

ST. THERESE THE LITTLE FLOWER

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ST. MARY



St. Therese Little Flower Parish

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Eucharistic Liturgies

Saturday Vigil 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.
Weekdays as scheduled on back page
(Mass of the day in the church will be canceled when a funeral Mass is scheduled)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 9 - 10:30 a.m. & 4:00 - 4:45 p.m.
Sunday 7:00 - 7:45 a.m.

Eucharistic Adoration

Mondays 5:30 p.m. - Midnight
Tuesdays 7:30 a.m. - 11:00 p.m.
Thursdays 7:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

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

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ADVENT ABCs

If motivation is the key to success, then the season of Advent starts our liturgical year out right by focusing our attention on the ultimate reason for our hope and all we do as Christians. The first reading and the Gospel reassure us that the Messiah will cover the earth in justice at the end of time. This may be a frightening prospect to those who are blameworthy, but to the Lord's "holy ones" it is a reason to "stand erect and raise your heads because your redemption is at hand" (Luke 21:28).

The scriptures also reveal the ABCs of arriving at our goal. In the full text of today's psalm each verse starts with a successive letter of the Hebrew alphabet—from "A" to "Z." That made it easy to learn by heart the psalm's instruction on following God's way of faithful love. Today's New Testament scriptures also instruct us in what we must do "to be blameless in holiness ... at the coming of our Lord Jesus" (1 Thessalonians 3:13).

"COME, LORD JESUS!"

We are to "be vigilant," expecting Christ to come into our lives at every moment. We are to "abound in love for one another," working constantly for the coming of Christ's love into our relationships and communities. And we are to "stand erect" and pray without fear for the coming of the end of time, when the Lord Jesus will come bringing perfect justice and peace. Christians in the first centuries of the church prayed the acclamation, "Come, Lord Jesus!" The Advent season invites us to enter into this spirit of hopeful expectation for the "advent" of Christ's reign.

During this season of Advent we remember Jesus' first coming in time, we anticipate Christ's coming at the end of time, and we pray with hopeful expectation for our lives right now: "Come, Lord Jesus!" Copyright © 2005, World Library Publications. All rights reserved.



St. Mary Parish, Knox

Eucharistic Liturgy
Sunday 9:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Sunday 8:00 - 8:45 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. - 4:00 p.m. or contact the parish office.

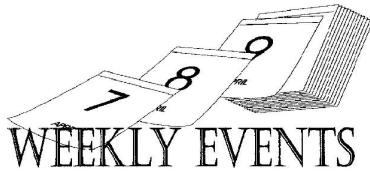
Communion to the Sick and Homebound

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.

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT



Sunday, December 2

First Sunday of Advent

- LF Religious Ed Class 9:15
- St. Mary Religious Ed Class

Monday, December 3

- Eucharistic Adoration 5:30 PM - midnight

Tuesday, December 4

- Eucharistic Adoration 7:30 AM - 11:00 PM
- LF Pastoral Council Meeting 7:00 PM

Wednesday, December 5

- Buck-A-Luck/CYO 6:00 PM; Class 7:15 PM
- RCIA 7:00 PM

Thursday, December 6

- No 7:00 AM Daily Mass
- Eucharistic Adoration 7:30 AM - 6:00 PM
- Confession 1:00 - 5:00 PM
- LF 4H 3:30 - 8:00 PM
- Christian Mothers' Mass and mtg 7:00 PM

Friday, December 7

- "Mass and a Movie" Daily Mass at 9:00 AM; The movie *Solomon* following Mass in Dorothy's Room
- **Feast of the Immaculate Conception Holy Day Vigil Mass 5:30 PM at Little Flower and St. Mary's**

Saturday, December 8

Feast of the Immaculate Conception

- Holy Day Mass 9:00 AM at Little Flower
- Confession 8:00 - 8:45; 10:00 - 10:30 AM

Sunday, December 9

Second Sunday of Advent

- Retirement Fund for Religious Collection
- LF Religious Ed 9:15 AM
- SM Religious Education
- LFS "Miracle at Midnight" 2:00 PM at RHS
- CDA Potluck Christmas Party 4:00 PM

The Little Flower Pastoral Council will meet Tuesday, December 4 at 7:00 PM.

Buck-A-Luck/CYO will be Wednesday, December 5 at 6:00 PM.

There will be a **Christian Mothers' Mass and Meeting on Thursday, December 6.** Rosary will begin at 6:40 PM followed by Mass and then the meeting. The September Circle is in charge of Mass preparation and refreshments.

Mass for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, a holy day of obligation, and the title under which Mary is designated as the patroness of our country and our diocese will be celebrated at Little Flower on Friday, December 7 at 5:30 PM and Saturday, December 8 at 9:00 AM. Mass at St. Mary's will be on Friday at 5:30 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 7** 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. Your help is greatly appreciated.**

Weekend Mass Lectors may pick up a copy of the new workbooks for Lectors 2019 in the sacristy.

The **Catholic Daughters' Potluck Christmas Party** will be held at the Senior Center December 9 at 4:00 PM. Husbands and guests are welcome. Please bring a nonperishable food item for the Sisters of St. Francis' food pantry.

The **Little Flower School Advisory Council** will be meeting Wednesday, December 12 at 7:00 AM.

Advent Reconciliation Services will be held at Little Flower Parish Wednesday, December 12 at 3:00 PM and 7:00 PM. Parishioners are encouraged to take advantage of this wonderful opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Four priests will be available. Please plan on being present at the beginning of each service. Other Penance services in the area include Bottineau, Sunday, December 2 at 7:00 PM; Rolette, Sunday, December 9 at 7:00 PM; Towner, Monday, December 10 at 7:00 PM; Balta, Tuesday, December 18 at 7:00 PM; Harvey, Thursday, December 20 at 7:00 PM.

The **Knights of Columbus** monthly supper and council meeting will be Wednesday, December 12 at 6:00 PM.

You are invited to an Advent Day of Reflection on December 13 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 776-2333.

Seasonal greeting cards contain beautiful art and are reminders of the joys of the season but sometimes a large collection of used cards can become a burden. Cards may be too lovely to throw out but there is just not enough space to continue to store them. Little Flower Religious Education and the Little Flower 4-H Programs are looking for donations of used Christmas cards to use for various Advent and Christmas Projects. Any cards that you would like to donate will be recycled into service projects by the children and youth of our parish. **Donations of cards can be dropped off at the Little Flower Religious Education office through December 12.**

As we begin Advent we are called to "wait" in joyful anticipation for the grace of Christmas to once again bless our lives. Wherever you live in our parish, there are poor families within walking distance of your home. When in need, they ring the rectory bell. They are, in effect, ringing your doorbell. Your gift to the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul will help the poor celebrate the grace of God's love this Christmas. **The St. Therese Conference of the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul will meet Thursday, December 13 at 7:00 PM in Dorothy's Room.**

Mark your calendars; the Knights of Columbus will be serving breakfast following the Sunday morning Masses December 16.

The Religious Goods Nook will be open following the Sunday morning Masses December 16. Come down for the KC breakfast and then check out their many items for Christmas gifts, Confirmation, First Holy Communion and much more.

St. Mary's will be presenting "The Traditional Christmas Story" December 16 after the 9:00 AM Mass. All are welcome to enjoy some scripture and song recited by our Religious Education students and in the spirit of the season, food & fellowship to follow for all to enjoy!

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 Eli McNeff, Hadlie Deplazes, Gannon Deplazes, Bryceton Deplazes, Alex Kraft, Amber Houim and all those who helped with the Coins for Kids Collection last weekend. Your donation of \$194.62 will be used by the Little Flower School's 3rd and 4th graders to purchase gifts for Project Joy. Thank you for your donations.

Support the Retirement Fund for Religious. A donor writes, "Your flyer touched my heart—seeing the retired religious, such memories surfaced." Do you remember the sisters, brothers, or religious order priests who made a positive difference in your life? Today many are elderly and need assistance. Their religious communities struggle to meet retirement needs while continuing to serve the People of God. **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.

**FORMED — The Catholic Faith on Demand —
Prepare the Way of the King by Dr. Scott Hahn**

Ready your heart this Advent. Your Advent journey will take on new meaning as you prepare your heart for the birth of our Lord. This illuminating presentation is sure to help you grow in appreciation of the greatest gift ever given to mankind—Jesus Christ. Register by entering our parish code K7Z623 and then enjoy many free Catholic selections.

First Lutheran's "Come to the Manger" event is Sunday, December 9 from 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM. Nativity sets will be on display in the Fellowship Hall plus a live Nativity in front of the church. Coffee, cider and bars will be served. If anyone is interested in having their Nativity set displayed please call the church office 776-5801, Karen Christenson 776-6474 or Karen Schilke 776-5979.

Treasures from Our Tradition

Occasionally, someone raises a surprised complaint that while Christmas arrives on Santa's sleigh at the Macy's parade on Thanksgiving Day, the Church doesn't catch on too fast. They may even say that Advent is a new-fangled idea. Not so. To trace its beginnings, we have to go back to the fourth or fifth century in France (then Gaul), when Epiphany was the favored day, next to Easter, for baptism. The old pagan structures of Rome were collapsing then, and many people sought to be baptized. Since adults always prepared for baptism by fasting, folks counted back a few weeks for a kind of retreat. Before too long, bishops were advising everyone to attend church frequently beginning on December 17. Soon, artists were imagining ways of expressing the Advent mystery, and in Italy this gave rise to beautiful mosaics of empty thrones awaiting the arrival of the Lord of all creation.

Advent as we know it develops on two separate tracks: the first having to do with our spiritual preparation for celebrating the Christmas feast, and the second having to do with the way this is organized and expressed in the liturgical readings and prayers every day of the season —Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co

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Mass Schedule (LF-Little Flower; SM-St. Mary's; HE-Haaland Estates; HOSP - Hospital)

Monday, December 3 Is 2:1-5; Mt 8:5-11 Saint Francis Xavier
 5:00 PM (LF) † Rosanna Heilman by Kathy Heilman and Nancy Houim and family

Tuesday, December 4 Is 11:1-10; Lk 10:21-24 Saint John Damascene
 7:00 AM (LF) † Amelia Schmitt by Jeanette Asleson
 9:00 AM (HE) Rosary and Communion Service

Wednesday, December 5 Is 25:6-10; Mt 15:29-37
 10:00 AM (HOSP) † August Bachmeier by his family
 5:00 PM (LF) † Jerome Held by Chuck and Linda Duchscher

Thursday, December 6 Is 26:1-6; Mt 7:21, 24-27 Saint Nicholas
 9:00 AM (HE) † Delby Hager by Marlene Wentz
 7:00 PM (LF) Christian Mothers by the Christian Mothers

Friday, December 7 Is 29:17-24; Mt 9:27-31 Saint Ambrose
 9:00 AM (LF) † Rose Hager by Joe and Mary Schmaltz
 5:30 PM (LF) Gn 3:9-15, 20; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38 **Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary Vigil Masses-Holy Day of Obligation**
 5:30 PM (SM) † Barbara Jundt by Becky and Dennis Cargo
 † Conrad Fritel by Bob and Diane Fritel

Saturday, December 8 Gn 3:9-15, 20; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38 **Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary—Holy Day of Obligation**
 9:00 AM (LF) † Roy Pfeifer by family and friends
Confession 8:00 - 8:45 and 10:00 - 10:30
 5:00 PM (LF) † Joseph and Margaret Brossart by their family

Sunday, December 9 Bar 5:1-9; Phil 1:4-6, 8-11; Lk 3:1-6 Second Sunday of Advent
 8:00 AM (LF) † Frank Kraft by friends and family
 9:00 AM (SM) † LaVerne Mitzel by Toni and Wayne Stevenson
 10:30 AM (LF) Mass for the Parish

The broadcast of the 8:00 AM Sunday Mass on KZZJ is sponsored in memory of Frank Kraft by friends and family.

STEWARDSHIP OFFERING NOVEMBER 24/25

Little Flower Parish	Week	Year to Date
Budgeted	\$10,175.00	\$478,225.00
Little Flower Parish	\$7,302.93	\$395,603.67
Increase/Decrease (+ or -)	-\$2,872.07	-\$82,621.33
50 Cents a Day Charity	\$5.00	\$1,867.00
Children's Donation	\$16.00	\$992.34
St. Mary's	\$445.27	\$23,687.15

2018 GOD'S GIFT APPEAL CAMPAIGN

Little Flower Parish	Year to Date
Goal	\$53,328
Pledged	\$45,770
St. Mary's	
Goal	\$4,959
Pledged	\$4,048

SERVING OUR PARISHES DECEMBER 8/9

St. Therese	Altar Servers	Lector	Eucharist Minister	Family Offertory		
5:00 PM Saturday	Volunteer opportunity	Diane Dufner	Joyce Teigen (Homes) Chuck Teigen (Church)			
8:00 AM Sunday	Andrew Duchscher Jaden Wald	Sr. Mary Ruth Huhn	Debbie Millang (Hosp) Myrna Baumann (HE) Mark Johnson (Homes)			
10:30 AM Sunday	Mikaylee Livedalen Nathan Livedalen Paisley Wangler	Nicholas Schmaltz	Brian Blessum Sue Blessum Charlotte Blessum	Dave and Becky Kraft		
St. Mary	Sacristan/Reader	Altar Servers	Ushers	Eucharist	Gifts	Church Care
9:00 AM Sunday	Jennifer Brossart Tyson Follman	Collyn Bosch Carson Bohl	Chris Brossart Jay Bosch	Phil Volk Wanda Follman	Tim Sattler Family	Mark Hoffert Family Blaine Pfeifer Family