



Church of the LITTLE FLOWER

The
Light

OCTOBER 26, 2025

XXX SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

XXX DOMINGO EN EL

TIEMPO ORDINARIO



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
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>1st 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 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

Contact

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SAINT THERESA CATHOLIC SCHOOL

School Office Hours

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

Address

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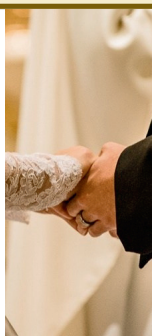
Administered by the Carmelite Sisters of the Most Sacred Heart of L.A. - Sr. Rosalie, Principal

SACRED STEPS | SACRAMENTAL CELEBRATIONS AT COTLF



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

- Caden Prudencio Unanue
- Aitana Cardonna Gil
- Benjamin Archer Elison
- Aliana Diana Meza Estrada



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

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

- Georgina Valdes

THE 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.

THE 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

OCT 19, 2025

Attendance:	2,310
In-Church Collection:	\$ 11,931
Online Giving Offertory:	\$ 15,597
Drop-off/Mail-in Offering:	\$ 790
Children's Collection:	\$ 431
Devotional Candles:	\$ 1,217
Poor Box/Charities:	\$ 175

Thank you for your generosity!

¡Gracias por su generosidad!

Grand Total: \$30,141

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

OUR PARISH MINISTRIES

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26TH

XXX SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00 pm (Vigil)	Maximiliano Lopez- Gopie's Birthday
7:30 am	+ Anne O'Rourke
9:00 am	+ Clara Miriam Sosa- Paez
10:30 am	<i>Missa Pro Populo</i> - For All Members of Our Parish Family
12:30 pm	+ Katherine Guilarte y Maria Mercedes Garcia
5:30 pm	+ Josefina Bravo
7:00 pm (Italian)	Celebrated only on First Sundays, Monthly

MONDAY, OCTOBER 27TH

Monday of Week XXX in Ordinary Time

6:15 am	Martha Pearson's Birthday
8:00 am	+ Maria Roque
5:30 pm	<i>Misa Comunitaria</i>

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28TH

Feast of Sts. Simon and Jude, Apostles

6:15 am	Intentions of the Murdock Family
8:00 am	+ Jose & Rosa Alvarez
5:30 pm	<i>Misa Comunitaria</i>

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 29TH

Wednesday of Week XXX in Ordinary Time

6:15 am	Living and Deceased Members of the Palenzuela and Fernandez Families
8:00 am	Sandy Rousseau's Birthday
5:30 pm	<i>Misa Comunitaria</i>

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 30TH

Thursday of Week XXX in Ordinary Time

6:15 am	Cathy Pearson's Birthday
8:00 am	+ Manuel Davila
5:30 pm	<i>Misa Comunitaria</i>

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31ST

Friday of Week XXX in Ordinary Time

6:15 am	For All Who Passed Away This Month
8:00 am	+ Mariana Hernandez
5:30 pm	<i>Misa Comunitaria</i>

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 1ST

SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS

8:00 am	The Holy Father's Intention: For the Prevention of Suicide
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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2ND

THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

5:00 pm (Vigil)	Intentions of the Murdock Family
7:30 am	+ Elio Nuñez Garcia and Olympia Vivas de Nuñez
9:00 am	All Souls' Day Novena
10:30 am	<i>Missa Pro Populo</i> - For All Members of Our Parish Family
12:30 pm	+ Margarita Morales
5:30 pm	+ Cristina Parlade
7:00 pm (Italian)	+ Massimo Balducci

SUNDAYS

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

MONDAYS

10:00 am	Seekers Bible Study (Morras Conf. Room & Zoom) - <i>Biweekly</i>
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 (Parish Office Center)
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 (Cafeteria)
7:00 pm	Knights of Columbus (Comber Hall) - <i>Once Monthly</i>
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) - <i>3rd Friday</i>
6:00 pm	American Heritage Girls (STS Cafeteria) - <i>2nd & 4th Friday</i>
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 for more details about each group.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

XXX Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday	Sir 35:12-14; 16-18; Ps 34:2-3, 17-18, 19, 23; 2 Tm 4:6, 8, 16-18; Lk 18:9-14
Monday	Rom 8:12-17; Ps 68:2 and 4, 6-7ab, 20-21; Lk 13:10-17
Tuesday	Eph 2:19-22; Ps 19:2-3, 4-5; Lk 6:12-16
Wednesday	Rom 8:26-30; Ps 13:4-5, 6; Lk 13:22-30
Thursday	Rom 8:31b-39; Ps 109:21-22, 26-27, 30-31; Lk 13:31-35
Friday	Rom 9:1-5; Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20; Lk 14:1-6
Saturday	Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a
Sunday	Wis 3:1-9; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Rom 5:5-11 or Rom 6:3-9; Jn 6:37-40



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

My Dear Friends,

ONE MORE WEEK! Our long summer of refurbishment in the church is finally (almost) over, and next week when you arrive for Sunday Mass, you will be able to walk into our glorious church for the first time since June 8th. It will be worth the wait. Freshly painted walls, a restored sanctuary, shined marble and tiled floors, a reinforced balcony, patched up water damage, and brand new all-wood pews with comfortable kneelers. There are a great many subtle things that were done that I will leave to your discerning eye, but our hope is that we have restored our church to the splendor it had when it was first opened in the early 1950's to have her ready to celebrate our Centennial.

The church officially reopens on Saturday morning, November 1st, the Solemnity of All Saints', which is not a Holy Day of Obligation this year. Nevertheless, we will have a solemn Mass at 8:00 a.m. to open the church and bless the new pews. The church has basically been a construction area for nearly five months with workers laboring long hours to have our worship space ready this week, so a simple blessing is in order. Father David and I will bless the church with Holy Water at 7:30 a.m. and do an order of blessing of the pews, and the Blessed Sacrament will reenter the church once the blessing is done. All of this will happen in the half hour before the 8:00 a.m. Mass begins. All are welcome to participate in this simple rite of blessing at 7:30 a.m. before Mass begins so you can be among the first parishioners to see our refurbished church. The Archbishop will offer a more formal blessing once all the work is completed and the organ is fully installed next year. While we re-enter the church this coming week, there is still some work to be done, especially on the balcony to prepare it for the new organ's arrival in February.

I can't thank all of you enough for the patience you had this summer while we were displaced from the church for this necessary work to be done. We are blessed that we had a space like our old church to celebrate Mass this summer which was made to feel like home by an inspiring group of ladies that transformed the stage into a sanctuary for Holy Mass. I extend my gratitude to our staff who went above and beyond this summer to work with all the workers who labored tirelessly in the church. Sometime next month, I will go into more detail over the large scope of work that was miraculously done over this short time. I use that word miracle purposely because the hand of God was truly with us. Everything had to go just right, and everyone had to move in the same direction, and your parish staff broke their backs to make sure the church was ready for November 1st.

One final word as we return to the most beautiful church in the archdiocese: patience. The acoustics of the church were improved and it may take some time to get the sound system perfectly calibrated, which we cannot do until we have the church filled with people. Also, as I mentioned above, the balcony and other small corners of the church still need to be worked on, so the church for the time being will only be opened during Mass times on weekdays, and unfortunately won't be open for private prayer time that we are so used to. The church will be closed from 8:45 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. I ask that you please go to the St. Joseph's Adoration Chapel across the street where our Lord is always waiting for us to pray. Please offer a prayer of thanksgiving for all the workers who skillfully painted, built, patched up, cleaned, refurbished, and lovingly restored our church for us in time for our 100th birthday. I can't wait to open the doors for all of you, so that we may offer a worthy sacrifice of thanksgiving when we celebrate Mass in our church next weekend.

God bless you all,

Fr. Manny



DELESCRITORIO DEL PARROCO

Mis Queridos Amigos,

¡UNA SEMANA MÁS! Nuestro largo verano de remodelación en la iglesia por fin ha terminado (casi), y la próxima semana, cuando lleguen a la misa dominical, podrán entrar a nuestra gloriosa iglesia por primera vez desde el 8 de junio. La espera habrá valido la pena. Paredes recién pintadas, un santuario restaurado, pisos de mármol y baldosas relucientes, un balcón reforzado, daños por agua reparados y bancos de madera completamente nuevos con reclinatorios cómodos. Se hicieron muchos pequeños cambios que dejaré a que ustedes lo capten, pero esperamos haber restaurado nuestra iglesia al esplendor que tenía cuando se inauguró a principios de la década de 1950 para tenerla lista para celebrar nuestro Centenario.

La iglesia reabre oficialmente el sábado 1 de noviembre por la mañana, Solemnidad de Todos los Santos, que este año no es un Día de Precepto. Sin embargo, tendremos una misa solemne a las 8:00 a. m. para inaugurar la iglesia y bendecir los nuevos bancos. La iglesia ha estado en construcción durante casi cinco meses, con obreros trabajando largas horas para tener listo nuestro espacio sagrado esta semana, así que una simple bendición es lo indicado. El Padre David y yo bendeciremos la iglesia con agua bendita a las 7:30 a. m. y realizaremos la orden de bendición de los bancos. El Santísimo Sacramento volverá a entrar en la iglesia una vez finalizada la bendición. Todo esto tendrá lugar media hora antes del inicio de la misa de las 8:00 a. m. Todos están invitados a participar en este sencillo rito de bendición a las 7:30 a. m., antes del inicio de la misa, para que puedan ser de los primeros feligreses en ver nuestra iglesia remodelada. El Arzobispo ofrecerá una bendición más formal una vez que se completen todas las obras y el órgano esté completamente instalado el próximo año. Aunque volvemos a la iglesia la semana que viene, aún queda un poco de trabajo por hacer, especialmente en el balcón para prepararlo para la llegada del nuevo órgano en febrero.

Les agradezco enormemente la paciencia que tuvieron este verano mientras nos desplazaban de la iglesia para realizar estas obras necesarias. Tenemos la bendición de tener un espacio como nuestra antigua iglesia para celebrar la misa este verano, que un inspirador grupo de mujeres hizo sentir como en casa al transformar el escenario en un santuario para la Santa Misa. Agradezco a nuestro personal, que se esforzó al máximo este verano para colaborar con todos los trabajadores que trabajaron incansablemente en la iglesia. El mes que viene, daré más detalles sobre la gran obra que se realizó milagrosamente en tan poco tiempo. Utilizo la palabra "milagro" a propósito porque la mano de Dios estuvo realmente con nosotros. Todo tenía que salir a la perfección, y todos debían avanzar en la misma dirección, y el personal de su parroquia se esforzó al máximo para asegurarse de que la iglesia estuviera lista para el 1 de noviembre.

Una última palabra al regresar a la iglesia más hermosa de la arquidiócesis: paciencia. La acústica de la iglesia ha mejorado y puede que tome un tiempo calibrar perfectamente el sistema de sonido, lo cual no podremos lograr hasta que la iglesia esté llena de gente. Además, como mencioné antes, aún faltan reparaciones en el balcón y otros rincones de la iglesia, por lo que, por el momento, la iglesia solo estará abierta durante las misas entre semana y, lamentablemente, no estará abierta para el tiempo de oración privada al que estamos tan acostumbrados. La iglesia estará cerrada de 8:45 a. m. a 5:00 p. m. Les pido que por favor vayan a la Capilla de Adoración de San José, al otro lado de la calle, donde nuestro Señor siempre nos espera para orar. Por favor, ofrezcan una oración de agradecimiento por todos los trabajadores que pintaron, construyeron, repararon, limpiaron, y restauraron con tanto cariño nuestra iglesia a tiempo para nuestro centenario. Me alegra el corazón poder abrir las puertas para todos ustedes, para que podamos ofrecer un digno sacrificio de acción de gracias cuando celebremos la Misa en nuestra iglesia el próximo fin de semana.

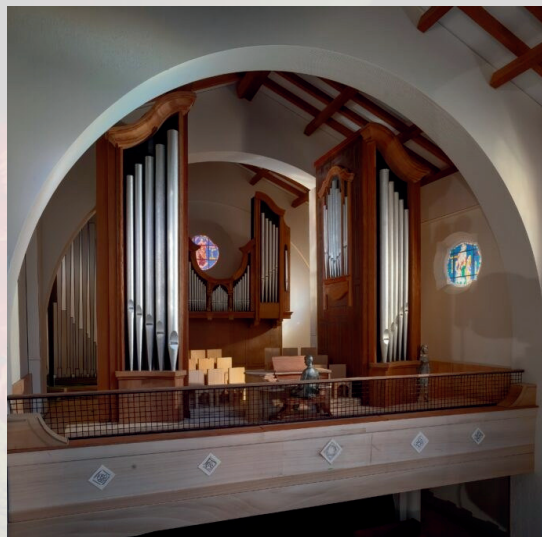
Que Dios los bendiga a todos,



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Centennial Campaign Update



THANK YOU, PARISHIONERS

This weekend is our final one in the *old church*, our parish's original worship space, as the main church will reopen on Saturday, November 1st with our 8:00am morning Mass and confessions.

We give thanks to all who made our temporary worship space so beautiful and worthy of the Divine Sacrifice of the Mass over these past four months.

Special thanks as well to you, all our beloved parishioners, for your prayers, patience, and positivity while we worked hard to prepare our church for our centennial. We can't wait for you to enjoy the church again next weekend!

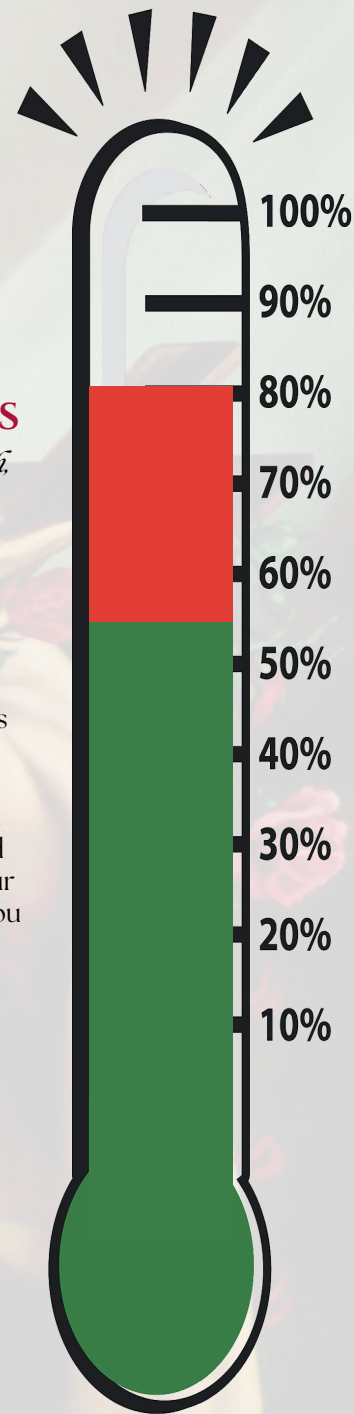
We are grateful to all our campaign donors who have made all this work possible! If you would like to set up a new pledge, increase your current pledge, give a new gift, restart your contributions, or check the status of your campaign giving, please contact Ashley Dominguez, Parish Director of Development, at ADominguez@cotlf.org • 305-446-9950, Ext 309



CAMPAIGN PROGRESS

CAMPAIGN GOAL: \$13,000,000
TOTAL PLEDGED: \$10,444,040.38 (80.34%)
TOTAL GIVEN: \$7,121,238.56 (54.78%)

Updated as of October 21st





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On the occasion of the 100th Anniversary of the Canonization of

ST. THÉRÈSE OF LISIEUX

her relics will be here at the parish from December 2nd—4th!

Tues, December 2	Weds, December 3	Thurs, December 4
11:00am Arrival and Welcome by School Children	6:15am Daily Mass	6:15am Daily Mass
11:30am – 5:15pm Public Veneration	6:45am – 7:45am Public Veneration	6:45am – 7:45am Public Veneration
5:00pm Rosary	8:00am Daily Mass	8:00am Daily Mass
5:30pm Spanish Daily Mass	8:45am – 11:00am Church Closed for School Mass	8:30am – 9:30am Public Veneration
7:00pm Welcome Mass with Archbishop Wenski	11:00am – 5:15pm Public Veneration	9:45am Farewell Ceremony
8:00pm – 6:00am Public Veneration	5:00pm Rosary	10:00am Departure of Relics
	5:30pm Spanish Mass	
	7:00pm Holy Hour and Carmelite Reflection	
	8:00pm – 6:00am Public Veneration	

Learn more about the relics
USA visit and the full schedule
of Miami events at
<https://stthereseusa2025.com>





St. Theresa Catholic School

St. Theresa Catholic School is committed to
Catholic Faith Formation, Academic Excellence, and
Service in a Nurturing, Christ-Centered Environment.

OPEN HOUSE

Nov 5th at 9:00am



Accepting online applications shortly after Open House has concluded.

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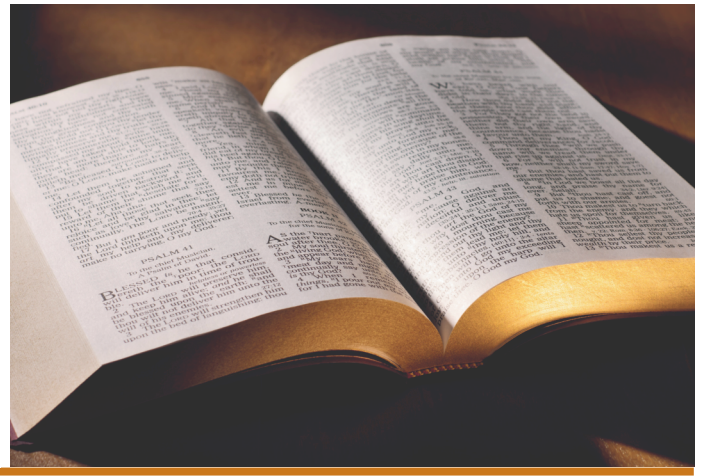
For more information,
please contact Nathalie Gonzalez at n.gonzalez@stscg.org



DAILY MASS READINGS

Daily Mass Readings are published online by the USCCB and are available by scanning the QR code or by downloading the *Hallow Prayer App* or the free *MyParish App*.

Las lecturas diarias de la Misa se publican en línea por la USCCB y están disponibles escaneando el código QR o descargando la aplicación de oración *Hallow* o la aplicación gratuita *MyParish*.



ALL SOULS' DAY NOVENA

Beginning on Sunday, November 2nd (All Souls' Day) and continuing through Monday, November 10th, we will be offering one daily Mass for all intentions offered through the All Souls' Day Novena. If you receive parish offertory envelopes, you should find a special envelope with space to add names for the Novena. You may also add names to the All Souls' Novena list through our Online Giving platform at www.osvhub.com/cotlf

All Novena envelopes or Online Giving Novena Notes will be placed by the altar for the duration of the Novena as we pray together for all of our deceased loved ones.



2026 MASS INTENTIONS

Offering a Mass for a special intention is a long-standing tradition in the Catholic Church. It is usually considered that special graces are obtained for whom the Mass is said. Masses are offered for many reasons; for the souls in purgatory, in remembrance for someone who is deceased, for someone who is ill, or for someone celebrating a special occasion.

The 2026 Mass Intentions Books will open on
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 3rd!



RETIRO DEL CONVENIO MATRIMONIAL

7 - 9 de Noviembre, 2025 • STS Cafeteria

El Convenio Matrimonial es una experiencia de fin de semana en la que usted y su pareja podrán hacer una pausa de la vida cotidiana y reflexionar sobre el estado y la importancia de su matrimonio. Explorarán cómo pueden fortalecer su relación de una manera divertida y en un ambiente relajado. Además, aprenderán cómo hacer que la vida sea más alegre para ustedes como pareja y como familia y conocerán cuál es el rol que tiene Dios en sus vidas.

Para más información contactarse con:

Jennifer y Daniel Rodríguez, (305) 766-0481,
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Costo de Inscripción: \$150

Inscríbese en nuestra aplicación digital.



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The Lord
hears the cry
of the poor.

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How many times do you say "Amen" during Mass today?





Gospel

Jesus talks about two men praying. One man stands up and tells God about his own greatness. The other man bows his head and asks God for help, praying about God's greatness. The second man is humble. Jesus asks us to be humble.

Saint Jude

Saint Jude is the patron saint of lost causes. He helps out when nothing else seems to work. Pray to Saint Jude when you have a bad day.

Can you find all the symbols of Saint Jude?

