



# Church of the LITTLE FLOWER

XXII SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

XXII DOMINGO EN EL

TIEMPO ORDINARIO

The  
Light

SEPTEMBER 7, 2025



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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
6:15 am	English
8:00 am	English

### SUNDAY

Time	Language
7:30 am	English
9:00 am	English
10:30 am	English
12:30 pm	Español
5:30 pm	English
7:00 pm	Italiano ( <i>1<sup>st</sup> Sunday Monthly</i> )

### WEEKLY CONFESSIONS

Priests are available to hear Confessions every Saturday morning, from 8:30am to 10:00am in the church.



### ST. JOSEPH PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL

Visit [www.cotlf.org/adoration](http://www.cotlf.org/adoration) for more details



## CHURCH OF THE LITTLE FLOWER - RETILLY PARISH CENTER

### Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday  
8:00 am - 4:00 pm

### Address

2711 Indian Mound Trail  
Coral Gables, FL 33134

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## SAINT THERESA CATHOLIC SCHOOL

### School Office Hours

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

### Address

2701 Indian Mound Trail  
Coral Gables, FL 33134

### Contact

(305) 446-1738  
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*Administered by the Carmelite Sisters of the Most Sacred Heart of L.A. - Sr. Rosalie, Principal*

## SACRED STEPS | SACRAMENTAL CELEBRATIONS AT COTLF



Welcome to the Catholic Church!  
Congratulations to our newly baptized:

- Kai Puig
- Zoey Skye Madruga



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



Rest in Peace.  
Let us pray for our recently deceased:

- Aida Soto
- Rafael Spencer, Jr

### THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

- Arrangements must be made with the Parish Office at least two (2) months in advance. Visit [cotlf.org/baptism](http://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](http://cotlf.org/baptism) para mas información.

### THE 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

AUG 31, 2025

### Attendance:

In-Church Collection:	\$ 9,940
Online Giving Offertory:	\$ 15,351
Drop-off/Mail-in Offering:	\$ 1,240
Children's Collection:	\$ 209
Devotional Candles:	\$ 812
Poor Box/Charities:	\$ 160

*Thank you for your generosity!*

*¡Gracias por su generosidad!*

*Grand Total: \$ 27,712*

## MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

## OUR PARISH MINISTRIES

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup>

XXIII SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00 pm (Vigil) + Luciana Fernandez  
 7:30 am + Manuel y Vicenta Quintana  
 9:00 am Luca Chialastri's Birthday  
 10:30 am *Missa Pro Populo* - For All Members of Our Parish Family  
 12:30 pm + Jose A. Cortez  
 5:30 pm + Benito Yoli  
 7:00 pm (Italian)

### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup>

Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

6:15 am Thanksgiving for John Murdock  
 8:00 am Andrea And Alexa Sardiñas' Birthday  
 5:30 pm *Misa Comunitaria*

### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9<sup>TH</sup>

Memorial of Saint Peter Claver, Priest

6:15 am Intentions of Kevin Murdock  
 8:00 am Ava Bericiartu's Birthday  
 5:30 pm *Misa Comunitaria*

### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10<sup>TH</sup>

Wednesday of Week XXIII in Ordinary Time

6:15 am For Students and Catechists in the Rel.Ed. Program  
 8:00 am + Adela Rodriguez  
 5:30 pm *Misa Comunitaria*

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11<sup>TH</sup>

Thursday of Week XXIII in Ordinary Time

6:15 am September 11th Remembrance  
 8:00 am + Maria Roque  
 5:30 pm *Misa Comunitaria*

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12<sup>TH</sup>

Friday of Week XXIII in Ordinary Time

6:15 am Intentions of the Murdock Family  
 8:00 am + Orestes Mendez  
 5:30 pm *Misa Comunitaria*

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13<sup>TH</sup>

Memorial of Saint John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

8:00 am Luis Cuza's Birthday

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14<sup>TH</sup>

FEAST OF THE EXULTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

5:00 pm (Vigil) Enrique Bravo  
 7:30 am Rick and Joanie O'Rourke Wedding Aniversary  
 9:00 am Intentions of the Murdock Family  
 10:30 am *Missa Pro Populo* - For All Members of Our Parish Family  
 12:30 pm Cumpleaños de Veronica M. Curbelo  
 5:30 pm + George and Dulce Kremer  
 7:00 pm (Italian) Celebrated only on First Sundays, Monthly

### SUNDAYS

11:30 am Carmel of Elijah (Cafeteria) - *Once Monthly*  
 1:30 pm Homeless Ministry Service Outing (Varies) - *Once Monthly*

### MONDAYS

10:00 am Seekers Bible Study (Morras Conf. Room & Zoom) - *Biweekly*  
 7:00 pm Adult Bible Study (Zoom)  
 7:00 pm Talleres de Oracion y Vida (Chapel Conf. Room)  
 7:30 pm Ejercicios Espirituales de San Ignacio (Morras Conf. Room)  
 7:30 pm Emaus de Hombres (Reilly Conf. Room)

### TUESDAYS

7:45 am That Man is You Men's Group (Comber Hall)  
 8:30 am Holy Face Devotion (Church)  
 7:00 pm OCIA Adult Formation Classes (STS Cafeteria)  
 7:30 pm Legion of Mary (Legion of Mary House)  
 8:00 pm English Charismatic Prayer (Chapel Conf. Room)

### WEDNESDAYS

4:00 & 6:30 pm Religious Education Classes (St. Theresa School)  
 7:30 pm Women's Emmaus (Reilly Conf. Room)  
 8:00 pm Communion & Liberation (Chapel Conf. Room)  
 8:00 pm Oración Carimatico en Español (Morras Conf. Room)

### THURSDAYS

7:45 am Walking with Purpose Women's Group (Comber Hall)  
 7:00 pm Knights of Columbus (Comber Hall) - *Once Monthly*  
 7:00 pm Schola Cantorum / Parish Choir (STS Music Room)  
 7:00 pm Scouts (Cafeteria)  
 7:30 pm Men's English Emmaus (Reilly Conf. Room)

### FRIDAYS

10:00 am Prayer Shawl Ministry (Reilly Conf. Room)  
 6:00 pm American Heritage Girls (STS Cafeteria) - *2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Friday*  
 6:30 pm Singles Ministry (STS Cafeteria)  
 8:00 pm Marriage Covenant (Zoom)

### SATURDAYS

7:00 am First Saturday Devotion / Rosary (Church)  
 9:00 am Baptism Preparation Classes (Reilly Parish Center)

### OTHER MINISTRIES

Grieving with Great Hope Bereavement Ministry  
 Liturgical Ministries (Altar Servers, EMHCs, Lectors, Ushers)

Greyed out ministries are not currently meeting.  
 Visit [www.cotlf.org/ministries](http://www.cotlf.org/ministries) for more details about each group.

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

### XXIII Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday	Wis 9:13-18b; Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17; Phlm 9-10, 12-17; Lk 14:25-33
Monday	Mt 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Ps 136:ab, 6c; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23
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	Col 3:12-17; Ps 150:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6; Lk 6:27-38
Friday	1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14; Ps 16:1b-2a and 5, 7-8, 11; Lk 6:39-42
Saturday	1 Tm 1:15-17; Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5 and 6-7; Lk 6:43-49
Sunday	Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17





## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK DEL ESCRITORIO DEL PARROCO

*My Dear Friends,*

Yesterday we celebrated the feast of St. Teresa of Calcutta (Mother Teresa). In last week's homily I shared with you some of the list that she kept to acquire the virtue of humility. Here is the list in its entirety:

1. Speak as little as possible about yourself.
2. Keep busy with your own affairs and not those of others.
3. Avoid curiosity (this refers to wanting to know things that should not concern you.)
4. Do not interfere in the affairs of others.
5. Accept small irritations with good humor.
6. Do not dwell on the faults of others.
7. Accept censures even if unmerited.
8. Give in to the will of others.
9. Accept insults and injuries.
10. Accept contempt, being forgotten and disregarded.
11. Be courteous and delicate even when provoked by someone.
12. Do not seek to be admired and loved.
13. Do not protect yourself behind your own dignity.
14. Give in, in discussions, even when you are right.
15. Choose always the more difficult task.

Mother Teresa well said that humility is the mother of all virtues, and just last week Pope Leo XIV called upon us to embrace this virtue: "Let us pray that the Church will always be a school of humility for everyone, a home where all are welcome, a place where rivalries are set aside and where Jesus still speaks to us and teaches us to imitate his own humility and freedom."

I invite you to meditate on this list. What applies to you? What can you eradicate from your life? Humility is the path to holiness!

*God bless you all,*

*Mis Queridos Amigos,*

Ayer, la Iglesia celebro la fiesta de Santa Teresa de Calcutta (Madre Teresa). En mi homilía la semana pasada, compartí partes de una lista que la Madre Teresa guardaba para poder adquirir la virtud de la humildad. Les presento la lista entera de la Santa para ser más humildes:

1. Habla lo menos posible sobre ti.
2. Mantente ocupado en tus propios asuntos y no con los de los demás.
3. Evita la curiosidad (se refiere a querer saber cosas que no deberían preocuparte).
4. No interfieras en los asuntos de los demás.
5. Acepta pequeñas irritaciones con buen humor.
6. No te detengas en las faltas de los demás.
7. Acepta censuras, incluso si no son merecidas.
8. Cede a la voluntad de los demás.
9. Acepta insultos y heridas.
10. Acepta el desprecio, ser olvidado y desatendido.
11. Se cortés y delicado incluso cuando seas provocado por alguien.
12. No busques ser admirado y amado.
13. No te protejas detrás de tu propia dignidad.
14. Cede en discusiones, incluso cuando tengas razón.
15. Elige siempre la tarea más difícil.

La Madre Teresa bien dijo que la humildad es la madre de todas las virtudes. La semana pasada el Papa Leon XIV hizo un llamado a todos a abrazar esta virtud: "Pidamos hoy que la Iglesia sea para todos un taller de humildad, es decir, esa casa en la que siempre se es bienvenido, donde los puestos no se conquistan, donde Jesús puede tomar todavía la Palabra y educarnos en su humildad y en su libertad."

Les invito esta semana a meditar sobre la lista de humildad de la Madre Teresa. ¿Qué les aplica a ustedes? ¿Qué debemos erradicar de nuestras vidas? La humildad es el camino a la santidad.

*Que Dios los bendiga a todos,*



## PIPE ORGANS ARE FOREVER... AND NOW YOUR LEGACY CAN BE, TOO!

Fisk Opus 166, which will be arriving here early next year, is now being erected at the Fisk workshop in Gloucester, MA. Keep an eye on their Facebook and Instagram pages (@cbfisk) for regular updates as the three towers get built up and the pipes start to get put in place.

Our new pipe organ will contain about 3,000 pipes and each one of them has been meticulously hand-crafted, from the melting of the metals and the creation of large tin sheets to the precise measuring, cutting, rolling, soldering, and detailed finishing of each individual pipe's various parts.

As we announced over the summer, those pipes are specially available to be dedicated in memory of a loved one, to commemorate major milestones like baptisms, first communions, confirmations, graduations, birthdays, weddings, or anniversaries, or simply to add your family's name to the long legacy of our parish in this milestone year.

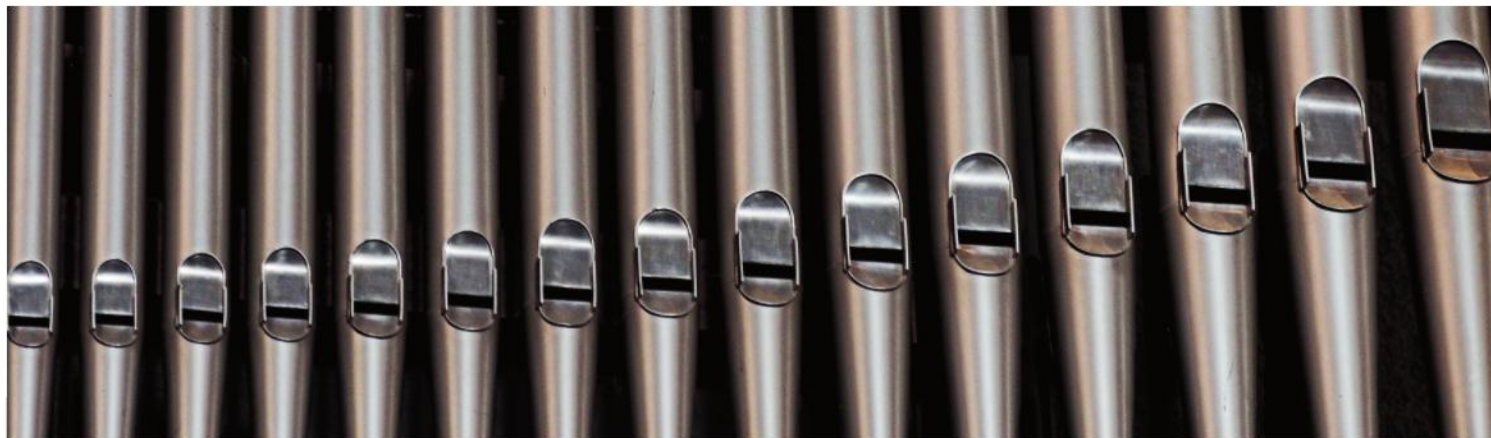
Pipe Memorializations will be recorded in a specially printed booklet which will be provided to each donor at no additional cost early next year.

A copy of the booklet will also remain inside the organ in perpetuity, ensuring the lasting legacy of both the instrument itself and of all those who helped to make it possible.

The 2,938 interior pipes remain available for dedication for \$400 each.

43 of the 60 facade pipes, forever visible on the front of each of the organ's three major cases, remain available for \$1,000 each.

Visit [www.cotlf.org/centennial](http://www.cotlf.org/centennial) to secure your legacy pipe today!





# TODAY'S READINGS / LECTURAS DEL DÍA

## Reading I: Wisdom 9:13-18b

Who can know God's counsel, or who can conceive what the LORD intends? For the deliberations of mortals are timid, and unsure are our plans. For the corruptible body burdens the soul and the earthen shelter weighs down the mind that has many concerns. And scarce do we guess the things on earth, and what is within our grasp we find with difficulty; but when things are in heaven, who can search them out? Or who ever knew your counsel, except you had given wisdom and sent your holy spirit from on high? And thus were the paths of those on earth made straight.

**Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17**

**R:/** In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

You turn man back to dust, saying, "Return, O children of men."  
For a thousand years in your sight are as yesterday, now that it is past,  
or as a watch of the night.

You make an end of them in their sleep;  
the next morning they are like the changing grass,  
Which at dawn springs up anew, but by evening wilts and fades.

Teach us to number our days aright,  
that we may gain wisdom of heart.  
Return, O LORD! How long? Have pity on your servants!

Fill us at daybreak with your kindness,  
that we may shout for joy and gladness all our days.  
And may the gracious care of the LORD our God be ours;  
prosper the work of our hands for us! Prosper the work of our hands!  
**Reading II: Philemon 9-10, 12-17**

I, Paul, an old man, and now also a prisoner for Christ Jesus, urge you on behalf of my child Onesimus, whose father I have become in my imprisonment; I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. I should have liked to retain him for myself, so that he might serve me on your behalf in my imprisonment for the gospel, but I did not want to do anything without your consent, so that the good you do might not be forced but voluntary. Perhaps this is why he was away from you for a while, that you might have him back forever, no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a brother, beloved especially to me, but even more so to you, as a man and in the Lord. So if you regard me as a partner, welcome him as you would me.

**Gospel: Luke 14:25-33**

Great crowds were traveling with Jesus, and he turned and addressed them, "If anyone comes to me without hating his father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple. Which of you wishing to construct a tower does not first sit down and calculate the cost to see if there is enough for its completion? Otherwise, after laying the foundation and finding himself unable to finish the work the onlookers should laugh at him and say, 'This one began to build but did not have the resources to finish.' Or what king marching into battle would not first sit down and decide whether with ten thousand troops he can successfully oppose another king advancing upon him with twenty thousand troops? But if not, while he is still far away, he will send a delegation to ask for peace terms. In the same way, anyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple."

## Primera Lectura: Sabiduría 9, 13-19

¿Quién es el hombre que puede conocer los designios de Dios? ¿Quién es el que puede saber lo que el Señor tiene dispuesto? Los pensamientos de los mortales son inseguros y sus razonamientos pueden equivocarse, porque un cuerpo corruptible hace pesada el alma y el barro de que estamos hechos entorpece el entendimiento. Con dificultad conocemos lo que hay sobre la tierra y a duras penas encontramos lo que está a nuestro alcance. ¿Quién podrá descubrir lo que hay en el cielo? ¿Quién conocerá tus designios, si tú no le das la sabiduría, enviando tu santo espíritu desde lo alto? Sólo con esa sabiduría lograron los hombres enderezar sus caminos y conocer lo que te agrada. Sólo con esa sabiduría se salvaron, Señor, los que te agradaron desde el principio.

**Salmo Responsorial: Salmo 89, 3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 y 17**

**R:/** Tú eres, Señor, nuestro refugio.

Tú haces volver al polvo a los humanos,  
diciendo a los mortales que retornen.  
Mil años para ti son como un día que ya pasó; como una breve noche.

Nuestra vida es tan breve como un sueño; semejante a la hierba,  
que despunta y florece en la mañana  
y por la tarde se marchita y se seca.

Enséñanos a ver lo que es la vida y seremos sensatos.  
¿Hasta cuándo, Señor, vas a tener  
compasión de tus siervos? ¿Hasta cuándo?

Llénanos de tu amor por la mañana y júbilo será la vida toda.  
Haz, Señor, que tus siervos y sus hijos,  
puedan mirar tus obras y tu gloria.

**Segunda Lectura: Filemón 9-10, 12-17**

Querido hermano: Yo, Pablo, ya anciano y ahora, además, prisionero por la causa de Cristo Jesús, quiero pedirte algo en favor de Onésimo, mi hijo, a quien he engendrado para Cristo aquí, en la cárcel. Te lo envío. Recíbelo como a mí mismo. Yo hubiera querido retenerlo conmigo, para que en tu lugar me atendiera, mientras estoy preso por la causa del Evangelio. Pero no he querido hacer nada sin tu consentimiento, para que el favor que me haces no sea como por obligación, sino por tu propia voluntad. Tal vez él fue apartado de ti por un breve tiempo, a fin de que lo recuperaras para siempre, pero ya no como esclavo, sino como algo mejor que un esclavo, como hermano amadísimo. Él ya lo es para mí. ¡Cuánto más habrá de serlo para ti, no sólo por su calidad de hombre, sino de hermano en Cristo! Por tanto, si me consideras como compañero tuyo, recíbelo como a mí mismo.

**Evangelio: Lucas 14, 25-33**

En aquel tiempo, caminaba con Jesús una gran muchedumbre y él, volviéndose a sus discípulos, les dijo: "Si alguno quiere seguirme y no me prefiere a su padre y a su madre, a su esposa y a sus hijos, a sus hermanos y a sus hermanas, más aún, a sí mismo, no puede ser mi discípulo. Y el que no carga su cruz y me sigue, no puede ser mi discípulo. Porque, ¿quién de ustedes, si quiere construir una torre, no se pone primero a calcular el costo, para ver si tiene con qué terminarla? No sea que, después de haber echado los cimientos, no pueda acabarla y todos los que se enteren comiencen a burlarse de él, diciendo: 'Este hombre comenzó a construir y no pudo terminar'. ¿O qué rey que va a combatir a otro rey, no se pone primero a considerar si será capaz de salir con diez mil soldados al encuentro del que viene contra él con veinte mil? Porque si no, cuando el otro esté aún lejos, le enviará una embajada para proponerle las condiciones de paz. Así pues, cualquiera de ustedes que no renuncie a todos sus bienes, no puede ser mi discípulo."

## OCIA - ADULT SACRAMENTAL FORMATION

Have you been inspired to join the Catholic Church? 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, beginning once again this September.



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 Holy Eucharist.
- † Catholic adults who were baptized Roman Catholic as infants and need to complete their Sacraments of Eucharist and/or Confirmation.

The 2025-2026 Order of Christian Initiation of Adults ("OCIA") program meets on Tuesday evenings. Those who are interested in learning more may register now by visiting our Parish Website at

[www.cotlf.org/OCIA](http://www.cotlf.org/OCIA)

or by contacting Deacon Roberto Fleitas at [RFleitas@cotlf.org](mailto:RFleitas@cotlf.org)

## WALKING WITH PURPOSE WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Come as you are. You are welcome here!

Make authentic connections with other women. Refuel and refresh. Learn more about God.

*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 women new to WWP (with or without Bible study experience). We invite you to be amazed at how Scripture applies to your everyday life.

**Discovering Our Dignity** will show you how the power of God worked in the lives of women of the Old and New Testaments. Some of them were as flawed and broken as we can be, and their stories provide us with modern day advice. This study is for women who have participated in WWP in the past.

STS/COTLF Bible Study for Women  
September 25, 2025 - May 2026

Weekly Thursday meetings, from 7:45am - 9:00am in the STS Cafeteria.

For more information, email us at [STSWalkingWithPurpose@gmail.com](mailto:STSWalkingWithPurpose@gmail.com)

Sign up today by scanning the QR code or visit <https://tinyurl.com/STSWWP>



## THAT MAN IS YOU!

Join us for our third year of THAT MAN IS YOU!, an inspiring, interactive program for men who want to grow in leadership, faith, and purpose.

*The Fight of Faith* equips and enables men to engage in the cosmic, spiritual battle raging in our day. Biblical identities will emerge to inspire heroic lives of service to a calling greater than ourselves. Uncover the ultimate truth that sheds light on all things: God's own identity. Fight the good fight of faith to win an imperishable crown of glory.

All men are invited to join us for food, fellowship and faith starting Tuesday, September 9th at 7:30am in the Parish Office.

For more information, please contact John St. George at (803) 237-1002 or [jhn.st.george@gmail.com](mailto:jhn.st.george@gmail.com)







## PARDON OUR DUST!

For the next few months, the Main Church will be closed for construction ahead of the February 2026 arrival of our new pipe organ. We anticipate a return to the church later this Fall, but until then, we will celebrate all Masses and liturgies in the same space as our founding parishioners did a century ago!

The Old Church immediately next door will be open for silent prayer, as is our normal custom here at COTLF, from 6am to 6pm daily. The Blessed Sacrament is kept in repose in the Tabernacle there and the saint statues and devotional candles are available as well.

Learn more about the ongoing projects at [www.cotlf.org/centennial](http://www.cotlf.org/centennial)



## 2<sup>ND</sup> COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND: CUA

Founded in 1887 by the U.S. bishops, The Catholic University of America is the national university of the Catholic Church in the United States, educating seminarians, religious, bishops, and laity to advance the dialogue between faith and reason. As a comprehensive institution of higher education, Catholic University seeks to impart the truth through excellence in teaching and research, in service to the Church, the nation, and the world.

Please help support the Catholic University of America Collection through the in-pew collection weekend or give online now.



## MONTHLY SCOUTS MASS

This week we welcome the Boy Scouts and American Heritage Girls to our 9:00am for our monthly Scouts Mass, which will be celebrated at 9:00am on the first Sunday of each month throughout the academic year. The boys and girls scouting groups will be present in their full uniforms, assisting the ushers in greeting the faithful, handing out bulletins, and taking up the collection. Please be sure to ask them about their Troop activities or how you can get involved!

TO LEARN MORE:

Boy Scouts Pack 16 - [stspack16@gmail.com](mailto:stspack16@gmail.com)

*Scout Master, Javier Pino*

American Heritage Girls Troop 1001 - [AHGTroop1001@gmail.com](mailto:AHGTroop1001@gmail.com)

*Troop Coordinator - Lily Guallar*



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## FALL 2025 GRIEF SUPPORT WORKSHOP

*Grieving with Great Hope* is a free five-week grief support workshop video series with peer group discussions that offers a prayerful, practical and personal approach for anyone who is mourning the loss of a loved one.

If you have lost a family member, friend or anyone truly meaningful in your life, you are encouraged to attend. The group will meet on Monday evenings for 5 weeks, beginning on Monday, September 8<sup>th</sup>.

Please register for the Fall 2025 Workshop by scanning the QR Code. For more information, please contact Christine Iliffe at [bereavement@cotlf.org](mailto:bereavement@cotlf.org)







## MEN'S EMMAUS RETREAT #53

All the men of the parish are invited to the next English Men's Emmaus Retreat, which will be held the weekend of October 24th — 26th right here on the grounds of St. Theresa Catholic School. This weekend retreat is for you to disconnect from all the distractions and preoccupations of daily life and concentrate on personal introspection and your relationship with God. We shut off our phones, laptops, and tablets, leave behind all the stress and noise of the "outside world," and focus on fellowship with like-minded men from all walks of life as we strive to grow individually and spiritually and get closer to the Lord.

Scan the QR code or visit [www.littlefloweremmaus.org](http://www.littlefloweremmaus.org) to register!



FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT:  
Samuel Moynelo, (786) 370-1692 or Alejandro Herrera, (305) 283-2011

## EMAUS DE MUJERES #17

Las mujeres de Emaus te invita para un fin de semana lleno de esperanza, renovación, y jubilo. Este retiro es para mujeres mayores de 21 años y el espacio esta limitado. Inscríbese temprano para asegurar su puesto! Esperamos contar contigo en este maravilloso fin de semana de conexión y crecimiento espiritual en el Retiro de Emaús para Mujeres.  
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- Cuando: 19-21 de Septiembre, 2025
- Donde: Colegio de Santa Teresita, 2701 Indian Mound Trail, Coral Gables, FL 33134
- Costo: \$200, pero no dejen de asistir por razones de dinero. Hay becas disponibles

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## ✠☀ NEW YOUTH GROUP STARTING SOON! ☀✠

We're excited to launch a new Youth Group at the Church of the Little Flower, Gaudium, for teens seeking to grow in faith, build community, and deepen their relationship with Christ.

**First Meeting:** Thursday, September 11th

**Time:** 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM

**Location:** Comber Hall Second Floor

Open to all high school teens!

Each week will include prayer, talks rooted in Church teaching, fellowship, and opportunities to encounter Christ through Adoration, service, and community. Come and be part of something meaningful.  
Bring a friend and join us on this journey of faith!

For more information, contact Maria Zabala at (786) 385 - 5150.

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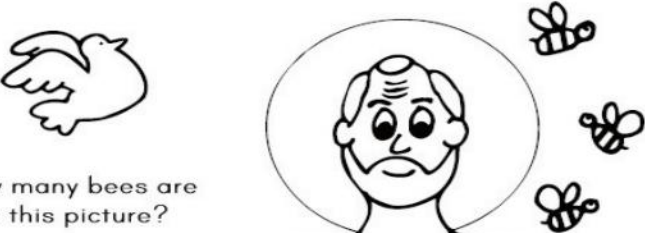
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The candles in the church are made from beeswax. How many candles are in your church?

## Saint John Chrysostom

Saint John Chrysostom was known as "Golden Mouthed" because he was a great speaker. He talked to people about Jesus.




How many bees are in this picture?


Saint John Chrysostom said that bees are very important because they work hard to help others.

Bees live together in a family. Each bee works to help the whole family.

How do you help your family?

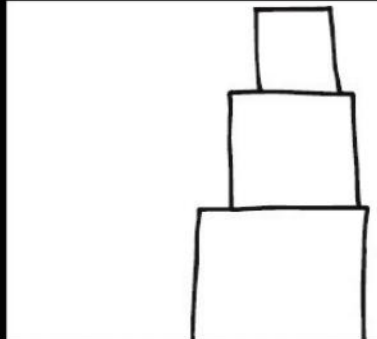







Help me finish this comic about the Gospel. Listen to the Gospel to help you draw pictures.

Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple.




This person began to build but did not have the resources to finish.



Ha ha!

When a king is still far away, he will send a group of soldiers to ask for peace.

## Gospel



Crowds of people followed Jesus to hear His teachings. In today's Gospel, we hear Jesus teaching them how to become His disciples. We can all be disciples by listening to Jesus' teachings.





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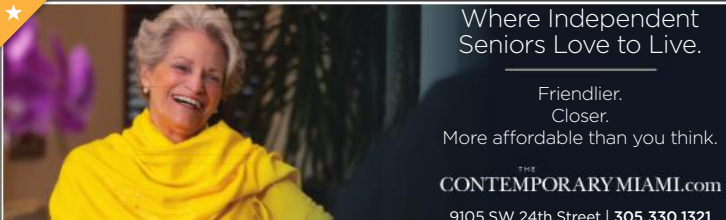
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
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