

# St. THERESA

LITTLE FLOWER CATHOLIC CHURCH

*"In the Heart of the Church, I will be love."*

*St. Theresa of the Infant Jesus*

*Celebrating the  
Centenary of the  
Canonization of  
St. Theresa  
of the  
Infant Jesus*

**1925 - 2025**

## HOLY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday- 4:00 PM *English at Blessed Sacrament Chapel*  
Sunday- 8:15 AM  
10:45 AM  
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*  
Sunday - 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM

## 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 and complete a baptism course

**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, JUNE 29, 2025

## SAINTS PETER & PAUL, APOSTLES



† **Mass Intentions at *Little Flower Church***  
Sunday, June 29 – 8:15am †Sergio Acciardo  
Sunday, June 29 – 10:45am Pro Populo  
Monday, June 30 – 8:15am Poor Souls  
Tuesday, July 1 – 5:30pm Pres. Trump & Administration  
Wednesday, July 2 – 8:15am Poor Souls; Conversion of USA;  
†Luis Miguel Melendez  
Thursday, July 3 - 8:15am Michael Lewandowski  
Friday, July 4 - 8:15am Holy Souls Memorial  
Friday, July 4 – 6:00pm In Reparation to the Sacred Heart  
Saturday, July 5 – 8:15am In Reparation to the Immac. Heart  
Sunday, July 6 – 8:15am Sanctification of LF Parish

This week is our  
Thursday Night  
Eucharistic Vigil  
and All-Day First  
Friday Adoration.

Be sure to sign in  
or find a replacement  
for yourself should you  
not be able to fulfill  
your commitment.

Come and Pray  
for America!



**Remember in Your Prayers - Recuerde en Sus Oraciones:**  
Shawn Canale, Xiomara Valldejuli, Vanessa Jones, Mary Blanchard, Deborah Ottawa, Henry Olivi, Helen Johnson

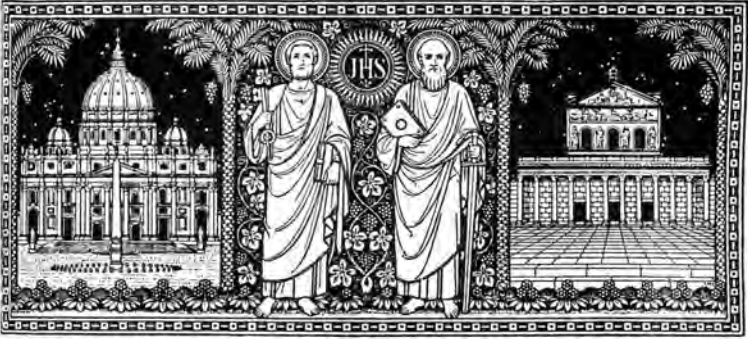
Contact the office to add names to our prayer list. .

**Sanctuary Candle Dedication**  
**Dedicación de la Vela del Santuario**  
Dedicate the candles that burn continually before the Blessed Sacrament for your intentions! 2 week candles for \$20 and 1 week for \$10. Offering envelopes are in the votive candle stands.  
**2 Week Candles / Veladoras de 2 Semanas**  
**Little Flower:** Familia Murguia Cermeno; Ben & Alma Jeter;  
† Juan Carlos Coss Vargas  
**Blessed Sacrament Chapel:**  
Conversion of America  
**1 Week Candles / Veladoras de 1 Semana**  
**Little Flower:** Conversion of Pres. Trump  
**Blessed Sacrament Chapel:** In Reparation to the Blessed Sacrament; For the Protection of Our Parish



Immaculate Mary, pray for the United States of America!

† **Mass Intentions at *Blessed Sacrament Chapel***  
Saturday, June 28 – 4:00pm Poor Souls; Pres. Trump Admin.;  
†Luis Miguel Melendez  
Sunday, June 29 – 1:45pm Vazquez-Guerrero Family  
Saturday, July 5 – 4:00pm Poor Souls; Pres. Trump Admin.  
†Luis Miguel Melendez  
†Maria del Refugio Guerrero  
Sunday, July 6 – 1:45pm



*“O God, who on the Solemnity of the Apostles Peter and Paul give us the noble and holy joy of this day, grant, we pray, that your Church may in all things follow the teaching of those through whom she received the beginnings of right religion...” from the Collect of Sts. Peter and Paul*

*May Sts. Peter and Paul pray for the Universal Church, for our Holy Father Pope Leo and for the Church in America*

<b>Weekly Offerings</b> <i>(Sunday June 15, 2025)</i> Fiscal Year 07/24 - 6/25		
<b>General:</b>	\$5,129.73	YTD: \$197,561.83
<b>Building:</b>	\$225	YTD: \$25,130
<b>St. Martin:</b>	\$220	YTD: \$30,518.52

**ST. JOSEPH’S PROJECTS COLLECTION:**  
Repairing our roof as we look forward to the 100 year anniversary of Little Flower parish. Campaign to Date Total as of this Fiscal Year: \$231,216.55

No Second Collection Today!

“Where God guides, He provides. What God orders, He pays for.”

**PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (PRE):**  
Packets will be available all summer in the vestibule.  
**Registration ends on August 3! Upcoming classes will be held between the 8:15 and 10:45 a.m. Masses** so that more parishioners can enroll their children. This is a unique opportunity to help strengthen the faith of your children alongside their peers in the parish. Even if you are homeschooling, this will greatly benefit your children and prepare them for a life rich in the truths of Our Faith!

**Parish Mission** - October 6-10 *in English*  
**Misión Parroquial** *en Español* - Octubre 13-17

Once Peter had made this heartfelt confession, the Lord ordained him Shepherd and Chief Pastor of His whole Church, and also promised to encompass him with such strength, that he who previously was unable even to stand being spoken to and questioned by a young girl (John 18:17), would endure unto death, even death on a cross. “Verily, verily, I say unto thee, When thou wast younger”, both physically and spiritually, “thou girdest thyself”, meaning, you used your own strength, “and walkest whither thou wouldest”, doing what you liked and living according to your natural inclinations. “But when thou shalt be old”, having reached the peak of your physical and spiritual age, “thou shalt stretch forth thy hands”. With these words, Christ indicates that Peter will die on a cross, and bears witness that his crucifixion will not be involuntary. “Thou shalt stretch forth thy hands, and another shall gird thee”, meaning strengthen, “and carry thee whither thou wouldest not”, that is to say, out of this life (cf. John 21:18). Our nature is unwilling to be dissolved in death, and Peter’s superhuman martyrdom also demonstrates our attitude as human beings to life. “Strengthened by Me”, Christ tells him, “you will willingly endure all these things for My sake and bear witness to Me; for the desire to do so is not natural but supernatural to human nature”...

[Paul] was put to death every day, or rather he was always dead, no longer alive himself, as he tells us, but having Christ living in him (Gal. 2:20). For love of Christ he not only counted everything in the present world as dung (Phil. 3:8), but even put things to come in second place compared to the Lord. “For I am persuaded”, he says, “that neither death, nor life, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord” (cf. Rom. 8:38-39). He had zeal for God, and was jealous over us with divine jealousy (2 Cor. 11:2). The only one to equal him in this was Peter, but hear how humble he is when he says of himself, “I am the least of the Apostles, that am not meet to be called an Apostle”(1 Cor. 15:9).

Given that Paul made the same confession of faith as Peter, and had the same zeal, humility and love, surely they received the same rewards from Him Who measures everything with completely just scales... That is why the Lord told Peter, “Thou art Peter and upon this rock I will build my church” (Matt. 16:18), whereas He said to Ananias of Paul, “He is a chosen vessel unto me, to bear my name before the Gentiles and kings” (Acts 9:15). Which name? Clearly the name we have been given, the name of Christ’s Church, which rests on the foundation stone of Peter. Notice that Peter and Paul are equal in prominence and glory, and both hold up the Church. Consequently the Church now bestows one and the same honor on both, and celebrates them together with equal esteem. As we consider the outcome of their lives, let us imitate how they lived, or at least how they were restored through humility and repentance, even if we cannot attain to their other great and exalted achievements...In fact, some aspects of their lives are probably impossible for anyone to imitate. Amendment through repentance, however, is more appropriate for us than for the great, since we all sin many times every day, and unless we lay hold of salvation through continuous repentance, we have no hope of it from any other source.

- From The Homilies of Saint Gregory Palamas





# Our Lady of Mount Carmel

## NOVENA OF MASSES

July 8th - 16th

### ENROLL TODAY

\$50 Donation to St. Theresa “Altar Society” to enroll a loved one in nine Masses seeking the intercession of Our Lady. Donations may be made either by check (payable to St. Theresa Church and write Altar Society in the memo), in the collection with the filled-in slip (available at Our Lady’s Altar), or online via the link below (please select Altar Society when donating). Enrollments must be received by next Sunday, July 6. Visit **LittleFlowerMemphis.org/novena** to enroll.







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- Eladio Gonzalez
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