



Church of the LITTLE FLOWER

The
Light

September 10th, 2023

XXIII SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

XXIII DOMINGO EN EL
TIEMPO ORDINARIO

*Where two or three are
gathered together in my
name ...*



*... there am I in the
midst of them."
-MT 18:20*

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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

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Coral Gables, FL 33134

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School Office Hours

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

Address

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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.

- † Federika Coll Monasterio
- † Galilea Rodrigani
- † Aleah Milo
- † Alice Milo



Congratulations and God's blessings to our newly married couples.

Weddings will resume in September, following the completion of the Roof Replacement project.



Rest in Peace.
We pray for our recently deceased.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

- Arrangements must be made with the Parish Office at least two (2) months in advance. Visit cotlf.org/baptism for more information.
- Arreglos de bautizos se deben hacer en la oficina por lo menos con dos (2) meses de anticipación. Visitar cotlf.org/baptism para mas información.

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.

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To sign up for COTLF Parish Alerts via Evangelus!

Visit eva.us/COTLF or text COTLF to 55321

Follow the prompts to create or update your profile and select email and/or text messages as your preferred form of contact.



MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Sunday, September 10th

XXIII SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00 pm Sat	+ Jose Revuelta
7:30 am	+ Rosa Rodriguez
9:00 am	Nicholas J. Cirillo
10:30 am	Missa Pro Populo - For All Members of Our Parish Family
12:30 pm	+ Eva Blanco y Rodobaldo Lorenzo
5:30 pm	+ Eleodoro Zayas

Monday, September 11th

Monday of Week XXIII in Ordinary Time

6:15 am	+ Adela Rodriguez
8:00 am	For All Victims of 9/11
5:30 pm	Misa Comunitaria

Tuesday, September 12th

Tuesday of Week XXIII in Ordinary Time / Memorial of the Most Holy Name of Mary

6:15 am	Lourdes Budner's Healing
8:00 am	+ Orestes Mendez
5:30 pm	Misa Comunitaria

Wednesday, September 13th

Memorial of St. John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

6:15 am	Maria Elenita Insigne's Healing
8:00 am	Luis Cuza's Birthday
5:30 pm	Misa Comunitaria

Thursday, September 14th

Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

6:15 am	+ Melissa Machado
8:00 am	+ Nicholas J. Cirillo
5:30 pm	Misa Comunitaria

Friday, September 15th

Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows

6:15 am	Linda Collado's Healing
8:00 am	Marcelo Chialastri's Birthday
5:30 pm	Misa Comunitaria

Saturday, September 16th

Memorial of Sts. Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyr

8:00 am	+ Celida Lezcano
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Sunday, September 17th

XXIV SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00 pm Sat	+ Raul Lopez
7:30 am	For All Called to Serve as Catechists
9:00 am	+ Alejandro Danger
10:30 am	Missa Pro Populo - For All Members of Our Parish Family
12:30 pm	+ Miguel Cuevas
5:30 pm	For All Students Who Will Receive Sacraments This Year

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 10TH, 2023

Sunday	Ez 33:7-9; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; Rom 13:8-10; Mt 18:15-20
Monday	Col 1:24-2:3; Ps 62:6-7, 9; Lk 6:6-11
Tuesday	Col 2:6-15; Ps 145:1b-2, 8-9, 10-11; Lk 6:12-19
Wednesday	Col 3:1-11, Ps 145:2-3, 10-11, 12-13ab; Lk 6:20-26
Thursday	Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17
Friday	1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14; Ps 16:1b-2a & 5, 7-8, 11; Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35
Saturday	1 Tm 1:15-17; Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5 & 6-7; Lk 6:43-49
Sunday	Sir 27:30 - 28:7; Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12; Rom 14:7-9; Mt 18:21-35

WEEKLY EVENTS @ COTLF

SUNDAYS

1:30 pm	Homeless Ministry Service Days <i>Date Varies Monthly</i> — homelessministrycotlf@gmail.com
6:30 pm	COTLF Youth Group <i>Starts on Sunday, August 20th; Izzy Rennella, IRennella@cotlf.org</i>

MONDAYS

10:00 am	Seekers Bible Study (Morras Conference Room AND Via Zoom) <i>Every other Monday, Mercy Gonzalez, drmom92@gmail.com</i>
7:00 pm	Grupo Carismatico: Corazon de Jesus (Cafeteria) Maru de Castro, leo12mariposa@gmail.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 — <i>Resumes Sept 18th</i>
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	OCIA Classes (Cafeteria) <i>Classes begin on September 26th</i>
7:00 pm	Legion of Mary (Legion of Mary House) Maria Lopez, 786-247-3872
7:30 pm	Talleres — Curso Matrimonial (Morras Conference Room) Eva y Francisco Guia, 305-984-5944 , evaguia11@gmail.com
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>Begins again on September 13th</i>
7:30 pm	Women's Emmaus (Reilly Conference Room) Marifer Ordoñez, mfordonez@earthlink.net
8:00 pm	Communion & Liberation (Chapel Conference Room)

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 Jovenes (Chapel Conference Room) Arminda Baez — 305-927-3191

FRIDAYS

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

SATURDAYS

7:00 am	First Saturday Devotion Rosary (Church) <i>1st Saturday, Monthly; Mercy Gonzalez, drmom92@gmail.com</i>
9:00 am	Baptism Preparation Classes (Reilly Conference Room) <i>1st Saturday (SPA), 2nd Saturday (ENG), Monthly</i>



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

My Dear Friends:

This past Friday we celebrated the Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary which also coincides with the celebration of Our Lady of Charity, who is the co-patroness of the Archdiocese of Miami and patroness of Cuba. Last weekend, our parish was blessed in such a magnificent way when the statue of Our Lady of Charity that resides over the altar in her Shrine ("Ermita") that sits on Biscayne Bay visited our church. The statue rarely leaves the Shrine. Only on her feast day when Mass is being celebrated at a big arena or auditorium, or as was the case last week, when they take her on a pilgrimage outside the Shrine. Our Lady made 13 stops on a tour around Dade County through landmarks and churches. We were indeed blessed when the rector of the Shrine called to ask me if Little Flower could be one of the stops.

Our Carmelite Sisters, our priests, and an enthusiastic group of parishioners waited inside the air-conditioned confines of our church to escape the heat, and almost without warning, the sound of police sirens and honking cars led us out of the church as we saw the beautiful sight of a caravan leading Our Lady down Sevilla and Anastasia Avenue coming from Red Road. The pickup truck that carried her parked directly in front of our church where our brides arrive for their weddings. There was palpable joy in the air as we gazed upon the glorious face of our Blessed Mother. Our Carmelite Sisters serenaded her, we prayed a decade of the rosary, and the rector of the Shrine said a prayer of blessing over our parish, so that Mary may protect all of us with her mantle. We took pictures, prayed for Cuba, sang some more, and before we knew it, she departed to her next stop.

It was indeed an emotional visit. Lots of teary eyes were seen because of what Our Lady of Charity means to so many of our Cuban parishioners and because of what our Blessed Mother means to all of us. St. Thérèse once said: "Do not be afraid of loving the Blessed Virgin too

much. You can never love her enough. And Jesus will be very happy, because the Blessed Virgin is His Mother." That evening of her visit as I prayed over this historic pilgrimage to our church, I could not help but think of the words of St. Elizabeth when Mary visited her, "And how does this happen to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me? (Luke 1:43)" Since I was a child, my family would visit Our Lady at her seaside Shrine, but to have her here on our grounds in front of our majestic church, it made so many of us cry. The rector reminded us that upon receiving the Word made flesh in her womb, Mary went in haste to visit her cousin Elizabeth, and now she was visiting us to bring us the joy of her Son, to bring us his peace. How blessed are we as a parish that our Blessed Mother came to visit us?

And the last words the rector imparted to us? The words of Mary herself telling us over and over again: "Do whatever He tells you (John 2:5)." She is always pointing us to her Son, pointing us to His Presence in the Blessed Sacrament, and pointing us towards the Mass where we encounter the living Christ. Mary is the Woman of the Eucharist par excellence, and she came to us during this National Eucharistic Revival to renew our love for Jesus who waits for us at the altar. May we always give thanks to Mary for her yes and give thanks to her Son who on the cross gave us so noble a mother and queen! Our Lady of Charity, pray for us!

God bless you all,

Fr. Manny





DEL ESCRITORIO DEL PARROCO

Mis Queridos Amigos:

El viernes pasado celebramos la Fiesta de la Natividad de la Santísima Virgen María que también coincide con la celebración de Nuestra Señora de la Caridad, que es la copatrona de la Arquidiócesis de Miami y patrona de Cuba. El fin de semana pasado, nuestra parroquia fue bendecida de una manera tan magnífica cuando la estatua de Nuestra Señora de la Caridad que reside sobre el altar en su Santuario ("Ermita") que se encuentra en la Bahía de Biscayne visitó nuestra iglesia. La estatua rara vez sale del Santuario. Solo el día de su fiesta, cuando se celebra la misa en una gran arena o auditorio, o como fue el caso la semana pasada, cuando la llevan en peregrinación fuera del Santuario. Nuestra Señora hizo 13 paradas en un recorrido por el condado de Dade a través de monumentos e iglesias. De hecho, fuimos bendecidos cuando el rector del Santuario me llamó para preguntarme si Little Flower podría ser una de las paradas.

Nuestras hermanas carmelitas, nuestros sacerdotes y un entusiasta grupo de feligreses esperaron dentro de los confines con aire acondicionado de nuestra iglesia para escapar del calor, y casi sin previo aviso, el sonido de las sirenas de la policía y los autos que tocaban la bocina nos sacaron de la iglesia cuando vimos la hermosa vista de una caravana que conducía a Nuestra Señora por Sevilla y la avenida Anastasia que venía de Red Road. La camioneta que la transportaba estacionada directamente frente a nuestra iglesia donde llegan nuestras novias para sus bodas. Había una alegría palpable en el aire mientras contemplábamos el rostro glorioso de nuestra Santísima Madre. Nuestras hermanas carmelitas le dieron una serenata, rezamos una década del rosario, y el rector del Santuario dijo de oración de bendición sobre nuestra parroquia para que María pueda protegernos a todos con su manto. Tomamos fotos, oramos por Cuba, cantamos un poco más, y antes de que nos diéramos cuenta, ella partió a su siguiente parada.

De hecho, fue una visita emotiva. Se vieron muchos ojos llorosos por lo que Nuestra Señora de la Caridad significa para muchos de nuestros feligreses

cubanos y por lo que nuestra Santísima Madre significa para todos nosotros. Santa Teresa dijo una vez: "No tengáis miedo de amar demasiado a la Santísima Virgen. Nunca puedes amarla lo suficiente. Y Jesús será muy feliz, porque la Santísima Virgen es su Madre". Esa noche de su visita, mientras oraba por esta peregrinación histórica a nuestra iglesia, no pude evitar pensar en las palabras de Santa Isabel cuando María la visitó: "¿Y cómo me sucede esto, que la madre de mi Señor venga a mí? (Lucas 1:43)" Desde que era niño, mi familia visitaba a Nuestra Señora en su santuario junto al mar, pero tenerla aquí en nuestros terrenos frente a nuestra majestuosa iglesia, hizo llorar a muchos. El rector nos recordó que al recibir el Verbo hecho carne en su seno, María fue apresuradamente a visitar a su prima Isabel, y ahora nos visitaba para traernos la alegría de su Hijo, para traernos su paz. ¿Qué tan bendecidos somos como parroquia que nuestra Santísima Madre haya venido a visitarnos?

¿Y las últimas palabras que nos dio el rector? Las palabras de María misma diciéndonos una y otra vez: "Haced lo que Él os diga (Juan 2:5)". Ella siempre nos señala a su Hijo, nos señala su presencia en el Santísimo Sacramento y nos señala hacia la Misa donde encontramos al Cristo vivo. María es la Mujer de la Eucaristía por excelencia, y vino a nosotros durante este Avivamiento Eucarístico Nacional para renovar nuestro amor por Jesús que nos espera en el altar. ¡Que demos siempre gracias a María por su sí, y demos gracias a su Hijo que en la cruz nos dio una madre y una reina tan noble! ¡Nuestra Señora de la Caridad, ruega por nosotros!

Que Dios los bendiga a todos,



Fr. Manny



RETIRO DE CONVENIO MATRIMONIAL

29 septiembre – 1 de octubre, 2023

¿Sienten que la pandemia ha afectado su matrimonio?
¿Están buscando un fin de semana especial para compartir como pareja, para relajarse y para acercarse a Dios? ¿Un fin de semana para compartir ideas sobre cómo tener un matrimonio más feliz y una familia más armoniosa?

El Retiro de Convenio Matrimonial es un fin de semana de actividades, charlas y ejercicios destinados a fortalecer nuestra relación de pareja.

El retiro provee una oportunidad única para reflexionar sobre dónde estamos, hacia dónde vamos y pasar un buen rato con otras parejas en un ambiente divertido y relajado.

Lugar: Comber Hall • Valor: \$150

Para mayor información contactar a
Mariana Lorenzo • 305-505-8188
Marifer Odoñez • 305-608-3072



Inscríbese en nuestra aplicación digital:



HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

Sunday, August 20

6:30 P.M. at Comber Hall
1251 Palermo Avenue

Follow us on Instagram: @cotlfyg



HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP IS BACK!

Join us every Sunday for Mass at 5:30pm and then head over to Comber Hall at 6:30pm for some food, fellowship and fun!

For more information about the youth group and how to get involved, contact Izzy Rennella at IRennella@cotlf.org or follow the YG Instagram @COTLFYG

WALKING WITH PURPOSE WOMEN'S GROUP

Walking with Purpose is a program that meets women right where they are, hands them a cup of coffee, and transforms their hearts. We are thrilled to announce that we will offer two Bible studies this season. Trust us. This may be your best YES ever.

- **Opening Your Heart**, our foundational study, is perfect for a woman new to WWP (with or without Bible study experience). We invite you to be amazed at how Scripture applies to your everyday life.
- **Keeping in Balance**, a WWP community favorite, is for women who have already experienced Opening Your Heart. Come on a journey through Old and New Testament wisdom as we discover Scripture's relevance to our current daily challenges.



STS Bible Studies Starting Soon!
Both study groups will meet Thursday mornings
Starts OCTOBER 5, 2023
Location: Comber Hall | Time: 7:45 am
Questions? STSWalkingWithPurpose@gmail.com

Signup Today:
<http://tinyurl.com/STSWWP>



walking with purpose

INTRODUCING "THAT MAN IS YOU!"

TMIY is an interactive men's program combining the best research from science with the teachings of the Catholic faith and the wisdom of the saints to develop the vision of man fully alive. By honestly addressing the pressures and temptations that men face in our modern culture, *That Man is You!* Seeks to form men who will be capable of transforming homes and society.

Discover:

- † The Scriptural vision of man and the overwhelming scientific evidence that supports this vision.
- † The four leadership roles that have been entrusted to men and the five personal traits necessary for fulfilling these leadership roles.
- † How and why Satan always attacks the union of man and woman.
- † The three main obstacles to living as authentic men and the means for overcoming them.
- † The wonderful renewal God is offering to men and their families through the Church.

COTLF's TMIY! Group will meet on Tuesday mornings, at 7:45am in Comber Hall, starting on September 19th! Scan the QR code to sign up now or contact Rob Lasa for more information, 305-934-7840.



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.

2023-2024 CLASS SCHEDULE:

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 or contact the Parish Office:

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



ADULT SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION - OCIA/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 meets on Tuesday evenings. Those who are interested in learning more may register now by visiting our Parish Website at www.cotlf.org/RCIA or by contacting Deacon Roberto Fleitas at RFleitas@cotlf.org

En busca de un Tesoro



TALLERES DE ORACIÓN Y VIDA
Una Nueva Evangelización

- ✓ ¿Deseas Aumentar tu relación con Dios?
- ✓ ¿Quieres Liberarte de las Angustias, miedos, ansiedades?
- ✓ ¿Quieres dar sentido a tu Labor Apostólica?
- ✓ ¿Quieres descubrir el sentido de la vida?

**¡VEN A VIVIR UN TALLER DE ORACIÓN Y VIDA DE JÓVENES!
¡Aprenderás a Orar para aprender a Vivir!**

INFORMACIÓN: ARMINDA (Guía de talleres) 305-927-31.91
(Entre 20 a 30 Años)

Fecha de Apertura: 09/07/2023
Hora: 7:30pm - 9:15pm
Duración: 10 Sesiones
(1 por Semana de 1:45 horas)

Lugar: Little Flower Catholic Church
(Salon Frente al Santísimo)
2711 Indian Mound Trail, Coral Gables
33134

¡TE ESPERAMOS, TE VA A ENCANTAR!

EJERCICIOS ESPIRITUALES DE SAN IGNACIO

Los Ejercicios Espirituales de San Ignacio de Loyola son una secuencia ordenada de meditaciones y contemplaciones -ejercicios- que surgen de la profunda experiencia espiritual que el santo vive a partir de su conversión; su objetivo es ayudar al que se ejercita en ellos a descubrir cuál es la voluntad de Dios para su vida. Los Ejercicios se remontan al Cuaderno de notas en el que Ignacio describe sus experiencias espirituales durante su visita a la ciudad de Manresa, donde—como lo escribe en su Autobiografía - "le trataba Dios de la misma manera que trata un maestro de escuela a un niño, enseñándole."

Los Ejercicios Espirituales de San Ignacio se ofrecerán aquí en la parroquia comenzando el lunes, 18 de septiembre a las 7:30pm en la oficina parroquial, y continuando cada lunes hasta el Abril del 2024 (30 sesiones).

Para mayor información, favor de contactar a Marcia Iglesias, marcia@amprex.net



HOMELESS MINISTRY COLLECTION DRIVE

During the month of September we will be collecting the following items that will be delivered directly to the Missionaries of Charity shelter in Miami's inner city:

-Category 1, Food: Canned & Dry Non-Perishable Foods (ideally large canned items from Gordon Food Service that could be used to stock up the Missionaries of Charity's kitchen pantry. They feed hundreds of homeless a day through their kitchen located in the shelter). Desired donations include large cans of tomato sauces, pastas, rice bags, green beans, corn and other canned vegetables.

Also they can use iced tea powder, small sugar packets and instant coffee. We will also like to collect sliced bread, peanut butter and jelly for sandwiches as well as cases of bottled water.

-Category 2, Women's Hygiene & Toiletry Items: women's deodorant, soap bars, shampoo, shaving cream, cleansing wipes, disposable razors, body lotions, combs/hair brushes, toothpaste and toothbrushes. (Please make sure they are not travel sized items)

-Category 3, Cleaning Supplies: kitchen dish soap, degreaser, clorox/bleach, disinfectant spray and hand sanitizer.

All items can be dropped off ONLY during the following weekend masses at the Homeless Ministry Collection Area inside the church:

Saturday, September 16, 2023 (Evening Mass) • Sunday, September 17, 2023 (All Sunday Masses)

Save the Date for our Next Volunteer Service Day

Come volunteer with us on Sunday, September 24th, 2023 as we head to the Missionaries of Charity shelter to bring all items that were collected during this month's donation drive and provide a helping hand with various tasks around the facility including the feeding of hundreds of homeless men and women. We will have two shifts of volunteers for that day, space is very limited. One shift will be from 8am-10am and a second shift from 10am-12pm. Children must be 12 years and older to participate and accompanied by a parent/legal guardian at all times. Community service hours will be provided to students. If you are interested in attending, please email: homelessministrycotlf@gmail.com. Spots will be provided on a first come, first serve basis.

Follow us on Instagram: @COTLFHomelessMinistry

Scan the QR Code to Join our E-mail List



September 11th Ground Zero Prayer

It has been 22 years since the tragic events of September 11, 2001, but the wounds of that morning still feel new as we contemplate the loss of life that occurred that day. May we always remember the souls lost and all the men and women in uniform who gave their lives since then to protect our country. Here below is the prayer Pope Benedict XVI prayed when he visited Ground Zero in New York in April 2008:

O God of love, compassion, and healing,
look on us, people of many different faiths
and traditions,
who gather today at this site,
the scene of incredible violence and pain.
We ask you in your goodness
to give eternal light and peace
to all who died here—
the heroic first-responders:
our fire fighters, police officers,
emergency service workers, and
Port Authority personnel,
along with all the innocent men and women
who were victims of this tragedy
simply because their work or service
brought them here on September 11, 2001.
We ask you, in your compassion
to bring healing to those
who, because of their presence here that day,
suffer from injuries and illness.
Heal, too, the pain of still-grieving families
and all who lost loved ones in this tragedy.
Give them strength to continue their lives
with courage and hope.

We are mindful as well
of those who suffered death, injury, and loss
on the same day at the Pentagon and in
Shanksville, Pennsylvania.
Our hearts are one with theirs
as our prayer embraces their pain and suffering.
God of peace, bring your peace to our violent world:
peace in the hearts of all men and women
and peace among the nations of the earth.
Turn to your way of love
those whose hearts and minds
are consumed with hatred.
God of understanding,
overwhelmed by the magnitude of this tragedy,
we seek your light and guidance
as we confront such terrible events.
Grant that those whose lives were spared
may live so that the lives lost here
may not have been lost in vain.
Comfort and console us,
strengthen us in hope,
and give us the wisdom and courage
to work tirelessly for a world
where true peace and love reign
among nations and in the hearts of all.



- Pope Benedict XVI

*Prayer at Ground Zero,
New York,
20 April 2008*

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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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