

THE PARISHES OF:

ST. THERESE THE LITTLE FLOWER

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ST. MARY'S

129 S MORGAN STREET, KNOX, ND

OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL

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St. Therese Little Flower Parish

Rectory: 776-6388
Parish Office: 776-6388
www.littleflowerrugby.org

Eucharistic Liturgies

Saturday Vigil 5:00 p.m. (Mass time will change to 7:30 PM if a wedding is scheduled)
Sunday 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.
Weekdays as scheduled on back page

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 9:00-10:30 a.m. & 4:00 - 4:45 p.m.
Sunday 7:00 - 7:45 a.m.
Thursday prior to 1st Friday 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Eucharistic Adoration

Mondays 5:45 p.m. - Midnight
Tuesdays 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.
Thursdays 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

If funeral is scheduled begins at 1:00 p.m.

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT DECEMBER 1, 2019 THE HISTORIAN VOL. 33 NO. 48



SPOTLIGHT ON MINISTRY

One ministry within Little Flower Parish that reaches out to the community is our annual Autumn Celebration. Women in the Rugby and surrounding area are invited to enjoy an evening of inspiration and beauty through music, poetry, and testimonies of faith. We encourage you to consider the Little Flower Ladies Choir; it is an opportunity to sing with women of all ages (including high school). Together we use our musical gift to bring the gift of Christ to others and to grow in friendship through the beauty of 3-part singing.

The attributes of God are truth, goodness, and beauty. The beauty of music is the way we mirror God to those around us—reflecting on who He is and drawing us and others closer to Him.

Join us at the Christmas Tea at First Lutheran on Monday,

December 2nd at 7:00 PM and experience our choir; it is our Christmas gift to all you ladies!



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 6:15 p.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. - 4:00 p.m. or contact the parish office.

Communion to the Sick and 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.

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

“Therefore, stay awake! For you do not know on which day your Lord will come.” MATTHEW 24:42 People who have had health issues or near-death experiences generally have a greater appreciation for each day being a gift from God. The rest of us usually take for granted that we will be around tomorrow. But when you start to look at each day as a gift, you realize all the little miracles that happen daily and grow in gratitude for all that we have been given. You begin to see God’s active presence in your life.



FORMED — The Catholic Faith on Demand

Lectio: Mary Episode 1 - The New Eve

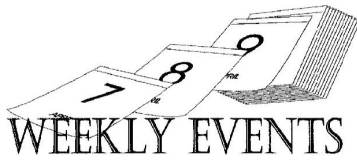
The New Fulfills the Old. The Book of Genesis begins with the story of Adam and Eve, whose sin of disobedience breaks their relationship with God. God does not abandon his people, but gradually prepares them for the coming of his Son, Jesus Christ. Jesus, the promised “seed” of Genesis 3:15 is the “New Adam,” and his mother, the promised “woman,” is the “New Eve.” Register by going to Formed.org and entering our parish code K7Z623 and then explore the many free Catholic selections.



FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT



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Sunday, December 1

First Sunday of Advent

- No LF Religious Ed Class
- Ladies Choir practice 7:00 PM

Monday, December 2

- Eucharistic Adoration 5:45 PM - midnight
- Ladies Choir practice 6:15 PM
- First Lutheran Christmas Tea 7:00 PM
- Prayer Group

Tuesday, December 3

- LF Eucharistic Adoration 8:00 AM - 11:00 PM

Wednesday, December 4

- Buck-A-Luck 6:00 PM; CYO 6:30 PM; Class 7:15 PM
- Our Lady of Mount Carmel Rel Ed 7:00 PM
- RCIA class 7:00 PM

Thursday, December 5

- LF Mass 7:30 AM
- HE Mass 9:15 AM
- LF Eucharistic Adoration 7:30 AM - 5:00 PM
- Confessions 1:00 - 3:00 PM
- Christian Mothers' Mass 7:00 PM followed by the meeting
- Saint Vincent de Paul meeting 7:00 PM

Friday, December 6

- Children's Mass at 9:00 AM with a movie following

Saturday, December 7

- LF Mass 8 AM with an Advent Presentation and discussion by Sr. Mary Ruth following

Sunday, December 8

Second Sunday of Advent

- Religious Retirement Fund Collection
- LF Religious Ed Class 9:15 AM
- LFS Christmas Program 2:00 PM
- CDA Potluck Christmas Party 4:00 PM

The Little Flower ladies choir will be singing for the Christmas Tea at First Lutheran Church on Monday, December 2 at 7:00 PM. Choir practice on December 1 will be at First Lutheran Church at 7:00 PM. We will meet at First Lutheran on December 2 at 6:15 PM to run through the song before the 7:00 PM event.

There will be a Christian Mothers' Mass and general meeting Thursday,

December 5. Rosary will begin at 6:40 PM followed by Mass and then the meeting. The April Circle is in charge of Mass preparation and refreshments.

There is an Advent spirit in the heart of every human person. It is one of longing, of yearning for fulfillment that somehow lies beyond ourselves; for we long for the coming of the Lord. Your heart will discover the true meaning of Christmas as you help those who are suffering and poor to long for the coming of the Lord. **The St. Therese the Little Flower Conference of the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul will meet on December 5 at 7:00 PM in Dorothy's Room.**

Join Sr. Mary Ruth after the Saturday 8:00 AM Mass on December 7th, 14th, and 21st for an Advent presentation and discussion in Dorothy's Room. Refreshments will be served. Everyone is welcome! Please contact Sr. Mary Ruth with any questions at 776-6866.

The Little Flower School Christmas Program is Sunday, December 8 at 2:00 PM in the Rugby High School Auditorium. Preschool and kindergarten children will begin the program with their own special songs; then the children in grades 1 - 6 will present the play *The Bells of Glocken*.

The Catholic Daughters' Potluck Christmas Party will be held at the Senior Center December 8 at 4:00 PM. Husbands and guests are welcome. Please bring a nonperishable food item for the Sisters of St. Francis' food pantry.

The Knights of Columbus monthly supper and council meeting will be Wednesday, December 11 at 6:00 PM.

You are invited to an Advent Day of Reflection on December 12 from 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM in the Msgr. Cloos Dining Room facilitated by Sr. Mary Ruth. There is a registration fee of \$10.00 which includes a noon meal. To preregister please call Vernice at 776-2322.

Little Flower Finance/Pastoral Council will meet Monday, December 16 at 7:00 PM.

Advent Reconciliation Services will be held at Little Flower Parish Wednesday, December 18 at 3:00 PM and 7:00 PM. Parishioners are encouraged to take advantage of this wonderful opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Several priests will be available. Please plan on being present at the beginning of each service. Other Penance services in the area include Bottineau, December 1 at 7:00 PM; Rolette, December 8 at 7:00 PM; Towner, December 9 at 7:00 PM; Harvey, December 19 at 7:00 PM.

Altar Servers, Weekend Mass Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers: The schedule for the months of January - May will soon be prepared. Please contact Debbie at the parish office (776-6388 or lfparish@gondtc.com) by **December 6** with the dates you are **not** able to serve in your respective ministries. **We are also in need of Altar Servers, Lectors, and Eucharistic Ministers for the Christmas Midnight Mass and the 9:00 AM Christmas Day Mass and the January 1 Solemnity of Mary Holy Day Vigil Mass on December 31 at 5:00 PM and Mass on January 1 at 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM. Your help is greatly appreciated.**

Christian Mother Circle Leaders: Please remember that church cleaning is to be done before Christmas. See the cleaning schedule in the Sacristy. Thank you, Monica Houim

Are you able to spend one hour in Eucharistic Adoration with our Lord? We need someone at 8:00 PM on Tuesday evening. Team up with a friend or family member to fulfill the commitment. Other times are also available. If you would like to participate in this devotion please contact the parish office at 776-6388.

Poinsettias for Christmas at Little Flower: Donations are being accepted to decorate our church for Christmas. Donations may be made in memory of loved ones. Please make checks payable to Little Flower Parish with a notation for flowers. Donation envelopes may be found in your envelope packets and may be placed in the weekend collection baskets or brought to the parish office.

Thank you Brynlee Zinck, Katelyn Mattern, Jessa Dosch, Paisley, Penn, Pius and Paxton Wangler and all those who helped with the Coins for Kids Collection last weekend. Your donation of \$434.18 will be used by the Little Flower School's 3rd and 4th graders to purchase gifts for Project Joy. Thank you for your donations.

Thanks to everyone at Little Flower Parish who participated in the 124th annual Black and Indian Mission Collection \$713.00 collected. Your prayerful support enables people to come to know Jesus Christ in African American, Native American, and Alaska Native communities all over the USA. Spreading the Gospel could not happen without your support.

Give in Thanksgiving. "The nuns left lasting impressions on me," writes a donor. "I shall always be grateful for my Catholic education." Please join in thanking the thousands of senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests who worked tirelessly to educate the young and serve those in need. **Please give to next week's Retirement Fund for Religious collection.** Special envelopes for this collection may be found in your envelope packets or in the pews next weekend. This collection helps hundreds of religious communities care for aging members. Please give generously.

Retrouvaille: Help for Hurting Marriages. Retrouvaille is an international, peer-run program that has helped hundreds of thousands of hurting married couples turn the tide, find new hope, and rediscover the love that initially brought them together. Surveys have shown that 3 out of 4 couples who complete the entire program are still married five years later with stronger, healthier marriages. Retrouvaille will be held locally **February 7-9, 2020** in Fargo. For more information visit HelpOurMarriage.com or contact them at (701) 356-7962 or via email at RedRiverRetrouvaille@fargodiocese.org.

BE PREPARED

Be prepared. It's that simple. As this Advent season opens before us, the Lord Jesus summons us to stand ready for his coming. At this time of year much of our attention is focused on being prepared for the details that accompany the holiday season. We purchase gifts; we decorate our homes, inside and out; we prepare foods that we eat only during the holidays; we write and send Christmas cards; we attend holiday concerts; we prepare either to welcome family and friends into our homes or arrange for visits to their homes. We really can't escape the details that make up the season. Perhaps this Advent is a time to attend to all those details with a different spin. As we prepare to celebrate the feast of Christmas, why not be deliberate about acknowledging the presence of the Lord as we go about these tasks? The Lord often comes to us in wonderfully surprising ways. Let us be prepared.

STEWARDSHIP OFFERING NOVEMBER 23/24

Little Flower Parish	Week	Year to Date
Budgeted	\$9,742.00	\$438,390.00
Little Flower Parish	\$6,505.25	\$351,446.18
Increase/Decrease (+ or -)	-3,236.75	-86,943.82
50 Cents a Day Charity	\$	\$1,796.82
Children's Envelopes	\$19.50	\$1,120.79
St. Mary's	\$480.50	\$20,719.11
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel	\$353.00	\$30,796.08

2019 GOD'S GIFT APPEAL CAMPAIGN

Little Flower Parish	Year to Date
Goal	\$56,245
Pledged	\$46,754
St. Mary's	
Goal	\$4,950
Pledged	\$3,595
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel	
Goal	\$8,176
Pledged	\$8,179

St. Therese the Little Flower

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- Anderson Funeral Home of Rugby & Towner
- Bartsch Electric
- Berube Crop Insurance
- Black Thunder Woodworks
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- H. E. Everson Co. Auto Parts & Supplies
- Harper Oil
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- Rugby Broadcasters KZZJ & KKWZ
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- Mike Swanson Construction
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- Rugby Hardware Hank
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- Rugby Veterinary Service, PC
- St. Michel Furniture
- Schneider Aerial, Inc.
- Voeller Crop Insurance

For information about becoming a sponsor of the Little Flower Historian please contact Heidi in the business office at 776-6388.



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

- Monday, December 2** Is 4:2-6; Mt 8:5-11
 7:30 AM (LF) † Ruby Benz by Anthony and Angie Deplazes
 5:15 PM (LF) † Art Buchl by Elaine Kraft and family
- Tuesday, December 3** Is 11:1-10; Lk 10:21-24 Saint Francis Xavier
 7:30 AM (LF) † Elizabeth Angstadt by Don and Regina Hoffert
 9:15 AM (HE) † Beatrice Schall by the Catholic Daughters (Rosary at 9:00 AM)
- Wednesday, December 4** Is 25:6-10; Mt 15:29-37 Saint John Damascene
 7:15 AM (Convent) † Wendy Cote by Deacon Rick and Denise Lagasse
 10:00 AM (HOSP) † Elizabeth (Liz) Carlson by Mike and Vernice Brossart
 5:15 PM (LF) † Joe Tuchscherer by Home Eucharistic Ministers
 6:15 PM (OLMC) † Ed Heilman by Richard, Diane, Mike, Molly and John Jundt
- Thursday, December 5** Is 26:1-6; Mt 7:21, 24-27
 7:30 AM (LF) † David Wurgler by Deacon Rick and Denise Lagasse
 9:15 AM (HE) † Marie Selensky by Rose Selensky (Rosary at 9:00 AM)
 7:00 PM (LF) Christian Mothers by the Christian Mothers
- Friday, December 6** Is 29:17-24; Mt 9:27-31 Saint Nicholas
 7:30 AM (LF) † Darlene Zacher by the Catholic Daughters
 9:00 AM (LF) † Frank L. Brossart by Clem and Marian Schmaltz
- Saturday, December 7** Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Mt 9:35 - 10:1, 5, 6-8
 8:00 AM (LF) † Roy Pfeifer by his family
 5:00 PM (LF) † Edie Schell by Bertha Schell and Andy and Deanne Fedje
- Sunday, December 8** Is 11:1-10; Rm 15:4-9; Mt 3:1-12 Second Sunday of Advent
 8:00 AM (LF) † Terri Levitt by Barbara, Myron and Walter Burgard
 8:30 AM (SM) † Gene Howard by Ed Volk
 10:30 AM (LF) Mass for the Parish
 10:30 AM (OLMC) † Pius and Regardia Schaan by Mary Barth Family

The broadcast of the 8:00 AM Sunday Mass on KZZJ 1450 AM and 92.1 FM is sponsored in memory of Terri Levitt by Barbara, Myron and Walter Burgard.



First Sunday of Advent

SERVING OUR PARISHES DECEMBER 7/8

St. Therese	Altar Servers	Lector	Eucharist Minister	Family Offertory		
5:00 PM Saturday	Volunteers Needed	Theone Stevenson	Diane Dufner (Homes) Myrna Baumann (Church)			
8:00 AM Sunday	Katelyn Duchscher Andrew Duchscher	Rob St. Michel	Mark Johnson (Hosp) Rita Graber (HE) Vernice Brossart (Homes)			
10:30 AM Sunday	Samantha Blessum Royanne Livedalen Carter Teigen	Rebekah Wangler	Joe Schmaltz Mary Schmaltz Lori Tangen	Dean and Sara Selensky		
St. Mary	Sacristan/Reader	Altar Servers	Ushers	Eucharist	Gifts	Church Care
8:30 AM Sunday	Jennifer Brossart Tyson Follman	Carson Bohl Thatcher Volk	Chris Brossart Jay Bosch	Phil Volk Wanda Follman	Tim Sattler Family	Mark Hoffert Family Blaine Pfeifer Family
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel	Lector	Altar Servers	Eucharist Minister	Church Care		
10:30 AM Sunday	Jeni Heilman	Harper Senechal Hannah Senechal	Marlene Schaan	Steve Wentz, Joe Axtman, Cletus Axtman, Leo Adam		