

SUNDAY, JANUARY 18, 2025  
2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**† Mass Intentions at Little Flower**

- Sunday, Jan 18 – 8:15am
- Sunday, Jan 18 – 10:45am
- Monday, Jan 19 – 8:15am
- Tuesday, Jan 20 – 5:30pm
- Wednesday, Jan 21 – 8:15am
- Thursday, Jan 22 – 8:15am
- Friday, Jan 23 – 8:15am
- Saturday, Jan 24 – 8:15am
- Sunday, Jan 25 – 8:15am
- Sunday, Jan 25 – 10:45am

The Office will be closed this Monday, January 19th in observance of the federal holiday.



**Please Pray For:** Ashley & Kitty Hudson, Genny Lorenzo Garcia, Heriberto Ruiz, Benito Romeu, Shawn Canale, Jeanine Hilbert, Vanessa Jones, Helen Johnson, Shane Canale Jr., Michael Valdejuli, Ann Shorter, Whit and Carolyn Bell, Maya Roy

**BAPTISM REMINDER:** Parents and Godparents wishing to have a child baptized in the Parish **must attend a Baptism prep class here** at St. Theresa, offered on the First Saturday of each month from 9:30- 10:30 AM. Class **will not** be offered if no one is signed up. Please contact the DRE to schedule a class.

Parents must be *registered and active parishioners for a minimum of six months prior to the date of baptism*. Please check the website for more info.

**Sanctuary Candle Dedication**  
2 WEEKS: \$20 & 1 WEEK: \$10

Candles Burn This Week For:

- † Maria Marczyk
- Ryan and Laura Smith
- † Felicja Minko
- Charles Claxton
- † Juan Carlos Coss Vargas

Benefactors of the Parish  
Familia Ramos Frias en sus necesidades



**† Mass Intentions at Blessed Sacrament**

- Saturday, Jan 17 - 4:00pm
- Sunday, Jan 18 – 1:45pm
- Saturday, Jan 24 - 4:00pm
- Sunday, Jan 25 – 1:45pm



“ON WHOMEVER YOU SEE THE SPIRIT COME DOWN AND REMAIN, HE IS THE ONE WHO WILL BAPTIZE WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT.’ NOW I HAVE SEEN AND TESTIFIED THAT HE IS THE SON OF GOD.” - JOHN 1: 33-34

## LITTLE FLOWER SOCIETY

Ladies, join us this Saturday, January 24th for the Little Flower Society Meeting after the 8:15 AM Mass.

We meet every 4th Saturday of the month to invoke the powerful intercession of our patroness St. Theresa, the Little Flower of Jesus, and afterwards gather in Leppert Hall for food, fellowship, and a brief talk from Fr. Gonzalez on how to live a healthy spiritual life.



The Little Flower Society also contributes to helping make our church a beautiful place to worship God and make Him better known by all who enter our doors,

**Weekly Offerings (Sunday January 4, 2026)**

General:	\$4,150.73	YTD:	\$93,824.02
Building:	\$5,250	YTD:	\$13,841.78
St. Martin:	\$620	YTD:	\$24,470.24

**ST. JOSEPH'S PROJECTS COLLECTION:**

Repairing our church as we look forward to the 100 year anniversary of Little Flower parish. Campaign to Date Total as of this Fiscal Year: \$48,297

Second Collection is for St. Joseph's Projects

**J**ohn was the parting voice of the Old Testament, in which the lamb played such an important role. In Genesis, we find Abel offering a lamb, the firstling of his flock, in a bloody sacrifice for the expiation of sin. Later on, God asked Abraham to sacrifice his son Isaac—a prophetic symbol of the Heavenly Father sacrificing His own Son. When Isaac asked, “Where is the lamb?” Abraham said: *My son, God will see to it that there is a lamb to be sacrificed.* (Genesis 22:8) The answer to the question, “Where is the lamb of sacrifice?” asked in the beginning of Genesis, was now answered by John the Baptist as he pointed to Christ and said, “Here is the Lamb of God.” God had at last provided a Lamb. The Cross that had been defended in the wilderness during the temptations was now showing itself over the Jordan.



Every family sought to have its own Paschal Lamb; and those who were now taking their lambs to Jerusalem, where the Lamb of God said that He must be sacrificed, knew that the lamb was a symbol of Israel's deliverance from the political slavery of Egypt. John was saying that it was also a symbol of deliverance from the spiritual slavery of sin. The Lamb would come in the form of a man; for the prophet Isaias had foretold: *And God laid on His shoulders our guilt, The guilt of us all. A victim? Yet He Himself bows to the stroke; No word comes from Him.* (Isaias 53:7)

The lamb was most often used as a victim of sacrifice, because of its innocence and mildness; therefore, it was an emblem most suited to the character of the Messias. The fact that John the Baptist called Him the Lamb of God is most significant; He was neither the peoples' lamb, nor the lamb of the Jews, nor the lamb of any human owner, but the Lamb of God. When the Lamb was finally sacrificed, it was not because He was a victim of those who were stronger than Himself, but rather because He was fulfilling His willing duty of love for sinners. It was not man who offered this sacrifice, although it was man who slew the victim; it was God Who gave Himself.

-from “The Life of Christ” by Venerable Fulton J. Sheen

**CANDLEMAS:  
THE PRESENTATION  
OF THE LORD**

Monday, February 2

**HIGH MASS AT 6 PM**

Come celebrate the official close of the Christmas season with us. Bring candles which you will burn at home throughout the year to be blessed before Mass.



**Join us in the Prayer of the Universal Church to Christ her Bridegroom:** Lauds (*Morning Prayers*) are prayed on Sundays, Mondays, Fridays, and Saturdays at 7:15 AM. Vespers (*Evening Prayers*) are prayed on Monday, Thursday, and Fridays at 5:15 PM, and Tuesdays, after Mass, at 6:15 PM. The psalms are recited in Latin according to the ancient Benedictine Rule. We also have Benedictine Blessings after Mass on First Tuesdays of the Month. We pray the office together and meet in Leppert Hall for food and fellowship and Father discusses the Holy Rule and how to apply its wisdom to our lives.