



# St. Theresa

LITTLE FLOWER CATHOLIC CHURCH



*"A God who became so small could only be mercy and love"*  
- St. Theresa of the Infant Jesus

## HOLY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday- 4:00 PM *English* at *Blessed Sacrament Chapel*  
Sunday- 8:15 AM *Latin*  
10:45 AM *English*  
1:45 PM *Spanish* at *Blessed Sacrament Chapel*

Monday & Wednesday-Saturday- 8:15 AM  
Tuesday- 5:30 PM  
First Friday- 8:15 AM & 6:00 PM  
Holy Days- See Bulletin or Call the Office for Times

## CONFESSIONS

Monday -Friday- 3:30 PM - 4:00 PM  
Thursday - 3:30 PM - 4:00 PM & 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM  
Saturday - 7:30 - 8:00 AM  
3:30 PM - 3:45 PM at *Blessed Sacrament Chapel*  
*Confessions are also available by appointment.*

## ADORATION & DEVOTIONS

### *Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament:*

Thursday - 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM  
First Fridays - 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM

### *Holy Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet:*

Monday - Friday - 3:00 PM  
Saturday - 3:00 PM at *Blessed Sacrament Chapel*  
Sunday - Rosary before 8:15 & 10:45 Masses

### *Little Flower Novena:*

Thursday after Mass & after evening Benediction

## SACRAMENTS

**Baptisms** - Parents of children to be baptized must be registered parishioners for at least 3 months.

**Marriages** - Couples must contact Pastor 6 months prior to the desired wedding date.

**Sick Calls** - Anytime. Please let us know if someone is hospitalized or needs a home visit.

**Order of Christian Initiation of Adults** - please contact the DRE for information on becoming Catholic.

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# SUNDAY, JANUARY 12, 2025

## THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

### † Mass Intentions at *Little Flower Church*

Sunday, Jan. 12 – 8:15am †Magda Vieira  
 Sunday, Jan. 12 – 10:45am Pro Populo  
 Monday, Jan. 13 – 8:15am Pobres Almas (Poor Souls)  
 Tuesday, Jan. 14 – 5:30pm Intentions of Fr. Gonzalez  
 Wednesday, Jan. 15 – 8:15am Pobres Almas; Special Intention of Randall Terry; †Michael Griffith  
 Thursday, Jan. 16 – 8:15am Pobres Almas (Poor Souls)  
 Friday, Jan. 17 – 8:15am Pobres Almas (Poor Souls)  
 Saturday, Jan. 18 – 8:15am Int. of Familia Morales-Varela  
 Sunday, Jan. 19 – 8:15am Rigoberto Rodriguez y Familia  
 Sunday, Jan. 19 – 10:45am Pro Populo

### † Mass Intentions at *Blessed Sacrament Chapel*

Saturday, Jan. 11 – 4:00pm Pobres Almas; Xiaolei Huang; Amanda Ngo  
 Sunday, Jan. 12 – 1:45pm Pobres Almas (Poor Souls)  
 Saturday, Jan. 18 – 4:00pm Pobres Almas; Bill & Lynn Lifsey  
 Sunday, Jan. 19 – 1:45pm Pobres Almas (Poor Souls)

### Sunday Scripture Readings

1<sup>st</sup> - Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7  
 2<sup>nd</sup> - Acts 10:34-38  
 Gospel - Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

### Lecturas Biblicas Dominicales

1<sup>ra</sup> - Isaias 42, 1-4, 6-7  
 2<sup>da</sup> - Hechos 10, 34-38  
 Evangelio - Lucas 3, 15-16, 21-22

*And the Spirit of God was moving over the face of the waters.*

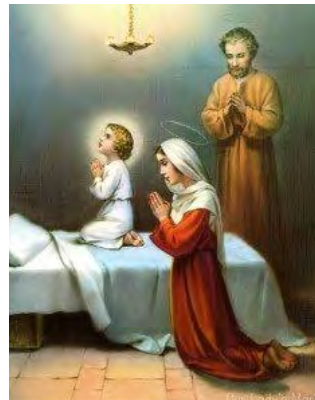


**GIVE HIM HIS DUE PRAISE:** Join us for Adoration every Thursday from 5 - 7 p.m. with confessions. Do not miss the time He gives us freely to return His love.

**VEN ADORAR A TU DIOS:** Tenemos adoracion todos los Jueves de 5 a 7 p.m. con oportunidad de confesarse. No gasten el tiempo que El nos ha dado.

### Remember in Your Prayers ~ Recuerde en Sus Oraciones:

Henry Olivi, Helen Johnson,  
 Lillie Burns, Ellen Hanser,  
 Laura Ramirez Feldman,  
 William "Bill" Germann,  
 Fr. Frank Phillips,  
 Rosangela Taverna, Leslie Xochipa.  
**To add names,  
 please call the Office.**



- Genesis 1:2

*The voice of the LORD is over the waters, the LORD, over vast waters.*

*The voice of the LORD is mighty; the voice of the LORD is majestic.*

- Psalm 29

**Weekly Offerings** Please see inserts for past collections.

**Today's 2nd Collection is for the St. Martin Society**

*"It is not a sin to have riches, but to fix your hearts upon them"*

- St. Jean Baptiste de la Salle

### Sanctuary Candle Dedication

The candles that burn before the Blessed Sacrament in red globes are weekly offerings to God for particular intentions. We have 2 week candles for \$20 and 1 week for \$10. Candle offering envelopes can be found in the votive candle stands.

### 2 Week Candles / Veladoras de 2 Semanas Little Flower / Santa Teresita:

1. For Peace in the World
2. For All Souls in Purgatory
3. For Wandering Souls

### Blessed Sacrament Chapel / Santisimo Sacramento:

1. For Unborn & Unbaptized Children



### Dedicación de la Vela del Santuario

Las velas que arden antes del Santísimo Sacramento en globos rojos son ofrendas con intenciones particulares. Tenemos velas de 2 semanas por \$20 y de 1 semana por \$10. Los sobres de ofrenda se pueden encontrar donde están las veladoras.

### 1 Week Candles / Veladoras de 1 Semana Little Flower / Santa Teresita:

1. For the Sanctification of All Priests especially Fr. Gonzalez & Fr. Cain
2. Murguia Cermeno Family

### Blessed Sacrament Chapel / Santisimo Sacramento:

1. The Conversion of Baptized Lukewarm Souls
2. En Memoria de Juan Carlos Coss Vargas



"The Christ Who came out of the water, as the earth had come out of the water at creation and after the Flood, as Moses and his people had come out of the waters of the Red Sea, was now glorified by the Holy Spirit appearing in the form of a Dove. The Spirit of God never appears in the figure of a Dove anywhere save here. The Book of Leviticus mentions offerings which were made according to the economic and social position of the giver. A man who could afford it would bring a bullock, and a poorer man would offer a lamb; but the poorest of all had the privilege of bringing doves. When the mother of Our Lord brought Him to the temple, her offering was a dove. The dove was the symbol of gentleness and peacefulness, but above all it was the type of sacrifice possible to the lowliest people. Whenever a Hebrew thought of a lamb or a dove, he immediately thought of a sacrifice for sin. Therefore, the Spirit descending upon Our Lord was for them a symbol of submission to sacrifice. Christ had already united Himself symbolically with man in baptism, in anticipation of His submergence into the waters of suffering; but now He was also crowned, dedicated, and consecrated to that sacrifice through the coming of the Spirit. The waters of the Jordan united Him with men, the Spirit crowned Him and dedicated Him to sacrifice, and the Voice attested that His sacrifice would be pleasing to the Eternal Father.

The seeds of the doctrine of the Trinity which were planted in the Old Testament began here to unfold."

- Venerable Fulton J. Sheen, *Life of Christ* (1958)



Join us Sundays from 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. or **starting this week: Tuesdays from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.** in this powerful 14-part series to discover the Gospel of Mark like never before. Immerse yourself in this action-packed Gospel that offers Saint Peter's account of Christ's life and teaching. With the insights of Dr. Tim Gray, this series will help you better understand and pray with St. Mark's Gospel



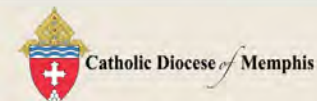
Sign up for our **St. Joseph Novena of Masses: March 11 - 19!** Nine masses will be offered for all enrolled. Please include a donation of \$50 or more. You may fill out a form or enroll a loved one at [littleflowermemphis.org/novena](http://littleflowermemphis.org/novena)

Saturday, January 18, 2025  
**Holy Hour 11:00 a.m.**  
 Blessed Sacrament Chapel  
 2564 Hale Ave.  
 Memphis, TN 38112  
**March 12:00-12:30 p.m.**

Celebrant: Fr. Yoelvis Gonzalez



Holy Hour and  
 March for Life



Diocese of Memphis Sanctity of Life Steering Committee

All are invited to a Holy Hour and March for Life on Saturday, January 18, 2025. The Holy Hour will begin at 11:00 a.m. at Blessed Sacrament Chapel, 2564 Hale Avenue with Fr. Gonzalez. The March will begin at 12:00 p.m. at Blessed Sacrament to Planned Parenthood at 2430 Poplar Avenue, Memphis. This event is sponsored by the Diocesan Sanctity of Life Steering Committee and precedes the Day of Prayer for the Protection of Unborn Children on January 22, 2025 and the National March for Life in Washington DC on January 24, 2025. For those who are interested, pro-life signs will be available at the church to be used during the march.





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### Holy Souls Memorial

*Requiescant In Pace*

- Msgr. James Whitfield
- Msgr. Joseph Leppert
- Deceased Priests, Parishioners, Alumni, and Benefactors of our Parishes
- Rolando Gonzalez
- Eladio Gonzalez
- Esperanza Llanes
- Allen & Armantine Keller
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