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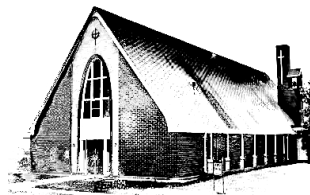


**ST. THERESE THE LITTLE FLOWER**

218 3RD STREET SE, RUGBY, ND

**ST. MARY'S**

129 S MORGAN STREET, KNOX, ND



**OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL**

301 MAIN STREET N, BALTA ND



**St. Therese Little Flower Parish**

Rectory: 776-6388  
Parish Office: 776-6388  
www.littleflowerrugby.org  
Office Hours: Tuesday - Friday 8am - 3pm

**Eucharistic Liturgies**

Saturday Vigil 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday 8:00 a.m.  
Sunday 10:30 a.m.  
Weekday Mass as scheduled on back page

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Tuesday 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.  
Saturday 8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.  
4:15 p.m. - 4:45 p.m.

**Eucharistic Adoration**

Monday 5:45 p.m. - midnight  
Tuesday 8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.  
Thursday 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

**If a funeral is scheduled at 11am adoration begins at 1pm; if a funeral is scheduled at 2pm adoration will be from 8am - noon.**

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD APRIL 5, 2026 THE HISTORIAN VOL. 41 NO. 14

*Message from our Pastor*

Dear Parishioners of Little Flower, Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, and St. Mary's,

Happy and blessed Easter to everyone!

"He is not here, for he has been raised just as he said" (Mt 28.6a). Our Blessed Lord is the hope of the world. For he has said "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die" (Jn 11: 25-26).

The "Living Stations" on Wednesday evening was a magnificent performance and very meaningful. The parishes are greatly blessed to have a talented and charitable CYO. Special thanks to all the adults who helped make it very special and everyone who attended the performance.

Little Flower will have a Divine Mercy Holy Hour on Sunday, April 12<sup>th</sup>, at 3:00 pm in the church. Jesus told St. Faustina that this Feast of Mercy would be a very special day when "all the divine floodgates through which graces flow are opened" (*Diary of St. Maria Faustina*, 699). Everyone is welcome!

Thank you to everyone in each parish who has helped make the Sacred Triduum incredibly special.

I will be leaving on vacation, Monday, April 6<sup>th</sup> and returning on Friday, April 10<sup>th</sup>.

May you have a blessed Easter Season!

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Fr. Frank Miller  
Pastor



**St. Mary's Parish  
Eucharistic Liturgy**

Sunday 8:30 a.m.



**Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish  
Eucharistic Liturgy**

Sunday 10:30 a.m.  
Wednesday 9:30 a.m.



**Infant Baptism**

Please contact priest before birth or selecting baptismal sponsors.

**Marriage Preparation**

Prior to setting a wedding date, at least six months in advance, please arrange a first meeting with one of our priests.

**New Parishioners**

Please register at the parish office 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. or contact the parish office.

**Communion to the Sick & Homebound**

Parish ministers bring the Holy Eucharist to the homebound and the hospitalized. Please call the parish office to arrange for visitation.

**Anointing of the Sick**

Please contact a priest when hospitalized or preparing for surgery or significant medical procedure.

**Bulletin announcement deadline:  
Noon on Wednesday**

# EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD



Fr. Miller will be away on vacation next week. Please keep him in your prayers for a safe, restful, and refreshing time away.

The Knights of Columbus monthly council meeting will be on Wednesday, April 8th at 7:00 PM in Dorothy's Room.

The St. Therese the Little Flower Conference of the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul will be meeting on Thursday, April 9 at 7:00 PM in Dorothy's Room.



The Feast of Divine Mercy will be celebrated on Sunday, April 12 with special services at Little Flower Church. Divine Mercy Devotions and Eucharistic Adoration will be held at 3:00 PM. The sacrament of Reconciliation will also be available. Please join us in celebrating our greatest gift from God, His Divine Mercy. **Per Saint Faustina's Diary, 1109— I want to grant a complete pardon to the souls that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion on the Feast of My mercy. Then He said to me, My daughter, fear nothing. I am always with you, even if it seems to you that I am not. Your humility draws Me down from My lofty throne, and I unite Myself closely with you.**

Thank you to all who chose to practice Lenten Almsgiving by giving to Catholic Charities North Dakota. We will be collecting boxes during the Easter Octave which ends on April 12th. Please drop off boxes at the parish or school office. Together we learned the importance of the Lenten practices of Praying, Fasting, and Giving to help those in need, close to home, in North Dakota.

## WEEKLY EVENTS

### Sunday, April 5

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

- Little Flower Mass 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM
- St. Mary's Mass 8:30 AM
- Our Lady of Mount Carmel Mass 10:30 AM

### Monday, April 6

- Little Flower Mass 7:30 AM and 5:15 PM
- Little Flower Adoration 5:45 PM - midnight

### Tuesday, April 7

- Little Flower Mass 7:30 AM
- Haaland Estates Mass 9:00 AM
- Adoration 8:00 AM - 8:00 PM
- Little Flower Confession 6:30 - 7:30 PM

### Wednesday, April 8

- Little Flower Mass 7:30 AM and 5:15 PM
- Our Lady of Mount Carmel Mass 9:30 AM
- Little Flower Prayer for Life 3:00 PM
- RE Little Way Classes 5:30 - 6:30 PM
- Buck A Luck meeting and class
- Knights of Columbus meeting 7:00 PM

### Thursday, April 9

- Little Flower Mass 7:30 AM
- Little Flower Adoration 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
- Haaland Estates Mass 9:00 AM
- Saint Vincent de Paul meeting 7:00 PM

### Friday, April 10

- Little Flower Mass 7:30 AM and 9:00 AM with a movie following in Dorothy's Room

### Saturday, April 11

- Little Flower Mass 8:00 AM
- Confession 8:30 - 10:30 AM; 4:15 - 4:45 PM
- Little Flower Vigil Mass 5:00 PM

### Sunday, April 12

Second Sunday of Easter—Sunday of Divine Mercy

- Little Flower Mass 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM
- St. Mary's Mass 8:30 AM
- Our Lady of Mount Carmel Mass 10:30 AM
- Divine Mercy Devotions 3:00 PM



Little Flower School Preschool thru 6th grade registration for the 2026-2027 school year is set for April 13th and 14th from 1:00 - 4:00 PM and April 15th from 1:00 to 5:30 PM in the school office. All denominations welcome!

The Catholic Daughters will meet on Thursday, April 16 with rosary at 5:00 PM followed by Mass and the meeting.

The Christian Mothers will be meeting on Thursday, April 16 at 7:00 PM. There will not be a Mass. April Circle is in charge of the refreshments.

Join us for **Bingo and Popcorn** on Sunday, April 19 at 2:00 PM in the Parish Hall. Enjoy food, fellowship, and maybe win a prize. Everyone is welcome.



Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, Balta, will be serving a pancake breakfast at the Rugby Eagles on Sunday, April 26. They will be serving pancakes, sausage, eggs, coffee, and juice from 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM. A bake sale will also be held, featuring a variety of homemade treats. Everyone is welcome. Come for good food and fellowship.

Due to retirement Little Flower Parish is seeking a Parish Secretary to support the daily operations of our parish office. This role includes greeting visitors, managing parish records, preparing weekly communications, and assisting the pastor and staff. The ideal candidate has organizational and multitasking skills, is detail-oriented, proficient with parish office software, basic financial recordkeeping, and familiar with Catholic parish life. To apply, submit a résumé to [franklin.miller@fargodiocese.org](mailto:franklin.miller@fargodiocese.org) or bring it to the parish office. Applications will be reviewed as they are received.

**St. Paul Lutheran Church, Rugby is hosting an Italian Night Supper on Saturday, April 18th from 4:00 - 7:00 PM.** They invite you to join them for lasagna, spaghetti, tortellini alfredo, salads, bread and desserts. Freewill offering. Dine in or carry out.

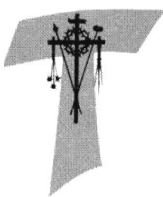
**Stewardship Moments**

*“Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth.”*

**COLOSSIANS 3:2**

Do you put God first in all things? Possessions, money, power, ego can easily become gods to many of us. Do a quick check of what is important to you. Is God at the very top of the list? If not, your priorities need to be re-adjusted. Don't let earthly things become a god before God. This is also the first commandment – I am the Lord your God, you shall not have any strange gods before me.

**Rachel's Vineyard Retreat: Hope and Healing April 17-19, 2026.** Have you, or someone you know, suffered from the physical, emotional, or spiritual effects of a past abortion? Rachel's Vineyard offers a safe, non-judgmental and confidential weekend retreat for anyone – including women, men, couples, grandparents or siblings - who struggle with the feelings of loss or guilt that can accompany an abortion experience. The weekend begins on Friday evening and concludes on Sunday afternoon. Two Rachel's Vineyard Retreats are scheduled for the Diocese of Fargo: April 17-19, 2026 and November 6-8, 2026. For more information, contact, Sherry at 701-520-1229 or Tim at 701-799-2051 or email [rvregister@yahoo.com](mailto:rvregister@yahoo.com). All inquiries are strictly confidential.



**A Franciscan Day of Reflection.** You are invited to join us on Saturday, April 18th for a Day of Reflection (in-person or online). This month's theme, as we continue our Franciscan Spiritual Pilgrimage, will be "Saint Francis Basilica". The event lasts from 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM. Register online at <https://forms.office.com/r/qvVtezHnt9> or contact Sr. Mary Ruth with questions at [smaryruth@sfcetreats.org](mailto:smaryruth@sfcetreats.org) / 701-242-7195.



**For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.**  
John 3:16

**STEWARDSHIP OFFERING**

	2026	2025
March 28-29		
Little Flower	\$7,157.78	\$5,131.00
March 29, 2026	Week	Year to Date
St. Mary's	\$444.00	\$3,019.24
OLMC		

**2026 GOD'S GIFT APPEAL**

Little Flower	Year to Date
Goal	\$62,558
Pledged	\$32,631
<b>St. Mary's</b>	
Goal	\$3,999
Pledged	\$2,883
<b>OLMC</b>	
Goal	\$8,934
Pledged	\$5,752

**St. Therese the Little Flower**

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**Parish Council**

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**Parish Music Ministry**

Susan Hoffert



**Our Lady of Mt. Carmel**

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Mass Schedule (LF-Little Flower; SM-St. Mary; OLMC-Our Lady of Mt. Carmel; HE-Haaland Estates; HOSP - Hospital)

**Monday, April 6**

7:30 AM (LF)  
5:15 PM (LF)  
5:45 PM (LF)

Acts 2:14, 22-33; Mt 28:8-15

† Delores Hager by Toni and Wayne Stevenson  
† Margaret Brossart by Mark and Deb Millang  
Adoration

**Tuesday, April 7**

7:30 AM (LF)  
8:00 AM (LF)  
9:00 AM (HE)

Acts 2:36-41; Jn 20:11-18

† Clemence, John, Matt, Alex Ebach by Mary Ebach  
Adoration  
† Richard Jundt by Chuck and Dorothy Hooker

**Wednesday, April 8**

7:30 AM (LF)  
9:30 AM (OLMC)  
5:15 PM (LF)

Acts 3:1-10; Lk 24:13-35

† Bernie Volk by Brian and Sue Blessum  
No Mass Scheduled  
† Kristina Murtaugh by the Pete and Mary Murtaugh Family

**Thursday, April 9**

7:30 AM (LF)  
8:00 AM (LF)  
9:00 AM (HE)  
10:30 AM (Hosp)

Acts 3:11-26; Lk 24:35-48

† Theresa Dahl by Anthony and Angie Deplazes  
Adoration  
† Larry Schumacker by Karen Hoffner  
No Mass Scheduled

**Friday, April 10**

7:30 AM (LF)  
9:00 AM (LF)

Acts 4:1-12; Jn 21:1-14

† Clayton Millang by his family  
† Mike Brossart by family and friends

**Saturday, April 11**

8:00 AM (LF)  
5:00 PM (LF)

Acts 4:13-21; Mk 16:9-15

† John Bohl by Deacon Rick and Denise Lagasse  
† Ed and Margaret Brossart by their family

**Sunday, April 12**

8:00 AM (LF)

Acts 2:42-47; 1 Pt 1:3-9; Jn 20:19-31 Sunday of Divine Mercy

In memory of Denise and prayerful support of Deacon Rick and Michael Lagasse by the St. Therese the Little Flower Conference of Saint Vincent de Paul

8:30 AM (SM)  
10:30 AM (LF)  
10:30 AM (OLMC)

Mass for the People

† Joe and Bernie Volk by Randy and Heidi Luraas  
† Curtis Bohl by Alice Bohl

The broadcast of the 8:00 AM Sunday Mass on 1450 KZZJ AM and 92.1 FM is sponsored by the St. Therese the Little Flower Conference of Saint Vincent de Paul in memory of Denise Lagasse and prayerful support of Deacon Rick and Michael Lagasse.

**SERVING OUR PARISHES APRIL 11-12**

St. Therese	Altar Servers	Lector	Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion			
5:00 PM Saturday	Volunteers Needed	Theone Stevenson	Dorice Duchscherer Marge Heilman			
8:00 AM Sunday	Braden Brossart Beric Brossart	Jennie Brossart	Chris Brossart			
10:30 AM Sunday	Chelsea Blessum Natalie Blessum Clare Livedalen	Royanne Livedalen	Joe Schmaltz Mary Schmaltz			
St. Mary	Sacristan/Reader	Altar Servers	Ushers	EMHC	Gifts	Church Cleaning
8:30 AM Sunday	Wanda Follman	Bryant Bohl Brookelynn Bohl	Adam Lynn Bohl Darrell Hoffart	Philip Volk	Bob and Diane Fritel	Adam & Twyla Bohl
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel	Lector	Altar Servers	EMHC	Church Care		
10:30 AM Sunday	Julie Baustad	Volunteers	Jennifer Heilman	Ron Kremer, Eric Kremer, LeeAllen Leier, Wayne Leier		