

THE PARISHES OF:

ST. THERESE THE LITTLE FLOWER

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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. - 9:00 p.m.
Thursdays 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

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

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT DECEMBER 22, 2019 THE HISTORIAN VOL. 33 NO. 51



SPOTLIGHT ON MINISTRY



Here at Little Flower Parish, we are fortunate to have many talented musicians to provide music for our Masses and celebrations. Included in that group are four organists/pianists who serve our parish. Our organists provide music for the three regular weekend Masses, holy days, as well as other special Masses. It is typically the organists responsibility to choose the music for each Mass. I know I speak for my fellow organists in saying that we really do try our best to be sure that the music we choose reflects the season of the year, the message of the readings, as well as the specific parts of the liturgy.

Being a church musician has expanded my knowledge of the liturgy of the Mass and the meanings behind the traditions and rituals. The beautiful melodies and texts of the songs we sing enhances the experience of the Mass for everyone. Anyone who likes to sing or play an instrument is invited to become a part of our music ministry family!



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

"When Joseph awoke, he did as the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took his wife into his home." Matthew 1:24 Putting our complete trust in the Lord without expecting anything in return. Striving to put God first in all things and follow Him wherever He may lead us. As we prepare for the birth of our Lord, pray for the strength and courage to be a model of discipleship, just as Joseph was.



FORMED — The Catholic Faith on Demand The Story of the Nativity

Understanding the Full Story of Jesus' Birth. The birth of Jesus is often misunderstood, but this fast-paced, thought-provoking look at the true story of the Nativity clarifies widespread misunderstandings of Jesus' origin. Join top scholars, inspirational speakers, and popular authors as they explain the story behind the story of the birth of Jesus. Register by going to Formed.org and entering our parish code K7Z623 and then explore the many free Catholic selections.

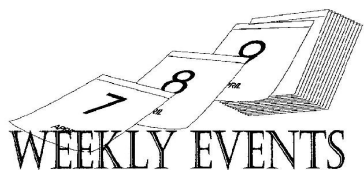


FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



The virgin
shall
conceive,
and bear
a
Son

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Sunday, December 22

Fourth Sunday of Advent

- LF Religious Ed Christmas Program 9:00 AM
- St. Mary's Christmas Program after Mass
- The Children's Christmas Eve 4:00 PM Mass practice at 11:45

Monday, December 23

- Eucharistic Adoration 5:45 PM - midnight

Tuesday, December 24

- No Eucharistic Adoration
- LF Mass 7:30 AM
- HE Mass 9:15 AM
- LF Children's Mass 4:00 PM

Wednesday, December 25

The Nativity of the Lord

- LF Midnight Mass
- SM Mass 8:30 AM
- LF Mass 9:00 AM
- OLMC Mass 10:30 AM
- No LF Religious Ed
- No Our Lady of Mount Carmel Rel Ed
- No RCIA class

Thursday, December 26

- LF Eucharistic Adoration 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Sunday, December 29

- **The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph**
- Birthday Blessings Fr. Frank
- No LF Religious Ed
- Coins for Kids Collection - Catholic Schools Week

Little Flower Sunday School students will present *The Best Thing About Christmas* at the Little Flower Family Christmas Program on Sunday, December 22 at 9:00 AM in the Parish Hall; make plans to join us for childrens carols, Christmas cookies, crafts and pictures with the "Advent Angel."

The St. Mary's Christmas Program and "pot bless" meal to share afterward, will be on December 22 following the 8:30 Mass. Please bring a dish to pass. Church decorating will also be enjoyed that day.

The Children's Christmas Mass will be celebrated at 4:00 PM on Tuesday, December 24, Christmas Eve. **There will be Mass practice at 11:45 on Sunday, December 22 for all children who would like to participate in the Children's Christmas Mass.** We welcome children to have a part in the procession, in the choir, as ushers, presenting the offertory or as readers. Letters will be going home with the children. If you have any questions please call Glenda Mack at 776-5179 or Rebecca Leier at 776-6388.

Serving Little Flower Parish on Christmas and the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

Midnight Mass:

Lector: Judge Michael Hurly

Eucharistic Ministers: Deacon Rick Lagasse, Myrna Baumann, Deb Black, Angie Busch, Diane Leier, Kathy Heilman

Altar Servers: **Volunteers are needed**

Christmas Day 9:00 AM

Lector: Chuck Teigen

Eucharistic Ministers: Mark Johnson, Diane Dufner

Altar Servers: Carter Teigen, **another altar server is needed**

December 31 at 5:00 PM

Lector: Chuck Teigen

Eucharistic Ministers: Diane Dufner and Joyce Teigen

Altar Servers: **Volunteers are needed**

January 1 at 8:00 AM

Lector: Denise Lagasse

Eucharistic Ministers: Rosie Schneibel **another volunteer is needed**

Altar Servers: **Volunteers are needed**

January 1 at 10:30 AM

Lector: Lori Tangen

Eucharistic Ministers: Vernice Brossart, Bob Wilmot, Angie Busch

Altar Servers: Carter Teigen **another altar server is needed**

The Holy Family Christmas Tree: Parish Families are welcomed to celebrate Advent with the Holy Family by hanging a picture of their own family on the "Holy Family Christmas Tree." The tree is located downstairs in the small dining room. Ribbon and a hole punch are located on the table next to the tree. The tree will remain up through the Feast of the Holy Family on December 29. So, we encourage all families to celebrate the holiness of their own family and add a picture to our parish celebration tree.

In today's Gospel, we hear that Jesus will be named Emmanuel, which means "God is with us." The mystery of the birth of Jesus is supremely a mystery of love. May each Christmas find us more and more like him: more humble, more holy, more happy and more full of the grace of God. Your gifts to the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul help those who are poor and suffering to find Emmanuel so they also can come to know that "God is with us." **The St. Therese the Little Flower Conference of the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul will meet on January 9 at 7:00 PM in Dorothy's Room.**

End of year donations: Thank you for your generosity and monetary contributions to our parishes during the past year. All additional donations and contributions which you would like claimed in the 2019 fiscal year must be received by the December 29 weekend collection in order to be recorded on our records. Please be sure to include any Special Collection contributions you overlooked during the year but want to include.

Life in the Spirit Retreat at St. Cecilia's, Harvey. Deepen your relationship with the third person of the Blessed Trinity and awaken the gifts of the Holy Spirit in your life. **January 10-12, 2020** (registration begins at 6pm, seminar begins at 7pm on Friday and finishes at 3pm on Sunday) **Weekend includes:** Mass; Praise & Worship; Talks & Testimonies; Small Group Discussion; Eucharistic Adoration; Healing of Hurtful Memories. **Cost:** free will offering. Pre-registration appreciated by January 7. Register at raxtman@gondtc.com or call 701-324-2706 or the parish office at 324-2144, stcecilia@gondtc.com.

Housing: Cobblestone Inn: 701-635-2222; R & R Motel: 701-324-2271; Artos Motel: 701-324-4602. *There is a block of rooms set aside at the Cobblestone with a rate of 89.99. Please mention group name of Life in the Spirit. Cut-off date is January 4.* No cost housing available in St. Cecilia's Social Center or in private homes. Please contact Rosalie prior to the weekend for arrangements using the email or phone numbers listed above.

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.

WOMEN – THIS ONE IS FOR YOU! Redeemed 2020 Conference – *Trusted Sisters: Blessed to be a Blessing; Becoming the Woman God Created You to Be!* The conference begins Friday evening, March 27th at the Fargo Avalon Events Center. The Vigil Project, through sacred music and personal testimonies, will guide you in worshipping Our Lord during Eucharistic Adoration, followed by a social hour. Saturday, March 28th, you will gain a new perspective on your femininity in relation to God and others through speakers, as well as Mass with Bishop Folda, confession, and fellowship with other women. For details and to register go to fargodiocese.org/redeemedwomen. **Register by March 1, \$50 (after March 1, \$75). All food and refreshments included.**

SUMMONED BY GOD

As Christmas draws near, Advent's scriptures lure us into a world of dreams, signs, wonders, and the miracle of the virgin birth. Too often we allow the great stories of our faith, the ones that are most familiar, simply to wash over us. Today's Gospel account of the events leading up to the birth of the Lord reads like a present-day soap opera. Yet Joseph's courage, even in the midst of what must have been an incredibly confusing time, provides a model for us. Each week, we are summoned by God to embrace the way of goodness and truth through the proclamation of God's holy word. Like Joseph, we are called to do as the Lord commands us. As we stand at the threshold of Christmas, let us have the courage to be open to whatever it is that the Lord will require of us as we celebrate the miracle of Bethlehem.

STEWARDSHIP OFFERING DECEMBER 14/15

Little Flower Parish	Week	Year to Date
Budgeted	\$9,742.00	\$467,616.00
Little Flower Parish	\$13,757.25	\$381,296.79
Increase/Decrease (+ or -)	+4,015.25	-86,319.21
50 Cents a Day Charity	\$	\$1,164.54
Children's Envelopes	\$18.00	\$1,146.54
St. Mary's (12/8 & 12/15)	\$838.54	\$21,936.65
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel (12/8 and 12/15)	\$2814.00	\$33,938.08

2019 GOD'S GIFT APPEAL CAMPAIGN

Little Flower Parish	Year to Date
Goal	\$56,245
Pledged	\$49,691
St. Mary's	
Goal	\$4,950
Pledged	\$3,595
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel	
Goal	\$8,176
Pledged	\$8,199

St. Therese the Little Flower

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Ramsey Bank

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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 23

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

Mal 3:1-4, 23-24; Lk 1:57-66 Saint John of Kanty
† Madeline Solem by Tim and Sandy Wolf
† Deceased relatives of Joan and Harold Volk

Tuesday, December 24

7:30 AM (LF)
9:15 AM (HE)

2 Sm 7:1-5, 8-12, 14, 16; Lk 1:67-79
† Lois Schaan by Randy and Debbie Meduna
† Ed Heilman by Diane Dodd and Nick Schall (Rosary at 9:00 AM)
Is 62:1-5; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25
Intention of the Priest

4:00 PM (LF)

The broadcast of the 4:00 PM Mass on KZZJ 1450 AM and 92.1 FM is sponsored by Anderson's Funeral Home of Rugby and Towner and St. Michel's Furniture

Wednesday, December 25

12:00 AM (LF)

Is 9:1-6; Ti 2:11-14; Lk 2:1-14

† Raymond and Rosanna Heilman by Harry and Connie Graaf

The broadcast of the Midnight Mass on KZZJ 1450 AM and 92.1 FM is sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Fourth Degree

9:00 AM (LF)

Is 52:7-10; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18

Mass for the Parish

8:30 AM (SM)

† Darlene Zacher by Gerry and Karen Schumacher

10:30 AM (OLMC)

† Betty Angstadt by her family

Thursday, December 26

7:30 AM (LF)

Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Mt 10:17-22 Saint Stephen

† John and Marie Selensky by Eleanore and Marlene Grad

9:15 AM (HE)

† Beatrice Hamnes by Ed and Elaine Selensky (Rosary at 9:00 AM)

Friday, December 27

7:30 AM (LF)

1 Jn 1:1-4; Jn 20:1 & 2-8 Saint John

† Daniel Vetsch by Deacon Rick and Denise Lagasse

9:00 AM (LF)

Birthday Blessings for Fr. Frank

Saturday, December 28

8:00 AM (LF)

1 Jn 1:5-2:2; Mt 2:13-18 The Holy Innocents

† Rose Hager by Deacon Rick and Denise Lagasse

5:00 PM (LF)

† Joe Tuchscherer by Clem and Marian Schmaltz

Sunday, December 29

8:00 AM (LF)

Sir 3:2-6, 12-14; Col 3:12-21; Mt 2:13-15, 19-23 The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

† Bruce Baumann by Myrna Baumann and family

8:30 AM (SM)

† Frank L. Brossart by Della Kraft

10:30 AM (LF)

Mass for the Parish

10:30 AM (OLMC)

† Don Vetsch by Duane and Jeni Heilman

The broadcast of the 8:00 AM Sunday Mass on KZZJ 1450 AM and 92.1 FM is sponsored in memory of Bruce Baumann by Myrna Baumann and family.

SERVING OUR PARISHES DECEMBER 28/29

St. Therese	Altar Servers	Lector	Eucharist Minister	Family Offertory		
5:00 PM Saturday	Allison Selensky Amber Selensky	Kathleen Heilman	Diane Dufner (Homes) Diane Leier (Church)			
8:00 AM Sunday	Katelyn Duchscher Andrew Duchscher	Cassie Duchscher	Mark Johnson (Hosp) Denise Lagasse (HE) Vernice Brossart (Homes)			
10:30 AM Sunday	Samantha Blessum Tallie Dosch Beth Schmaltz	Nicholas Schmaltz	Brian Blessum Sue Blessum Angie Busch	Riley and Erin Schaan		
St. Mary	Sacristan/Reader	Altar Servers	Ushers	Eucharist	Gifts	Church Care
8:30 AM Sunday	Jennifer Brossart Tyson Follman	Collyn Bosch Isaac Volk	Chris Brossart Jay Bosch	Phil Volk Wanda Follman	Phil Volk 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	Kenley Heilman Emma Shively	Jennifer Heilman	Steve Wentz, Joe Axtman, Cletus Axtman, Leo Adam		
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel	Lector	Altar Servers	Eucharist Minister			
10:30 AM Christmas Day	Julie Baustad	Alyssa Peterson Alex Berndt	Ken Schaan			

