



Church of the LITTLE FLOWER



The
Light

January 7th, 2024

*THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD
LA EPIFANIA DEL SEÑOR*



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 |
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| 6:15 am | English |
| 8:00 am | English |
| 5:30 pm | Español |

Saturday

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

Sunday

| Time | Language |
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| 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

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School Office Hours

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

Address

2701 Indian Mound Trail
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SACRED STEPS | SACRAMENTAL CELEBRATIONS AT COTLF



Welcome to the Catholic Church!
Congratulations to our newly Baptized.

- † Imogen Claire Gregoire-Brown
- † Mattia Trasatti Biasini
- † Daniella Grace Villagomez
- † Chloe Renee Nitzberg
- † Lily Rose Connell



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

- † Giovanni Sanchez & Lorena Rivera
- † Paul Gursky & Emma Kayal
- † Alvaro Alvarez & Patricia Estrada



Rest in Peace.
We pray for our recently deceased.

- † Digna Blanco
- † Jorge Costa
- † Eugene Latour-Loza

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.

SIGNS OF OUR STEWARDSHIP

DECEMBER 17TH

Attendance: 2,052

In-Church Collection: \$12,490

Online Giving Offertory: \$12,895

Drop-off/Mail-in Offering: \$1,205

Children's Collection: \$1,210

Devotional Candles: \$1,539

Poor Box/Charities*: \$1,401

* Combined in-person and online

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

Grand Total: \$30,740

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

WEEKLY EVENTS @ COTLF

Sunday, January 7th

SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

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| 5:00 pm Sat | Katy Puig |
| 7:30 am | Francisco Recio |
| 9:00 am | + Antero Macias |
| 10:30 am | Missa Pro Populo - For All Members of Our Parish Family |
| 12:30 pm | + Maria de Jesus Morales |
| 5:30 pm | + Gilberto Varela |

Monday, January 8th

Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

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| 6:15 am | + Maria Regina Cuenca |
| 8:00 am | + Clara Tapia |
| 5:30 pm | Misa Comunitaria |

Tuesday, January 9th

Tuesday of Week I of Ordinary Time

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| 6:15 am | Gilda Placencia |
| 8:00 am | Intentions of the Del Calvo Family |
| 5:30 pm | Misa Comunitaria |

Wednesday, January 10th

Wednesday of Week I of Ordinary Time

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| 6:15 am | Intentions of the Aguilar Family |
| 8:00 am | Intentions of Irma Perez and Family |
| 5:30 pm | Misa Comunitaria |

Thursday, January 11th

Thursday of Week I of Ordinary Time

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| 6:15 am | + Deceased Members of the Monteagudo-Espino Family |
| 8:00 am | + Angela Maritza Hernandez |
| 5:30 pm | Misa Comunitaria |

Friday, January 12th

Friday of Week I of Ordinary Time

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| 6:15 am | Yamila Chialastri's Birthday |
| 8:00 am | + Msgr. Thomas Comber |
| 5:30 pm | Misa Comunitaria |

Saturday, January 13th

Saturday of Week I in Ordinary Time / Memorial of St. Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

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| 8:00 am | For the Intentions of the Seekers Bible Study Group |
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Sunday, January 14th

II SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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| 5:00 pm Sat | + Cristina Parlade |
| 7:30 am | John Adams |
| 9:00 am | + Aristides Rivera |
| 10:30 am | Missa Pro Populo - For All Members of Our Parish Family |
| 12:30 pm | + Alberto Concha Lafaurie |
| 5:30 pm | Lilian E. Cabrera |

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 7TH

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| Sunday | Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12 |
| Monday | Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 55:1-11 or Acts 10:34-38 or 1 Jn 5:1-9; Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 Mk 1:7-11 |
| Tuesday | 1 Sm 1:9-20; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd; Mk 1:21-28 |
| Wednesday | 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20; PS 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10; Mk 1:29-39 |
| Thursday | 1 Sm 4:1-11; Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25; Mk 1:40-45 |
| Friday | 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a; Ps 89:16-17, 18-19; Mk 2:1-12 |
| Saturday | 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1; Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Mk 2:13-17 |
| Sunday | 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10; 1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20; Jn 1:35-42 |

SUNDAYS

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| 1:30 pm | Homeless Ministry Service Days <i>Date Varies Monthly</i> — homelessministrycotlf@gmail.com |
| 6:30 pm | COTLF Youth Group Izzy Rennella, IRennella@cotlf.org |

MONDAYS

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| 10:00 am | Seekers Bible Study (Morras Conference Room AND Via Zoom) <i>Every other Monday</i> , Mercy Gonzalez, drmom92@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) Juan Guillermo Garcia, jgarcia@msn.com , 786-474-0758 |

TUESDAYS

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| 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

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| 4p & 6:30p | Religious Education Classes (St. Theresa School) www.cotlfreligioused.org |
| 7:30 pm | Women's Emmaus (Reilly Conference Room) Marifer Ordoñez, mfordonez@earthlink.net |
| 8:00 pm | Communion & Liberation (Chapel Conference Room) |
| 8:00 pm | Grupo Carismatico: Corazon de Jesus (Cafeteria) Maru de Castro, leo12mariposa@gmail.com |

THURSDAYS

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

FRIDAYS

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| 10:00 am | Prayer Shawl Ministry (Morras Conference Room) <i>3rd Fridays, Monthly</i> , Katy Dunn, 305-443-5947 |
| 6:00 pm | American Heritage Girls (Cafeteria) <i>2nd and 4th Fridays, Monthly</i> , Holly Gomez |
| 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

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| 7:00 am | First Saturday Devotion Rosary (Church) <i>1st Saturday, Monthly</i> , Mercy Gonzalez, drmom92@gmail.com |
| 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:

As we gather this weekend to celebrate the Epiphany of the Lord, as a Church we are still contemplating the mystery of the Incarnation of the Son of God. Over the last two weeks, so many parishioners have sat in the first pews of the church to take in the splendor of Christmas by gazing at our beautifully decorated altar and to look upon the face of the new statue of the Christ Child nestled among all the poinsettias.

During a homily last week, I commented on how we acquired this splendid figure of our Lord and how his face called out to me. This is a good lesson of being surprised by God when you least expect it. Last summer while in Madrid, I joined Deacon Robert Fleitas and his wife Nancy for a morning of sightseeing followed by lunch. Deacon had just finished his pilgrimage through "El Camino" to Santiago de Compostela, and aside from lunch, we were going into a religious store to buy some much needed purificators for our sacristy that we use for the chalices that hold the Precious Blood of Our Lord. We walked into store after store and could not find what we needed, but in one store, we found something that we were not expecting. Near the entrance there was display of statues of the Child Jesus in all shapes and sizes, but there was one that caught the attention of both Deacon and me. The face of our Lord was radiant. It was peaceful. It drew us into the mystery of the Incarnation: God becoming a tiny child. Immediately I told Deacon, "This belongs at the foot of our altar for Christmas." So many churches have a statue of the Divine Child in their sanctuaries, why shouldn't ours? There's a beautiful one at the foot of Bernini's altar in St. Peter's Basilica that the Pope venerates every Christmas, but Fr. Andrew, while watching the Vatican's Midnight Mass, affirmed that the one that we acquired was "far more beautiful!"

Obviously, this is all subjective, but what sacred art does is draw us closer to the divine mystery that the artist is trying to capture. We are blessed that sacred art surrounds us constantly in this majestic church, and this latest addition has been adored by so many faithful since Christmas Eve. Actually, I need to go

back two days before Christmas Eve to talk about the Child's debut. On the last day of school before Christmas Break, the school children gathered for Mass, and I began to ask them during the homily how they would describe a baby to illustrate to the children how God humbled himself by becoming human. One of the words the children used to describe babies was the word delicate. It was perfect! God became a delicate child who was dependent on his parents and was fragile just like this new statue. Even though I had not planned this, I asked one of the altar servers to the sacristy to get the box that held the Christ Child. As I was explaining further the significance of the word delicate, I took out the statue from the box, and you could hear so many of the children in our church let out an audible gasp! They were all mesmerized by this tiny ceramic figure. The same thing happened when I walked out of the sacristy for the Children's Christmas Eve Mass and passed by the choir loft where many of our 2nd and 3rd graders were preparing to sing. When they saw the Child in my arms, some of them could be heard saying, "It's Baby Jesus!"

It is that same child-like wonder that we must bring to the Christmas mysteries. It was sheer wonder that brought the Magi today to come and adore the Lord. They too must have been surprised when they found the Newborn King lying in a poor manger. But this is how God works: he surprises us constantly as he seeks to draw us into his divine love.

So as we begin a new year, let God surprise you in the coming months. We may be looking for all the wrong things as we make resolutions. Look at the Divine Child at the foot of our altar. Ask him to make you as simple and as innocent as he is. With that simplicity, we will be able to do great things in his Holy Name in 2024.

I pray that each of you have a Blessed New Year and that our parish may continue to emulate the simplicity and love that the Child Jesus continues to share with us this Christmas season.

God bless you all,



DEL ESCRITORIO DEL PARROCO

Mis queridos amigos,

Mientras nos reunimos este fin de semana para celebrar la Epifanía del Señor, como Iglesia todavía estamos contemplando el misterio de la Encarnación del Hijo de Dios. Durante las últimas dos semanas, muchos feligreses se han sentado en los primeros bancos de la iglesia para disfrutar del esplendor de la Navidad contemplando nuestro altar bellamente decorado y para contemplar el rostro de la nueva estatua del Niño Jesús acurrucado entre todas las flores de Pascua.

Durante una homilía la semana pasada, comenté cómo adquirimos esta espléndida figura de nuestro Señor y cómo su rostro me llamó. Esta es una buena lección de ser sorprendido por Dios cuando menos te lo esperas. El verano pasado, mientras estaba en Madrid, me uní al Diácono Robert Fleitas y a su esposa Nancy para una mañana de turismo seguido por un almuerzo. El diácono acababa de terminar su peregrinación por "El Camino" a Santiago de Compostela, y aparte del almuerzo, íbamos a una tienda religiosa a comprar unos purificadores muy necesarios para nuestra sacristía que usamos para los cálices que contienen la Preciosa Sangre de Nuestro Señor. Entramos tienda tras tienda y no pudimos encontrar lo que necesitábamos, pero en una tienda encontramos algo que no esperábamos. Cerca de la entrada había una exhibición de estatuas del Niño Jesús en todas las formas y tamaños, pero hubo una que llamó la atención tanto del Diácono como a mí. El rostro de nuestro Señor estaba radiante. Era pacífico. Nos llevó al misterio de la Encarnación: Dios haciéndose niño pequeño. Inmediatamente le dije al Diácono: "Esto pertenece a los pies de nuestro altar para Navidad". Tantas iglesias tienen una estatua del Divino Niño en sus santuarios, ¿por qué no debería tener la nuestra? Hay uno hermoso a los pies del altar de Bernini en la Basílica de San Pedro que el Papa venera cada Navidad, pero el padre Andrés, mientras veía la Misa del Gallo del Vaticano, afirmó que la que adquirimos era "mucho más hermosa".

Obviamente, todo esto es subjetivo, pero lo que hace el arte sacro es acercarnos al misterio divino que el artista está tratando de capturar. Tenemos la bendición de que el arte sagrado que nos rodee constantemente en esta majestuosa iglesia, y esta última adición ha sido adorado por tantos fieles desde la víspera de Navidad. De hecho, tengo que volver dos días antes de la víspera de Navidad para hablar del debut del Niño. El último día

de clases antes de las vacaciones de Navidad, los niños de la escuela se reunieron para la misa, y comencé a preguntarles durante la homilía cómo describirían a un bebé para ilustrarle a los niños cómo Dios se humilló a sí mismo al convertirse humano. Una de las palabras que los niños usaron para describir a los bebés fue la palabra delicado. ¡Fue perfecto! Dios se convirtió en un niño delicado que dependía de sus padres y era frágil al igual que esta nueva estatua. A pesar de que no lo había planeado, le pedí a uno de los monaguillos de la sacristía que me trajera la caja que contenía al Niño Jesús. Mientras explicaba más a fondo el significado de la palabra delicado, saqué la estatua de la caja, ¡y se podía oír a muchos de los niños de nuestra iglesia dejar escapar un jadeo audible! Todos quedaron hipnotizados por esta pequeña figura de cerámica. Lo mismo sucedió cuando salí de la sacristía para la Misa de Nochebuena de los niños y pasé por el coro donde muchos de nuestros alumnos de segundo y tercer grado se preparaban para cantar. Cuando vieron al Niño en mis brazos, se oyó a algunos de ellos decir: "¡Es el Niño Jesús!".

Es esa misma maravilla infantil la que debemos llevar a los misterios navideños. Fue pura maravilla lo que llevó a los Reyes Magos a venir a adorar al Señor. Ellos también deben haberse sorprendido cuando encontraron al Rey Recién Nacido acostado en un pobre pesebre. Pero así es como Dios actúa: nos sorprende constantemente mientras busca atraernos a su amor divino.

Así que, al comenzar un nuevo año, deja que Dios te sorprenda en los próximos meses. Es posible que estemos buscando todas las cosas equivocadas a medida que tomamos resoluciones. Mira al Divino Niño al pie de nuestro altar. Pídele que te haga tan simple e inocente como él. Con esa sencillez, podremos hacer grandes cosas en su Santo Nombre en el 2024.

Rezo para que cada uno de ustedes tenga un Año Nuevo Bendecido y que nuestra parroquia pueda continuar emulando la sencillez y el amor que el Niño Jesús continúa compartiendo con nosotros en esta temporada navideña.

Que Dios los bendiga a todos,

Fr. Manny



Building on Our Legacy

www.cotlf.org/centennial

Thank you, Donors!

We thank all our generous Centennial Campaign donors who have helped push us past the \$7 Million mark in just 3 quick months! As we continue our steady climb to our \$13 Million goal, we encourage **all** our families, friends, parishioners and alumni to consider making a sacrificial pledge/gift so that we can continue building on our legacy as a parish and school.

As we enter into 2024, we hope to begin signing contracts soon and accelerate the work that is needed to have many of our projects completed in time for our Centennial celebrations in 2025–2026. That will only be possible through your generous support! Whether you are a longtime parishioner or a first time visitor to the parish, please consider building on our legacy with a gift to the Centennial Campaign.

Making a pledge or submitting a gift can be done easily on our OSV Online Giving Hub. Many parishioners have already set up recurring donations for the regular offertory and we invite you to do the same for the Centennial Campaign.

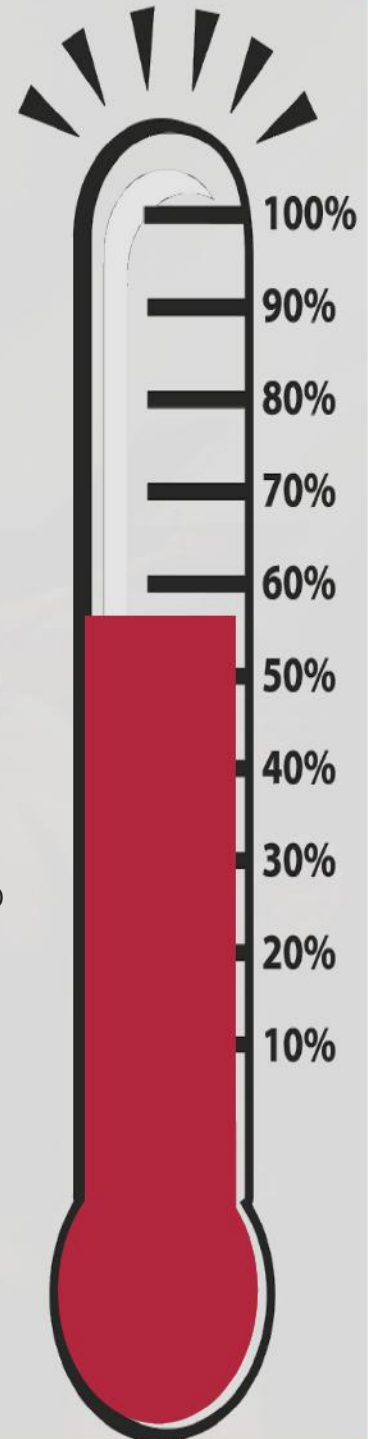
For more information, please contact Ashley Sacks at (305) 446-9950, Ext 309 or at asacks@cotlf.org



Campaign Progress

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| CAMPAIGN GOAL: | \$13,000,000 |
| TOTAL PLEDGED: | \$7,403,471.75 (57%) |
| TOTAL COLLECTED: | \$1,999,171 (15%) |

Scan the QR code to make your pledge or gift today!





Second Collection Next Weekend

Christ calls his disciples to love God and to love our neighbor. We can show love for our neighbors by performing corporal works of mercy, which include feeding those who are hungry, giving shelter to those who are homeless, and visiting prisoners. For more than 50 years, the US bishops' program to aid the Church in Latin America has helped the Church carry out its pastoral mission of mercy among those with both spiritual and material needs across Latin America and the Caribbean. These works of mercy are made possible through the generosity of Catholics in the United States to the Collection for the Church in Latin America, which will be taken up next weekend. Thank you for your generosity and support!

Eucharistic Cenacle Coming to COTLF

The Servants of the Pierced Hearts of Jesus and Mary invite you to accompany them this Friday in the Eucharistic Cenacle. It begins with the Holy Rosary at 7:30pm, Holy Mass at 8:00pm, followed by a time of Adoration and Praise before the Blessed Sacrament and then prayer for the sick and intercession for all the needs of the Church and the world.

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Learn more at www.piercedhearts.org



2024 Catholic Art Calendars

The 2024 Catholic Art Calendars were distributed at all Masses the weekend of December 16th and 17th. A limited supply remains available for pickup in the parish office during our regular hours, Mon-Fri, 8:00am to 4:00pm

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 2024 Calendars!



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JOIN THE MARRIAGE COVENANT RETREAT

The Marriage Covenant Experience, taking place weekend of February 9 – 11, 2024, is a retreat where you and your spouse can pause from daily life and reflect upon the importance of marriage, how we can make life happier for ourselves and for our families, and what role God plays in our everyday lives. It is guaranteed to be an unforgettable experience! Please scan the QR Code to register for the retreat!

For information, please contact:

Lisette Riera, drlissetteriera@gmail.com, 786-258-2037
or Maria Elena Chialastri, mechialastri55@gmail.com, 3059789946



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- † 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 meets on Tuesday mornings, at 7:45am in Comber Hall.

Scan the QR code to sign up now or contact Rob Lasa for more information, 305-934-7840.



DON'T MISS OUT ON A GOOD TIME!

17TH ANNUAL STS PIG-NIC

Sunday, January 28, 2024

1:00pm - 4:00pm

St. Theresa Catholic School Field

Bring a blanket & snacks and we will supply some fun and games!

Pork samples from competing teams will be available until food runs out.

All are welcome and event is FREE OF CHARGE!!



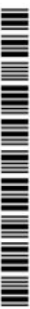
NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE 2024

Next week, 19 COTLF parishioners will be among tens of thousands of pilgrims who will be traveling to Washington, DC for the National March for Life. The M4L is an inspiring, peaceful, vibrant, and joy-filled rally of women, men, young people, and children from all across the country. Every year, tens of thousands of pro-lifers converge on the National Mall and march on Capitol Hill on the anniversary of the Supreme Court's 1973 Roe v. Wade ruling which legalized abortion in all 50 states. It's the largest annual human rights demonstration in the world. But this is not just a protest... TOGETHER, WE GATHER TO CELEBRATE LIFE.

We celebrate each and every life, from the moment of conception.

We envision a world where every life is celebrated, valued, and protected.

Join the march in solidarity by walking 1.7 miles, offering up your prayers and intentions for our policymakers, all M4L pilgrims, and for the culture of life! #WhyWeMarch



Charitable Contribution Acknowledgement Letters

Charitable Contribution Acknowledgement Letters will be generated and sent out by the end of the month to all registered families who donated a minimum of \$250 to COTLF in 2023. These letters will include donations made to the regular weekly offertory, any special/second collections, and/or the Centennial Campaign. Please be on the lookout for those letters in your mailboxes over the upcoming weeks.



DONATION



OFFICE TO CLOSE FOR MLK DAY ON MON, JAN 15

The Parish Office will be closed next Monday, January 15th in observance of MLK Day.

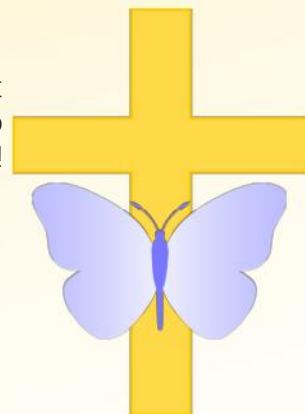
Masses will still be celebrated as regularly scheduled
at 6:15 am and 8:00am in English and at 5:30pm in Spanish.

WOMEN'S EMMAUS RETREAT

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

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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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Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.





What color are the priest's vestments? We are still celebrating the Christmas season, so he is wearing white.

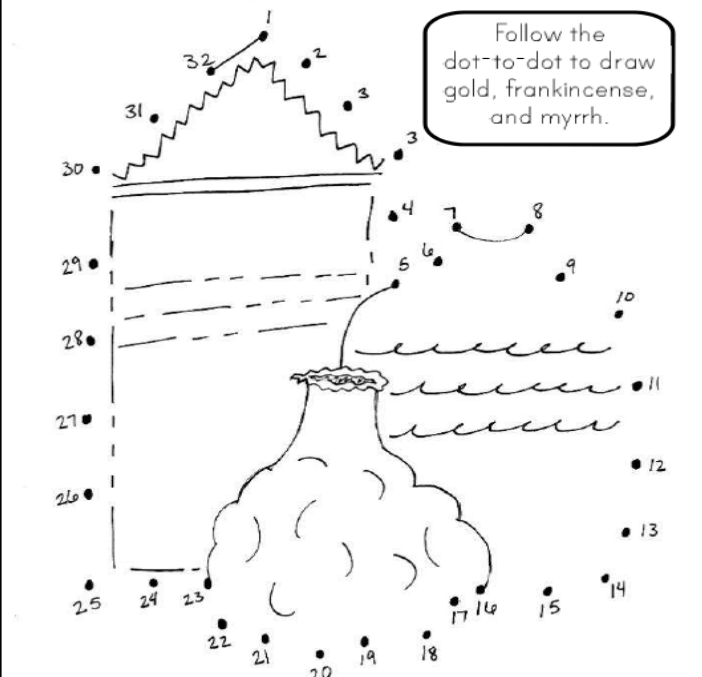
Saint John Bosco

Saint John Bosco had an important dream as a child. He dreamed that he was teaching children about God. When he grew up, his life was like that dream!


He juggled and did tricks to get kids to listen to him, then he could teach them about God and they would all go to Mass together.








Follow the dot-to-dot to draw gold, frankincense, and myrrh.



Where is the newborn King of the Jews?

We have come to give Him homage. Homage means worship!

Gospel



The Magi saw a star rise over Bethlehem and followed it to visit baby Jesus. They brought Him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.



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