



# Church of the LITTLE FLOWER



The  
Light

*May 14th, 2023*

*Happy Mother's Day!*

VI SUNDAY OF EASTER

V IDOMINGO DE PASCUA



***Pastor***

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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

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## 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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### School Office Hours

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

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## SACRED STEPS | SACRAMENTAL CELEBRATIONS AT COTLF



Welcome to the Catholic Church!  
Congratulations to  
Our Newly Baptized

† Olivia Nicole Martinez  
† Olivia Brielle Rosales



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

† Osvaldo Diaz  
& Bonnie Garcia  
† William Bischoff  
& Alexandra Bazan



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

† Alina Fernandez

## 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](http://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](http://cotlf.org/weddings) para mas información.

## SIGNS OF OUR STEWARDSHIP

MAY 7<sup>TH</sup>

Mass Attendance:	1,786
In-Church Collection:	\$9,824
Online Giving Offertory:	\$13,082
Drop-off & Mail-in Offering:	\$545
Children's Collection:	\$494
Devotional Candles:	\$974
Poor Box/Charities*:	\$347

\*Combined in-person and online

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

**Grand Total: \$25,266**



## MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

## WEEKLY EVENTS @ COTLF

### Sunday, May 14<sup>th</sup>

VI SUNDAY OF EASTER / MOTHER'S DAY

5:00 pm Sat	Intentions of the Murdock Family
7:30 am	Intentions of the Murdock Family
9:00 am	Mother's Day Novena
10:30 am	<b>Missa Pro Populo - For All Members of Our Parish Family</b>
12:30 pm	+ Dr. Ester P. Marin
5:30 pm	+ Celestino & Justina Hernandez

### Monday, May 15<sup>th</sup>

Monday of Week VI of Easter / Memorial of St. Isidore the Farmer

6:15 am	Mother's Day Novena
8:00 am	+ Elisa Canosa
5:30 pm	<b>Misa Comunitaria</b>

### Tuesday, May 16<sup>th</sup>

Tuesday of Week VI of Easter

6:15 am	Mother's Day Novena
8:00 am	+ Frank Fonseca
5:30 pm	<b>Misa Comunitaria</b>

### Wednesday, May 17<sup>th</sup>

Wednesday of Week VI of Easter

6:15 am	Mother's Day Novena
8:00 am	+ Alejandro & Olga Danger
5:30 pm	<b>Misa Comunitaria</b>

### Thursday, May 18<sup>th</sup>

Thursday of Week VI of Easter / Memorial of St. John I, Pope & Martyr

6:15 am	Mother's Day Novena
8:00 am	+ Joanna Margarita Alemany
5:30 pm	<b>Misa Comunitaria</b>

### Friday, May 19<sup>th</sup>

Friday of Week VI of Easter

6:15 am	Mother's Day Novena
8:00 am	+ Marie Oconnell
5:30 pm	<b>Misa Comunitaria</b>

### Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup>

Saturday of Week VI of Easter / Memorial of St. Bernardine of Siena, Priest, Religious

8:00 am	Mother's Day Novena
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### Sunday, May 21<sup>st</sup>

SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

5:00 pm Sat	+ Bernardina Abreu
7:30 am	+ Olga Sardiñas
9:00 am	Mother's Day Novena
10:30 am	<b>Missa Pro Populo - For All Members of Our Parish Family</b>
12:30 pm	+ Juan Hurtado
5:30 pm	+ Ofelia San Pedro

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 14TH, 2023

Sunday	Acts 8:5-8, 14-17; Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20; 1Pt 3:15-18; Jn 14:15-21
Monday	Acts 16:11-15; Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b; Jn 15:26-16:4
Tuesday	Acts 16:22-34; Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8; Jn 16:5-11
Wednesday	Acts 17:15, 22-18:1; Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14; Jn 16:12-15
Thursday	Acts 18:1-8; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Jn 16:16-20
Friday	Acts 18:9-18; Ps 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Jn 16:20-23
Saturday	Acts 18:23-28; Ps 47:2-3, 8-9, 10; Jn 16:23b-28
Sunday	Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9; Eph 1:17-23; Mt 28:16-20

### SUNDAYS

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

10:00 am	<b>Seekers Bible Study</b> (Morras Conference Room AND Via Zoom) Mercy Gonzalez, <a href="mailto:drmom92@gmail.com">drmom92@gmail.com</a>
7:00 pm	<b>Grupo Carismatico: Corazon de Jesus</b> (Cafeteria) Maru de Castro, <a href="mailto:leo12mariposa@gmail.com">leo12mariposa@gmail.com</a>
7:00 pm	<b>Cristo en Cuba</b> (Chapel Conference Room) Adriano Garcia, <a href="mailto:adrianogar@aol.com">adrianogar@aol.com</a>
7:00 pm	<b>Adult Bible Study Group</b> (Zoom) Julie Otero, <a href="mailto:JOtero@vistacolor.com">JOtero@vistacolor.com</a>
7:30 pm	<b>Ejercicios Espirituales de San Ignacio</b> (Morras Conference Room) Marcia Iglesias, <a href="mailto:marcia@amprex.net">marcia@amprex.net</a>
7:30 pm	<b>Emaus de Hombres</b> (Reilly Conference Room) Pedro D. Gonzalez, <a href="mailto:pdgv209@gmail.com">pdgv209@gmail.com</a>

### TUESDAYS

6:30 pm	<b>Reaching for a Smile Rosary</b> (St. Joseph Chapel) Maru de Castro, <a href="tel:305-335-4104">305-335-4104</a>
7:00 pm	<b>RCIA Classes</b> (Cafeteria)
7:00 pm	<b>Legion of Mary</b> (Legion of Mary House) Maria Lopez, <a href="tel:786-247-3872">786-247-3872</a>
7:30 pm	<b>Talleres de Oracion y Vida</b> (Morras Conference Room) Ingrid Pilon, <a href="tel:305-282-4607">305-282-4607</a>
8:00 pm	<b>English Charismatic Prayer Group</b> (Chapel Conference Room) Felipe Vizcarrondo, <a href="mailto:fevmd@bellsouth.net">fevmd@bellsouth.net</a>

### WEDNESDAYS

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

### THURSDAYS

6:00 pm	<b>Young Adults Praise &amp; Worship Holy Hour</b> (St. Joseph Chapel)
7:00 pm	<b>Choir Rehearsal</b> (STS Music Room) Luis Cuza, <a href="mailto:LCuza@cotlf.org">LCuza@cotlf.org</a>
7:00 pm	<b>Scouts</b> (STS Cafeteria) St Theresa Pack 16, <a href="mailto:stspack16@gmail.com">stspack16@gmail.com</a>
7:30 pm	<b>Men's English Emmaus</b> (Reilly Conference Room) Core Team, <a href="mailto:contact@littlefloweremmaus.org">contact@littlefloweremmaus.org</a>
7:30 pm	<b>Talleres – Curso Matrimonial</b> (Chapel Conference Room) Eva y Francisco Guia, <a href="tel:305-984-5944">305-984-5944</a> , <a href="mailto:evaguaia11@gmail.com">evaguaia11@gmail.com</a>

### FRIDAYS

10:00 am	<b>Prayer Shawl Ministry</b> (Morras Conference Room) <i>3rd Fridays, Monthly; Katy Dunn, <a href="tel:305-443-5947">305-443-5947</a></i>
6:15 pm	<b>American Heritage Girls</b> (Cafeteria) <i>2nd and 4th Fridays, Monthly; Holly Gomez, <a href="mailto:holly@gomezmiami.com">holly@gomezmiami.com</a></i>
7:00 pm	<b>Amor en Accion Monthly Meeting</b> (Reilly Conference Room) <i>Last Fridays, Monthly</i>
8:00 pm	<b>English Marriage Covenant</b> (Zoom) Janetsy Christensen, <a href="mailto:JanetsyC@bellsouth.net">JanetsyC@bellsouth.net</a>

### SATURDAYS

7:00 am	<b>First Saturday Devotion Rosary</b> (Church) <i>1st Saturday, Monthly; Mercy Gonzalez, <a href="mailto:drmom92@gmail.com">drmom92@gmail.com</a></i>
9:00 am	<b>Baptism Preparation Classes</b> (Reilly Conference Room) <i>1st Saturday (SPA), 2nd Saturday (ENG), Monthly</i>
10:00 am	<b>Religious Education Classes</b> (St. Theresa School) <i>Visit <a href="http://www.COTLFReligiousEd.org">www.COTLFReligiousEd.org</a> for full calendar</i>



## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

*My Dear Friends,*

*"The loveliest masterpiece of the heart of God is the heart of a mother." --St. Thérèse of Lisieux*

The quote above attributed to our patroness is so fitting when I think about the gift of our mothers. St. Thérèse lost her mother when she was only 4 years old, yet found spiritual motherhood in her older sisters and still had the grace to conceive this magnificent quote. There is nothing like the heart of a mother. We look to the Immaculate Heart of our Blessed Mother and find an ocean of love. Those same loving waters flow through the hearts of our mothers who bore us in their wombs. Words do no justice when trying to describe the love a mother has for her child.

St. Thérèse's mother, St. Zélie Martin, once said of motherhood: "Above all, during the months immediately preceding the birth of her child, the mother should keep close to God, of whom the infant she bears within her is the image, the handiwork, the gift, and the child. She should be for her offspring, as it were, a temple, a sanctuary, an altar, a tabernacle. In short, her life should be, so to speak, the life of a living sacrament, a sacrament in act, burying herself in the bosom of that God who has so truly instituted it and hallowed it, so that there she may draw that energy, that enlightening, that natural and supernatural beauty which He wills, and wills precisely by her means, to impart to the child she bears and to be born of her."

I am always left in awe when I behold mothers. They sacrifice so much for their children. Sometimes sacrificing even their own lives so that their child may live. Just look at the example of St. Gianna Molla, an Italian pediatrician, who in 1962, gave her life so that the child in her womb may live. While she was pregnant, doctors discovered a tumor in her uterus near her baby. Gianna opted to only remove the tumor which would put her life in peril but save her child's life. One week after her baby was born, despite the best efforts of her doctors, St. Gianna entered eternal life. Her husband and her

children were present when she was canonized by St. John Paul II in 2004. When speaking about the sacrifice she was making, St. Gianna said, "Look at the mothers who truly love their children: how many sacrifices they make for them. They are ready for everything, even to give their own blood so that their babies grow up good, healthy, and strong."

On this day, my heart also turns to mothers who have lost children: be it during pregnancy, infancy, or even as adults. No mother should have to bury their child. Yet, we accompany so many mothers who have had to go through the sorrows that our Blessed Mother did when she witnessed her son die. Mary's heart was filled with the hope of the resurrection. Mother's Day can be a difficult day for mothers who have lost children. Remember them in your prayers this day.

We also remember our mothers who have been called to the house of the Father. We ask that our Provident and Loving God reward our mothers in heaven for their sacrifices here on earth.

How beautiful is the heart of the mother! On this day, and every day, we thank God for this masterpiece born from his own heart. I look around our church every Sunday and see so many mothers holding their babies, see strollers filling up our side aisles, and hear the cries of their babies and I cannot help but thank God for those little lives that makes our church come alive during Mass. All because of the gift of our mothers who brought these little ones, these precious gifts, these tiny members of the Body of Christ, into our world. Thank you, moms! Enjoy your day, and may Mother Mary guide you and intercede for you as you embrace this heroic vocation.

Happy Mother's Day!

God bless you all,



## DEL ESCRITORIO DEL PARROCO

*Mis Queridos Amigos,*

*"La obra maestra más hermosa del corazón de Dios es el corazón de una madre." --Santa Teresa de Lisieux*

La cita anterior atribuida a nuestra patrona es muy apropiada cuando pienso en el don de nuestras madres. Santa Teresa perdió a su madre cuando tenía solo 4 años, pero encontró la maternidad espiritual en sus hermanas mayores y todavía tuvo la gracia de concebir esta magnífica cita. No hay nada como el corazón de una madre. Miramos al Inmaculado Corazón de nuestra Santísima Madre y encontramos un océano de amor. Esas mismas aguas amorosas fluyen a través de los corazones de nuestras madres que nos dieron a luz en sus vientres. Las palabras no hacen justicia cuando se trata de describir el amor que una madre tiene por su hijo.

La madre de Santa Teresa, Santa Celia Martin, dijo una vez de la maternidad: "Sobre todo, durante los meses inmediatamente anteriores al nacimiento de su hijo, la madre debe mantenerse cerca de Dios, de quien el niño que lleva dentro es la imagen, la obra, el don y el niño. Ella debería ser para su descendencia, por así decirlo, un templo, un santuario, un altar, un tabernáculo. En resumen, su vida debe ser, por así decirlo, la vida de un sacramento vivo, un sacramento en acto, enterrándose en el seno de ese Dios que tan verdaderamente lo instituyó y lo santificó, para que allí pueda atraer esa energía, esa iluminación, esa belleza natural y sobrenatural que Él quiere, y quiere precisamente por sus medios, para impartir al hijo que tiene y nacer de ella".

Siempre me quedo asombrada cuando contemplo a las madres. Sacrifican mucho por sus hijos. A veces sacrificando incluso sus propias vidas para que su hijo pueda vivir. Basta con mirar el ejemplo de Santa Gianna Molla, una pediatra italiana, que en 1962, dio su vida para que el niño en su vientre pueda vivir. Mientras estaba embarazada, los médicos descubrieron un tumor en su útero cerca de su bebé. Gianna optó por extirpar solo el tumor, lo que pondría su vida en peligro pero salvaría la vida de su hijo. Una semana después de que naciera su bebé, a pesar de los mejores esfuerzos de sus médicos, Santa Gianna entró en la

vida eterna. Su esposo y sus hijos estuvieron presentes cuando fue canonizada por San Juan Pablo II en 2004. Al hablar sobre el sacrificio que estaba haciendo, Santa Gianna dijo: "Miren a las madres que realmente aman a sus hijos: cuántos sacrificios hacen por ellos. Están listos para todo, incluso para dar su propia sangre para que sus bebés crezcan bien, sanos y fuertes".

En este día, mi corazón también se gira hacia las madres que han perdido hijos: ya sea durante el embarazo, la infancia o incluso como adultos. Ninguna madre debería tener que enterrar a su hijo. Sin embargo, acompañamos a tantas madres que han tenido que pasar por los dolores que nuestra Santísima Madre hizo cuando vio morir a su hijo. El corazón de María estaba lleno de la esperanza de la resurrección. El Día de la Madre puede ser un día difícil para las madres que han perdido hijos. Recuérdales en sus oraciones este día.

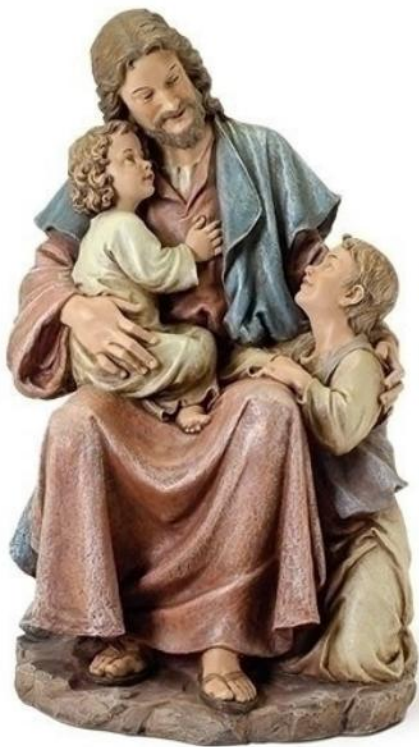
También recordamos a nuestras madres que han sido llamadas a la casa del Padre. Pedimos que nuestro Dios Providente y Amoroso recompense a nuestras madres en el cielo por sus sacrificios aquí en la tierra.

¡Qué hermoso es el corazón de la madre! En este día, y todos los días, damos gracias a Dios por esta obra maestra nacida de su propio corazón. Miro alrededor de nuestra iglesia todos los domingos y veo a tantas madres sosteniendo a sus bebés, veo cochecitos llenando nuestros pasillos laterales y escucho los gritos de sus bebés y no puedo evitar agradecer a Dios por esas pequeñas vidas que hacen que nuestra iglesia cobre vida durante la misa. Todo por el regalo de nuestras madres que trajeron a estos pequeños, estos preciosos regalos, estos pequeños miembros del Cuerpo de Cristo, a nuestro mundo. ¡Gracias, mamás! Disfruta de tu día, y que la Madre María te guíe e interceda por ti mientras abrazas esta vocación heroica.

¡Feliz Día de la Madre!

*Dios los bendiga,*





## ***YOU'RE DOING GREAT, MOMS! HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!***

### *To all parents of young children:*

- † Relax! God put the wiggle in children, so don't feel you have to suppress it in God's house. All are welcome here at Little Flower!
- † Don't be afraid to sit toward the front where it is easier to see and hear.
- † Quietly explain the parts of the Mass to your children. They'll learn quickly.
- † Sing the hymns, pray, and voice the Mass responses out loud. Have the kids sit, kneel and stand together with you, too. Children best learn liturgical behavior by copying you.
- † If you need to step out of Mass with your child to calm them down or just to take a walk, feel free to do so, but please come back! As Jesus said: "Let the children come to me."
- † Remember that the way we welcome children in church directly affects the way they respond to the Church, to God, to Christ and to one another. Let them know that they are always at home in this house of worship.

### *To the members of the parish:*

- † A smile of encouragement is always welcome to parents with small, active children. The presence of children is a gift to the Church and to our parish. They give us, "a future full of people."

## ***Mother's Day Novena Beginning May 14th***

As is our annual tradition here at COTLF, beginning on Mother's Day, Sunday, May 14th and continuing for the 8 days following, we will be celebrating a special Novena of Masses in honor and remembrance of all mothers.

Parishioners who receive physical envelopes should have received a special Mother's Day Novena Envelope where they can add the names of all mothers they wish to pray for during the Novena.

A special fund has also been created on our Online Giving platform where you can add a novena donation and a note with the names you wish to add to the Novena. All envelopes and notes received will be placed near the tabernacle in the church for the duration of the Novena, ending May 22nd.



## ***AHG Mother's Day Roses Fundraiser This Weekend***

This weekend, after all Sunday morning Masses, our local Troop 1001 of American Heritage Girls will be hosting their first fundraiser by selling roses to help us celebrate Mother's Day.

Please support our girls and the great work of American Heritage Girls by purchasing roses for mom, \$2 per rose or a dozen roses for \$20!

AHG Troop 1001 meets in the STS Cafeteria on the 2nd and 4th Friday each month and is open to all girls ages 5 and up.

*To learn more about American Heritage Girls, please visit [www.americanheritagegirls.org](http://www.americanheritagegirls.org)  
For details about our local Troop, please contact Holly Gomez at [holly@gomezmiami.com](mailto:holly@gomezmiami.com)*

## ***JOIN US FOR A COMMUNITY BABY SHOWER!***

Saturday, April 29th through Tuesday, May 30, 2023.

The COTLF Respect Life Ministry will place large boxes for collection of items in the vestibule of the Church. All donations will help support the invaluable work of the South Dade Pregnancy Center. Mothers and Babies are looking for:

- Diapers
- Baby Formula
- Wipes
- Body wash and Lotions
- Diaper Bags
- Baby Clothes

Thank you for your generosity and support!





## RELIGIOUS ED 2023-2024 REGISTRATION

Whether your kids are just starting to learn about our Catholic faith as a Kindergartner, preparing to celebrate the sacraments of Reconciliation, First Communion or Confirmation, or continuing to grow in knowledge and love of the Lord through ongoing faith formation classes, the parish Religious Ed program is here to help! The Parish Religious Ed classes primarily help to fill the gap in Catholic religious education that is encountered by families whose children attend public, charter, or private, non-Catholic schools.

The Parish Religious Ed program will soon be opening registration for the 2023-2024 Catechetical year!

Re-Registration for current RE students is now open.

Open registration for new students and families will begin on **Monday, May 22nd**.

### CLASS SCHEDULE CHANGE:

2023-2024 classes will be held on **Wednesdays only**, from September 13th, 2023 through May 10th, 2024.

Students in Kinder through 6th Grade will have weekly classes from **4:00p-5:15p**  
Confirmation Prep (7th Grade and up) classes will take place weekly from **6:30p-7:45p**

The Religious Education Program offers the following Catechetical/Faith Formation classes:

- + Ongoing religious education for students in all grade levels beginning in Kinder
- + Sacramental Preparation for Baptism of children ages 7 to 16
- + Sacramental Preparation for Reconciliation and Eucharist
- + Sacramental Preparation for the Conferral of Confirmation

To learn more, visit [www.COTLFReligiousEd.org](http://www.COTLFReligiousEd.org) or contact the Parish Office:

Jorge Santibáñez, DRE - [JSantibanez@cotlf.org](mailto:JSantibanez@cotlf.org) or 305-446-9950, Ext 307  
Sofia Arrabal, Rel.Ed. Office Assistant - [SArrabal@cotlf.org](mailto:SArrabal@cotlf.org) or Ext. 316



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## STS FISHING TOURNAMENT & DOCK PARTY

Join us at the 21st Annual St. Theresa School Fishing Tournament and Dock Party on Saturday, May 20th, 2023 at Shake-a-Leg in Coconut Grove. It's an entire day dedicated to fishing, food, and family – all while raising funds for our beloved St. Theresa School. The dock party is open to the entire STS family and parish community! Watch all the boats come in, enjoy the excitement of the weigh-in, and see who wins the tournament!

Visit [www.stscg.org/fishing](http://www.stscg.org/fishing) for more details!

## NEXT PARISH HEALING MASS

On Wednesday, May 24<sup>th</sup>, we will celebrate a special Healing Mass at 7:00pm in the church.

All those in need of special healing graces are invited to attend and participate. Several priests will be available at the conclusion of the Mass to impart the Anointing of the Sick.

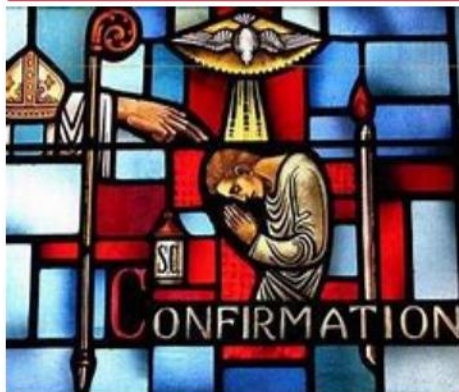


## ADULT SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION - OCTA/RCIA

Have you been inspired by the many sacramental celebrations this Easter season? COTLF offers adults an opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about our faith through the Order of Christian Initiation for Adults. The program serves:

- † Unbaptized adults who wish to become Catholics.
- † Those baptized in another Christian Church who are seeking full communion with the Roman Catholic Church through the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist.
- † Catholic adults who were baptized Roman Catholic as infants and need to complete their Sacraments of Eucharist and/or Confirmation.

The 2023-2024 Order of Christian Initiation of Adults ("OCIA/RCIA") program will begin meeting again in September, but those who are interested in learning more may register now by visiting our Parish Website at [www.cotlf.org/RCIA](http://www.cotlf.org/RCIA) or by contacting Deacon Roberto Fleitas at [RFleitas@cotlf.org](mailto:RFleitas@cotlf.org)



## SPRING CONFIRMATION MASS

This Wednesday, May 17th, Archbishop Thomas Wenski will be coming to COTLF to confer the Sacrament of Confirmation upon our Candidates in the Parish Religious Education Program, those from our RCIA, and others joining us from other parishes. We are blessed to have 70 total candidates in this year's Spring Confirmation and ask your prayers for each of them and their sponsors in these final days of their sacramental preparation.







## ***SATURDAY CONFESSIONS IN THE PARISH OFFICE***

*On Saturday morning, May 20th, Confessions will be taking place from 8:30am to 10:00am in the Parish Office Center as the church is prepared for the celebration of First Communion Masses.*

## ***COTLF TRAVELING VOCATIONS CHALICE***

Pray for Vocations in a special way through the Vocations Chalice program.

- Sign Up to be added as a Vocation Chalice family
  - Take the Chalice home for a week
  - Put it in a place of honor in your home
- Pray for Vocations! (Prayers are included to help you out.)
  - Talk about Vocations with your family
- Return to Mass the following week to pass the Chalice on to the next family

Contact Fr. Andrew to learn more or to be added to the schedule!



## ***ARCHDIOCESE OF MIAMI PRIESTLY ORDINATIONS***

With praise and thanksgiving to Almighty God, the Archdiocese of Miami and the Office of Vocations joyfully announces the Priestly Ordinations of Saul Holanda Martins Araujo, Rikinson Bantou, Sebastian Grisales Bedoya, Gustavo Andres Santos Higuera, and Andrew Joseph Vitrano-Farinato.

Please pray for our 5 new Archdiocesan priests who were ordained on Saturday morning, May 13th, and continue praying for vocations to the diaconate, priesthood and religious life.

To learn more about ADOM Vocations, visit [www.miamiarch.org/vocations](http://www.miamiarch.org/vocations)

## ***LISTEN TO MMH, THE COTLF PARISH PODCAST!***

Join Fr Manny and Jorge Santibáñez every Monday Morning as they dive deeper into the readings and preaching of the previous Sunday, and then stick around as they talk sports and life on the official COTLF Parish Podcast, *Monday Morning Homilist*.

Listen on all major podcast services including Apple Podcasts, Spotify, Amazon Music, and Pandora. You can also find the Podcast on the MyParish App.

*Check your favorite Podcast service for new episodes around 11am every Monday!*



## ***Music for the 5:30pm Sunday Mass with the Call***

Visit [www.cotlf.org/mass](http://www.cotlf.org/mass) or scan the QR code

## ***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](http://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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Let all the  
earth cry out  
to God with  
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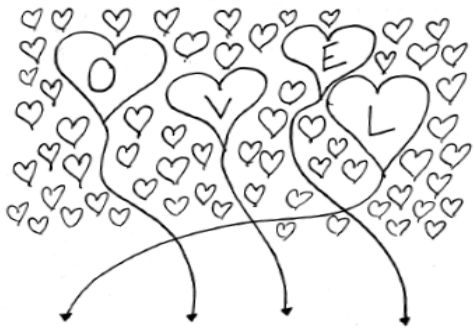
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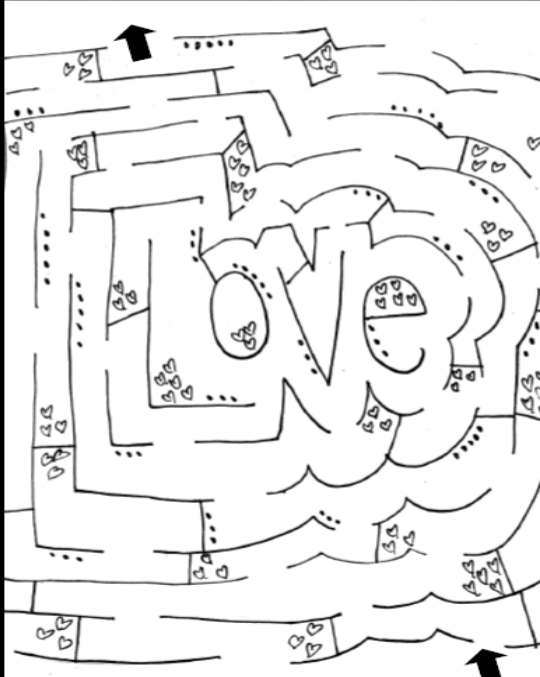
It is still the Easter season.  
What can you do today to  
celebrate Easter?






Use this box to  
draw a picture  
of LOVE.  
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show people  
that you  
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Jesus said, "Whoever loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and reveal myself to him."





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