba una gota de vino en la palma de una mano y una miga de pan en la otra, y en esa oscura celda de la prisión celebraba la Misa de memoria y ofrecía el Sacrificio Divino. Entre sus oraciones y esos trozos de papel, fue capaz de guiar a la gente de alguna manera pequeña y dejar que su luz brillara en esa celda oscura. Entre los muchos temas sobre los que escribió estaba el de la familia y la importancia de defender el sacramento del Santo Matrimonio como vocación. Incluso mientras estaba rodeado de oscuridad, proporcionó a su pueblo, y ahora a nosotros por extensión, una enseñanza increíble para iluminar nuestra comprensión del matrimonio y la familia.

Con cada día que pasa, me convengo más de que el desafío establecido por Jesús en el evangelio de hoy de dejar que nuestra luz brille para que otros puedan ver nuestras buenas obras debe provenir de nuestras familias. Todos nosotros como individuos estamos llamados a ser la luz del mundo, pero cuando ves un ejemplo brillante de una familia que irradia el amor de Cristo, jese es un testimonio poderoso! La familia cristiana debe ser un faro que atraiga a otros a seguir su ejemplo de amor, y por supuesto debe comenzar con la cabeza y el corazón de la familia: el esposo y la esposa / el padre y la madre. Si la luz de Cristo comienza a brillar desde el comienzo mismo de un matrimonio del amor que emana de un esposo y una esposa, entonces la familia está asentada sobre una base firme que le permite ser una luz para el mundo. Para esto, las parejas jóvenes deben comprender la belleza del matrimonio si quieren dejar que su luz brille ante todos.

La hermosa catequesis del cardenal Thuan sobre este sacramento enseñó que lo primero que debemos considerar es que el matrimonio es una vocación:

En nuestro tiempo, la Iglesia ha trazado una espiritualidad del matrimonio que nos permite ver que el matrimonio es el medio por el cual la raza humana debe desarrollarse y florecer y que, por lo tanto,

es verdaderamente una vocación a la santidad. ¿Te sorprende oír hablar de la "vocación de ser padres de familia"? Las personas se equivocan cuando restringen la idea de una vocación, es decir, una llamada a la perfección, solo al sacerdote o al religioso. Cuando, por medio del sacramento del matrimonio, dos personas prometen solemnemente amarse mutuamente en Cristo durante toda su vida, ¿no es esto una profesión de fe una profesión de votos?

El pone el matrimonio a la par con los sacerdotes y religiosos que consagran sus vidas por el bien del evangelio. Si vemos el matrimonio como un llamado divino, entonces toda la dinámica cambia. Comenzamos a ver este sacramento no como una etapa para una relación, sino como algo en lo que dos personas han sido llamadas por Dios a iniciar. Esto es algo que el mundo no entiende como señala el cardenal:

Es verdaderamente lamentable que la comprensión del mundo civilizado de la doctrina católica sobre el matrimonio se limite a algunas de sus prohibiciones. De ellos el mundo no obtiene la menor idea de que Jesús vino a redimir a la humanidad a través del amor, y que a través del sacramento del matrimonio la humanidad se enriquece de manera extraordinaria.

¡Ojalá más parejas que se preparan para este sacramento pudieran entender esto! Si tan solo se enfrentara a ver el día de su boda no como un evento lujoso cuyo significado espiritual sigue disminuyendo por todos los adornos, sino enfrentarse al sacramento como un religioso se enfrentaría a su profesión de votos o cómo un sacerdote se enfrentaría a su ordenación. Oh, cómo cambiarían las cosas si nuestras parejas jóvenes entendieran la magnitud de lo que están haciendo para que a su vez puedan transformar el mundo a través de sus nuevas familias. El amor de Cristo es esa luz que debe brillar a través de nosotros, particularmente a través de nuestras familias. Cuanto más santa es la familia, mayor es la luz. Pero ¿cómo logra un esposo y una esposa cristianos esta santidad? ¿Es posible? Por supuesto que es:

Amar a tu cónyuge es actuar de acuerdo con la voluntad de Dios. Cuando te des cuenta de esto, comprenderás que puedes cumplir tu vocación en las circunstancias más ordinarias de tu vida percibiendo el llamado de Dios, incluso en la actividad más insignificante, una respuesta al llamado de Dios. Esta es una revelación que revolucionará toda tu vida... El amor que existe entre un esposo y una esposa es una extensión del amor de Dios. ¡Qué edificante y alentador para la pareja casada es este amor! Dios les ha dado un cónyuge amoroso y hermosos hijos para que puedan ayudarse unos a otros a ser santos. ¿Qué has hecho con este regalo?... Debes descubrir que puedes y de hecho tienes la responsabilidad de llegar a ser santo en el matrimonio y a través del matrimonio.

Así que ser santo no es solo un llamado, sino una responsabilidad cuando recibimos este sacramento o cualquier sacramento para el caso. Pero cuando se trata del sacramento del Santo Matrimonio, el amor entre marido y mujer es el amor de Cristo derramado por ellos que ellos a su vez derraman a sus hijos y a toda la Iglesia. Para ser la luz del mundo, debemos recuperar la santidad de la familia y para recuperar la santidad de la familia, debemos recuperar la santidad que debe existir en este sacramento que se llama con razón SANTO Matrimonio. Es hora de que nuestras familias reclamen la santidad que les pertenece por derecho para que podamos dejar que nuestra luz brille ante todos.

Que Dios los bendiga a todos,

Fr. Manny



THANK YOU, COTLF BLOOD DONORS!

On behalf of Alexandra Herrera and all those whose lives have been saved by blood donors, thank you to ALL who donated blood here at COTLF this past weekend!

OneBlood was able to collect 32 pints of whole blood, 6 double RBCs, 4 platelets, and 4 plasma donations, making it the best blood drive here at the parish since 2009!

The OneBlood Big Red Bus will return again on Sunday, April 30th.

I WILL GO *Lord,* IF YOU LEAD ME

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COTLF Homeless Ministry Update

During the month of February, the COTLF Homeless Ministry will be participating in the annual "Mission Hygiene Drive " taking place at the Caring Place (Miami Rescue Mission). As part of this campaign, we have secured over 100 empty purple plastic bags that need to be filled with personal hygiene items for homeless men and women in need. Instead of collecting food items this month, we will be collecting the following personal hygiene items for both men and women: Soap Bars, Shampoo, Deodorant, Toothpaste, Toothbrushes, Shaving Cream, Disposable Razors, Baby Wipes, Combs and Brushes. (Note: Please make sure these are not travel sized items)

Personal hygiene items can be dropped off **only** during the following weekend Masses at the COTLF Homeless Ministry Donation Collection Area inside the church:

- Saturday, February 11, 2023 (Evening Mass)
- Saturday, February 18, 2023 (Evening Mass)

- Sunday, February 12, 2023
- Sunday, February 19, 2023

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

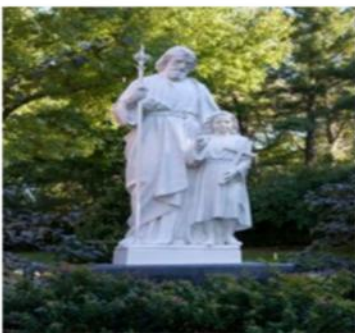
LITTLE FLOWER CONCERT SERIES

**SERAPHIC FIRE PRESENTS: BEGINNING/END
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24TH — 8:00PM**



Joyous arrivals and awe-inspiring departures feature in the closing concert of Seraphic Fire's third annual Enlightenment Festival. Selections from Johann Sebastian Bach's Christmas Oratorio portray an expectant mother preparing for a child's arrival and the Magi searching for that child. The Ascension Oratorio is particularly thrilling with spectacular opening and closing trumpets, its coloratura passages, and equally challenging chorale. Chamber orchestra and students from the UCLA Ensemble Artist Program join Seraphic Fire singers to perform two of Bach's great works in a burst of sonic glory in this arresting program.

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Silent Retreat modeled after St. Ignatius of Loyola

Men's Spiritual Exercises

February 24 – 26
2023



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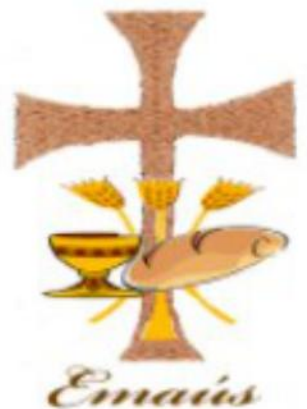
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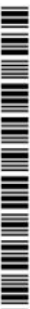
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COTLF PARISH PRAYER LIST

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.





WELCOME, FR. FRANCIS!

This past week, COTLF welcomed a new priest-in-residence, Fr. Francis Gnanasegaram. Fr. Francis serves as a chaplain at Baptist Hospital and will be living here at the COTLF Rectory, assisting with Masses, confessions, and other liturgies. Welcome, Fr. Francis!!



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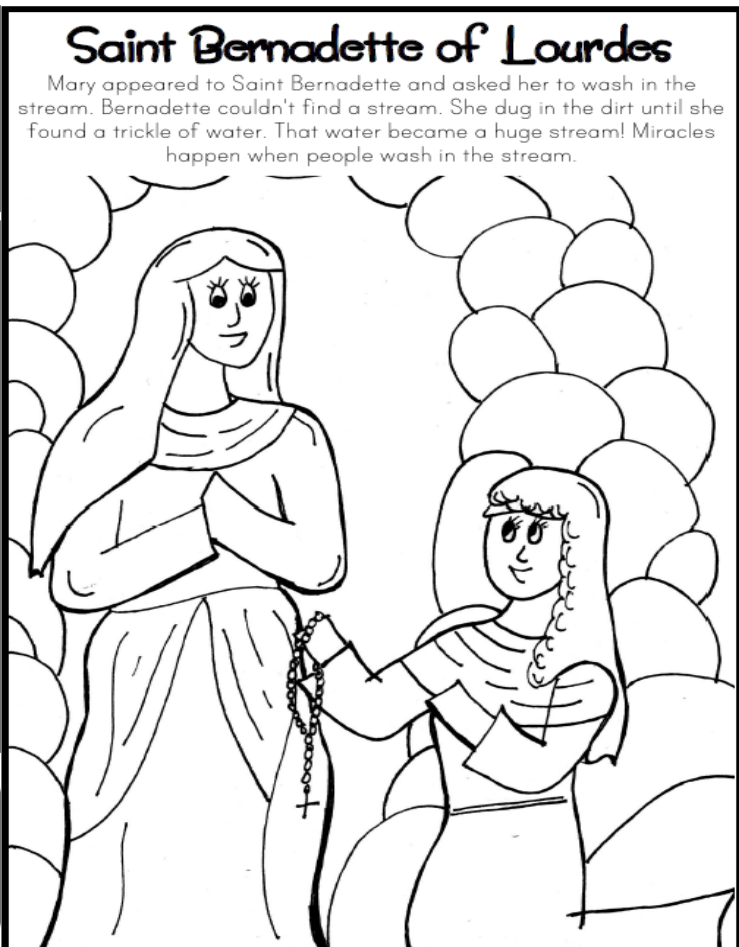
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