



Church of the LITTLE FLOWER

XXXII SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The
Light

NOVEMBER 16, 2025

XXXII DOMINGO
EN EL TIEMPO ORDINARIO



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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 (<i>Saturday Vigil</i>)

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, Montefi</i>)

WEEKLY CONFESSIONS

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



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Visit www.cotlf.org/adoration for more details



CHURCH OF THE LITTLE FLOWER - REILLY PARISH CENTER

Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday
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SACRED STEPS | SACRAMENTAL CELEBRATIONS AT COTLF



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

- Zayn Torres
- Celeste Ydelsy Malek
- Ella Sofia Lopez
- Adelynn Michelle Sanchez
- Cameron Jose Bringas
- Anthony Daniel Sassetti
- Saad Timothy Jerri



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

- Manuel Lahens & Laura Moran
- Ignacio Weill & Valentina Gonzalez Nunez de Caceres



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

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

NOV 9, 2025

Attendance:	2,452
In-Church Collection:	\$ 11,696
Online Giving Offertory:	\$ 16,606
Drop-off/Mail-in Offering:	\$ 1,758
Children's Collection:	\$ 508
Devotional Candles:	\$ 1,678
Poor Box/Charities:	\$ 222
<i>All Souls:</i>	<i>\$ 1,805</i>

Thank you for your generosity!

¡Gracias por su generosidad!

Grand Total: \$34,273

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

OUR PARISH MINISTRIES

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16TH

XXXIII SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00 pm (Vigil)	+ Ricky Vera
7:30 am	George and Dulce Kremer
9:00 am	Mike and Yamila's Wedding Anniversary
10:30 am	<i>Missa Pro Populō</i> - For All Members of Our Parish Family
12:30 pm	+ Irene Meza
3:00 pm	<i>St. Theresa School Centennial Mass</i>
5:30 pm	+ Rev. Fr. Francis Jay Rodriguez
7:00 pm (Italian)	Celebrated only on First Sundays, Monthly

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 17TH

Memorial of St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious

6:15 am	Aguilar Family Intentions
8:00 am	+ Emma Ventura
5:30 pm	<i>Misa Comunitaria</i>

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18TH

Tuesday of Week XXXIII in Ordinary Time /
Memorial of the Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts. Peter and Paul

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

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 19TH

Wednesday of Week XXXIII in Ordinary Time

6:15 am	All Souls In Purgatory
8:00 am	+ Braden Escobar
5:30 pm	<i>Misa Comunitaria</i>

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20TH

Thursday of Week XXXIII in Ordinary Time

6:15 am	Thanksgiving for Teresita Murdock
8:00 am	+ Lily Anne Rose Cuenca
5:30 pm	<i>Misa Comunitaria</i>

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21ST

Memorial of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

6:15 am	Intentions of the Murdock Family
8:00 am	+ Carlos Williams
5:30 pm	<i>Misa Comunitaria</i>

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22ND

Memorial of St. Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr

8:00 am	+ Virginia Suse
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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23RD

SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

5:00 pm (Vigil)	+ Deceased Members of the Gispert-Lobo Family
7:30 am	+ Manuel & Vicenta Quintana
9:00 am	Intentions of the Murdock Family
10:30 am	<i>Missa Pro Populō</i> - For All Members of Our Parish Family
12:30 pm	+ Jesus Rosales
5:30 pm	Pedro & Nery Heredia
7:00 pm (Italian)	Celebrated only on First Sundays, Monthly

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 Carismática 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

XXXIII Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Sunday	Mal 3:19-20a; Ps 98:5-6, 7-8, 9; 2 Thes 3:7-12; Lk 21:5-19
Monday	1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63; Ps 119:53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158; Lk 18:35-43
Tuesday	2 Mc 6:18-31; Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Lk 19:1-10
Wednesday	2 Mc 7:1, 20-31; Ps 17:1bcd, 5-6, 8b and 15; Lk 19:11-28
Thursday	1 Mc 2:15-29; Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15; Lk 19:41-44
Friday	1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59; 1 Chr 29:10bcd, 11abc, 11d-12a, 12bcd; Lk 19:45-48
Saturday	1 Mc 6:1-13; Ps 92:3, 4 and 6, 16 and 19; Lk 20:27-40
Sunday	2 Sm 5:1-3; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5; Col 1:12-20; Lk 23:35-43



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

My Dear Friends,

Today is a glorious day for our parish school. Archbishop Wenski will be coming to officially celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the School as we continue with our Centennial celebrations. As you might know, the school was founded on September 15, 1925. Ideally, we would have loved to celebrate a Mass with the community on that day or the Sunday before that day, but due to the summer heat of September, we decided to move the Mass to the more welcoming autumn weather that we definitely experienced this past week.

We welcome not only Archbishop Wenski, but also all the priests, religious and teachers who have served St. Theresa over the years. And we also welcome back our amazing alumni who were educated in the hallowed halls of STS and are the heartbeat of our school. Many of them have their children in our school right now or have had children already graduate from St. Theresa. We have some families who have four generations of Musketeers, and we are delighted to welcome them all back home on this day for a special Mass on our school grounds on Sunday afternoon with all our alumni and students and their families.

As we turn our attention to today's readings, they can seem a little intimidating as Christ talks about the last days and talks about the persecution that his followers will face. Even in the 21st century, we must be prepared to stand up for Christ and be prepared to be persecuted for his sake. That is something that Jesus guarantees in today's gospel for those who are faithful to him.

We will be mocked, persecuted, and hated all because of Him. The question is: Do we live our faith in such a way that we risk being persecuted for our beliefs? Are we up for this challenge?

If we look at other Christian denominations, they have no problem getting in people's faces with the message of Jesus Christ. Why can't we? It's like we live our lives embarrassed or ashamed to be Catholic when we should walk around with our heads held high because we have been given this glorious gift of our faith that allows us to come encounter Christ in the Eucharist every Sunday. We must all work towards the goal of shedding this, dare I say, wimpy practice of our faith and start working towards a more proactive practice of Catholicism. As St. Paul told the Thessalonians in today's second reading: "if anyone [is] unwilling to work, neither should that one eat. (2 Thes 3:10)" You want to sit at Christ's table? It's time to roll up your sleeves and start living out the faith we profess in the Creed we recite every Sunday. We need more tough Catholics who boldly live out their faith despite what the world throws at them. This is what the Church, what the world is crying for as it continues its decline into total secularism where God has no place and our faith becomes irrelevant. Who will stand up? Who will dare live their faith in such a way that they risk being persecuted for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ?

God Bless You All,

Fr. Manny



DEL ESCRITORIO DEL PARROCO

Mis Queridos Amigos,

Mis queridos amigos: Hoy es un día glorioso para nuestra escuela parroquial. El Arzobispo Wenski vendrá a celebrar oficialmente el Centenario de la Escuela, mientras continuamos con las celebraciones de nuestro centenario parroquial. Como sabrán, la escuela fue fundada el 15 de septiembre de 1925. Idealmente, nos hubiera encantado celebrar una Misa con la comunidad ese día o el domingo anterior, pero debido al calor del verano de septiembre, decidimos trasladar la Misa al clima otoñal, más agradable, que sin duda disfrutamos la semana pasada.

Damos la bienvenida no solo al Arzobispo Wenski, sino también a todos los sacerdotes, religiosos y maestros que han servido a Santa Teresa a lo largo de los años. Y también damos la bienvenida a nuestros maravillosos exalumnos, quienes se formaron en las venerables aulas de Santa Teresa y son el alma de nuestra escuela. Muchos de ellos tienen a sus hijos estudiando aquí o ya tienen hijos que se han graduado de la escuela. Tenemos familias con cuatro generaciones de alumnos, y nos alegra darles la bienvenida a casa hoy para una misa especial en nuestro colegio el domingo por la tarde, junto con todos nuestros exalumnos, alumnos y sus familias.

Al leer las lecturas dominicales de hoy, pueden resultar un poco intimidantes, ya que Cristo habla de los últimos días y de la persecución que sufrirán sus seguidores. Incluso en el siglo XXI, debemos estar preparados para defender a Cristo y ser perseguidos por su causa. Esto es algo que Jesús garantiza en el evangelio de hoy para quienes le son fieles.

Seremos ridiculizados, perseguidos y odiados por su causa. La pregunta es: ¿Vivimos nuestra fe de tal manera que nos arriesguemos a ser perseguidos por nuestras creencias? ¿Estamos preparados para este desafío?

Si observamos otras denominaciones cristianas, no tienen problema en llevar el mensaje de Jesucristo a la gente de forma directa. ¿Por qué nosotros no? Es como si viviéramos avergonzados de ser católicos, cuando deberíamos caminar con la frente en alto porque hemos recibido el glorioso don de la fe, que nos permite encontrarnos con Cristo en la Eucaristía cada domingo. Debemos esforzarnos por dejar atrás esta, me atrevería a decir, tibieza en la práctica de nuestra fe y comenzar a vivir el catolicismo de forma más activa. Como dijo San Pablo a los Tesalonicenses en la segunda lectura de hoy: «Si alguno no quiere trabajar, que tampoco coma» (2 Tes 3,10). ¿Quieres participar de la mesa de Cristo? Es hora de arremangarse y empezar a vivir la fe que profesamos en el Credo que recitamos cada domingo. Necesitamos más católicos firmes que vivan su fe con valentía, sin importar las adversidades. Esto es lo que la Iglesia, lo que el mundo anhela, mientras continúa su declive hacia el secularismo total, donde Dios no tiene cabida y nuestra fe se vuelve irrelevante. ¿Quién se alzará? ¿Quién se atreverá a vivir su fe de tal manera que arriesgue ser perseguido por causa de nuestro Señor Jesucristo?

Que Dios los bendiga a todos,



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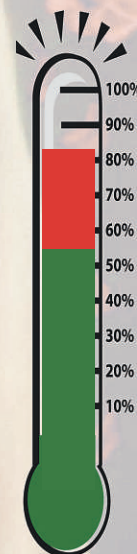
CAMPAIGN PROGRESS

CAMPAIGN GOAL: \$13,000,000

TOTAL PLEDGED: \$10,723,622.49 (82.49%)

TOTAL GIVEN: \$7,325,613.52 (56.35%)

Updated as of November 10th





2025 PARISH FAIR

THE 2025 COTLF-STs PARISH FAIR,
PROUDLY PRESENTED BY THE INDA-ROMERO LAW FIRM
WILL BE HELD DECEMBER 5TH – 7TH!

RIDE BRACELETS AND FOOD TICKETS PRE-SALE

The Parish Fair Pre-Sale is now open, with an opportunity to get 3-day ride bracelets (only available during pre-sale) or 1-Day bracelets and Food Tickets at the discounted rates!

VIP PARKING

Save yourself the trouble of hunting for a parking spot by purchasing a VIP Parking Pass, with exclusive access to the faculty parking lot along Sevilla Ave for all 3 days of the Parish Fair.

Only a limited number of spots are available, so secure your space now!

PARISH FAIR RAFFLE

The Parish Fair Raffle is back and promises to be even bigger and better than last year's with the return of our STS Grade Level ticket sales mini-competition!

We'll soon be announcing our lineup of amazing prize packages, so stay tuned.

CHRISTMAS CRAFTS WITH THE CARMELITES

Join our Carmelite Sisters for some Christmas crafts and caroling during this 40-minute interactive experience on Saturday, December 6th, at 4:00pm and 5:00pm! Drop off your child at the STS Cafeteria for this special event which includes snacks and refreshments for all participants. Each session is open to children ages 3-10 and will be limited to 50 kids per session.

SANTA CLAUS IS COMING TO TOWN!

Be at the blacktop dining area on Sunday, December 7th at 3:30pm as Santa makes a special visit to the Fair! The Coral Gables Fire Department is giving him a special ride as he comes to see YOU.

A special family photo opportunity will be available after his arrival.

SPONSORSHIPS STILL AVAILABLE

Limited sponsorships remain available. If you or your company would like to support the Parish Fair through a major sponsorship or through a donation for one of our raffle prizes, please contact Ashley Dominguez at adominguez@cotlf.org

Visit www.parishfair.org to learn about all we have to offer
at the 2025 COTLF-STs Parish Fair!





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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>





'TWAS THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS

Seraphic Fire celebrates a candle-lit Christmas singing timeless carols – The First Noel, Joy to the World, Silent Night – and a musical presentation of the famed 1823 American poem “’Twas the night before Christmas.” Join Conductor James Bass and Seraphic Fire for an a cappella program featuring audience-favorite Christmas classics, including O Come All Ye Faithful and Jesus Christ the Apple Tree.

FRI DEC 12, 8:00 PM, CHURCH OF THE LITTLE FLOWER

A Pre-Concert Conversation will be presented one hour prior to the performance. Tickets are on sale now at LFConcerts.org

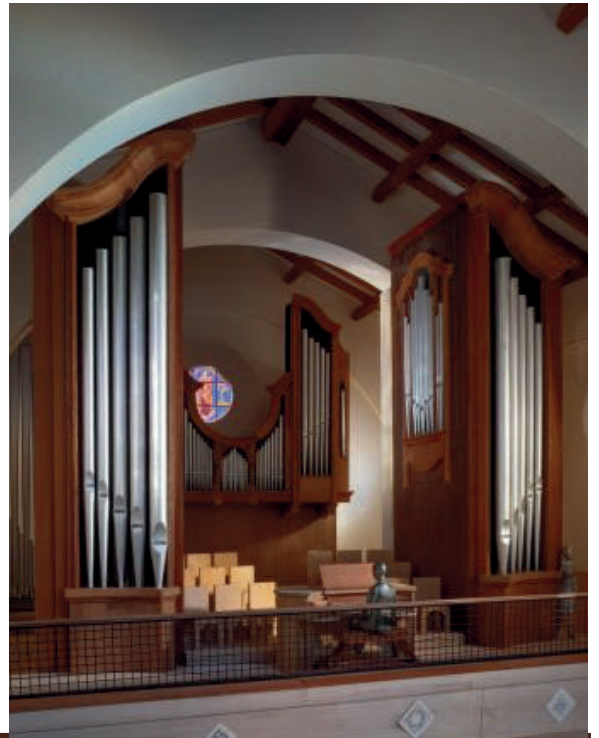
PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO BOSTON FOR THE GRAND UNVEILING OF FISK OPUS 166!

January 9-11, 2026

In January 2026, Father Manny and a few members of our staff will be traveling to Boston / Gloucester, Massachusetts to celebrate the completion of our centennial pipe organ, Fisk Opus 166.

We are currently working on an itinerary which will include visits to the Cathedral of the Holy Cross, the Fisk Organ at the Memorial Chapel at Harvard University, and the CB Fisk workshop for the Opus 166 Open House, where visitors will have the opportunity to see the new organ fully constructed and hear it played publicly for the very first time.

If you are interested in joining us on this unique parish pilgrimage, please contact Ivonne Davila at the Parish Office to be placed on the waiting list until trip details are finalized.



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2ND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND: CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

The Catholic Campaign for Human Development is the national anti-poverty program of the U.S. Catholic Bishops, working to carry out the mission of Jesus Christ "... to bring glad tidings to the poor ... liberty to captives ... sight to the blind, and let the oppressed go free." (Luke 4:18) The belief that those who are directly affected by unjust systems and structures have the best insight into knowing how to change them is central to CCHD. CCHD works to break the cycle of poverty by helping low-income people participate in decisions that affect their lives, families and communities. CCHD offers a hand up, not a hand out.

Please help support the Campaign for Human Development through the in-pew collection this weekend or give online now.





Catholic Kids Bulletin

November 16, 2025
Ordinary Time
Color: Green



Saint Elizabeth of Hungary

Saint Elizabeth of Hungary was a princess. She spent royal money to buy bread for the poor. Some people were mad because she was giving away bread.

When they came to yell at her, she opened her coat to show them that she didn't have any bread—it had turned into a bouquet of flowers!



How many loaves of bread can you find in the picture?



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The Lord
comes to rule
the earth with
justice.

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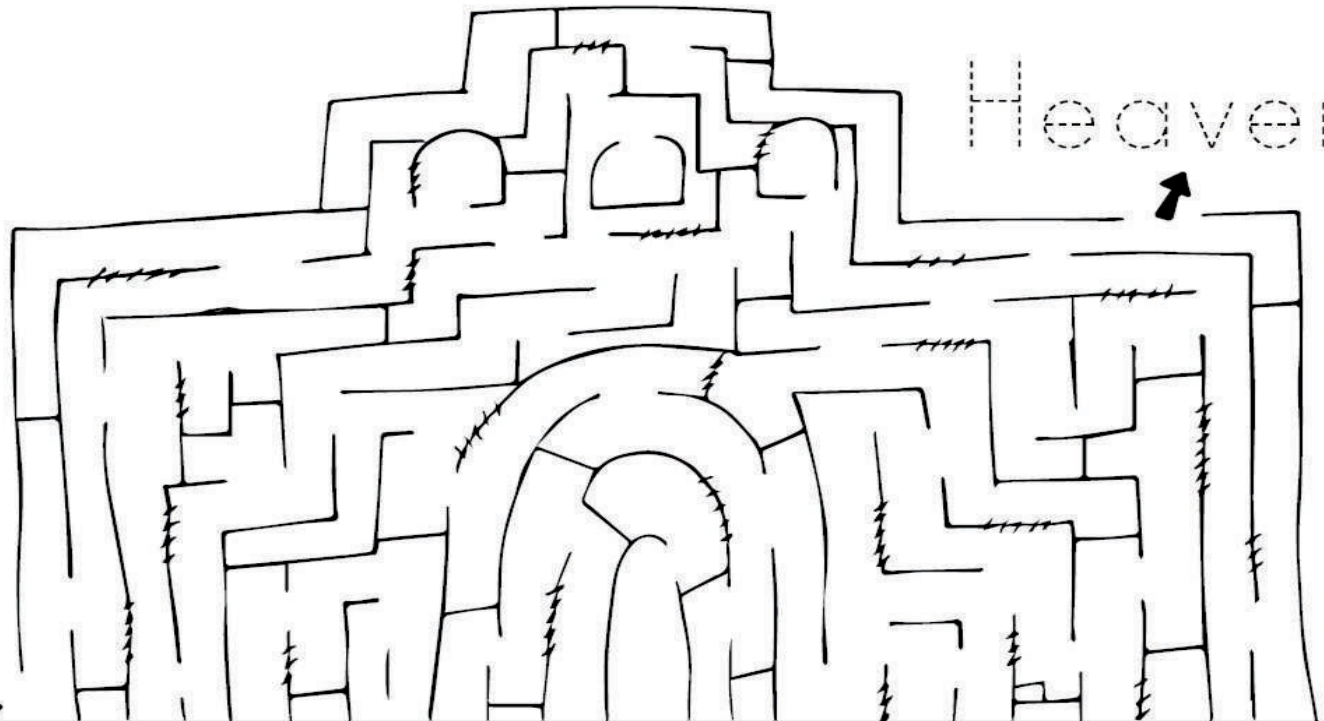
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The Lector reads from the
Lectionary from a stand
called the Ambo.



Heaven



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