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THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH DECEMBER 31, 2023 THE HISTORIAN VOL. 46 NO. 52

Message from our Pastor

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

A Blessed New Year to all!

Today the Church celebrates the day in honor of the Holy Family, Jesus, Mary, and Joseph. The birth of Christ introduced to the world the Holy Family, consisting of Joseph, Mary, and our Blessed Lord. Joseph and Mary, as parents, were committed to doing the will of God the Father, in which the Father's only begotten son would experience the tremendous love of two holy people at the beginning of his life on earth.

Every Christian family should strive to imitate the Holy Family; "It is here that the father of the family, the mother, children, and all members of the family exercise the priesthood of the baptized in a privileged way 'by the reception of the sacraments, prayer and thanksgiving, the witness of a holy life, and self-denial and active charity.' Thus, the home is the first school of Christian life and 'a school for human enrichment.' Here one learns endurance and the joy of work, fraternal love, generous - even repeated - forgiveness, and above all divine worship in prayer and the offering of one's life" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 1657).

The above paragraph from the Catechism is one of my favorites. I always read it with the couples I am preparing for marriage. It reminds me of the experience of family when I was a youngster.

May you have a blessed week and a blessed New Year!

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Fr. Frank Miller Pastor

St. Therese Little Flower Parish

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

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

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

Eucharistic Adoration

Monday 5:45 p.m. - Midnight Tuesday 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. Thursday 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. If a funeral is scheduled at 11am adoration begins at 1:00pm; if a funeral is scheduled at 2:00pm adoration will be from 8:00am noon.



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St. Mary's Parish Eucharistic Liturgy Sunday 10:30 a.m.

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Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish Eucharistic Liturgy Sunday 8:30 a.m. Wednesday 9:00 a.m.

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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.

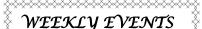
Anointing of the Sick

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

Bulletin announcement deadline: Noon on Wednesday

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH





Sunday, December 31

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, & Joseph Little Flower Mass 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM No Little Flower Religious Education St. Mary's Mass 8:30 AM • Our Lady of Mount Carmel Mass 10:30 AM

Monday, January 1

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God . Little Flower Mass at 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM • Our Lady of Mount Carmel Mass 8:30 AM +St. Mary's Mass 10:30 AM No Little Flower Adoration

Tuesday, January 2

• Little Flower Mass 7:30 AM

Adoration 8:00 AM - 9:00 PM

Haaland Home Mass 9:00 AM

. Eucharist: Studying the Mass in the Bible Class 7 PM

Wednesday, January 3

•Little Flower Mass 7:30 AM and 5:15 PM . No Our Lady of Mount Carmel Mass •RE Buck-A-Luck 6 PM; CYO 6:30, Class 7:15

. Thursday, January 4

Little Flower Mass 7:30 AM

- +Adoration 8:00 AM 5:00 PM
- . Haaland Home Mass 9:00 AM
- •No Hospital Mass

Friday, January 5

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

Saturday, January 6

• 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, January 7 The Epiphany of the Lord Little Flower Mass 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM .LF RE Family Shared Faith 9:15 AM • Our Lady of Mount Carmel Mass 8:30 AM • St. Mary's Mass 10:30 AM

Thank you to those serving Little Flower Parish on the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

January 1 at 8:00 AM

Lector: Rita Graber Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Rose Schneibel Altar Servers: Volunteers needed

January 1 at 10:30 AM

Lector: Judge Michael Hurly Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Denise Lagasse Altar Servers: Carter, Rhett and Grant Teigen

Thank you to those serving Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish on the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

January 1 at 8:30 AM

Lector: Pete Burgard Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion: Diane Muffenbier Altar Servers: Jaxon and Kenley Heilman

Thank you to those serving St. Mary's Parish on the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

January 1 at 10:30 AM

Lector: Chris Brossart Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion: Jennifer Brossart Altar Servers: Carson Bohl, Marissa Bohl, Leila Follman

Fr. Aerts will be on vacation from January 3-17. Please keep him in your prayers as he travels home to be with family.

The Catholic Daughters Christmas Party will be January 7, 2024. A potluck supper will be served at 4:00 PM in the Monsignor Cloos Dining Room. Please bring your spouse or a friend. Games and prizes following the meal. Please bring a nonperishable food item for the Food Pantry.



The Knights of Columbus monthly supper and council meeting will be Wednesday, January 10 at Dakota Farms with the meal at 6 PM and the meeting to follow.

The Knights of Columbus will be serving breakfast following the Sunday Masses on January 14.

The Holy Family Tree! It is the time to place your family picture on the Holy Family tree. Each year families are invited to hang their family Christmas card, a picture, or a handmade Holy Family ornament with your family's name on it on the Holy Family tree. Materials to make a quick family ornament are in a basket next to the tree. The tree is downstairs in the small dining room until the Feast of the Holy Family on December 31. All names on the tree will be entered into a "Family Date Night" drawing held on February 11 at the Family Bingo Party.

Are you able to spend one hour in Eucharistic Adoration with our Lord? New Years Resolution—develop a closer relationship with our Lord by spending time with Him in Eucharistic Adoration. Adoration times are Monday from 5:45 PM - midnight; Tuesday 8:00 AM - 9:00 PM; Thursday 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM. If you would like to participate in this devotion please contact the parish office at 776-6388.

Little Flower Choir CDs are still available! In honor of the legacy of Little Flower Choir and in memory of Robert Graber, a recording was made last spring. It has favorite music from both the mixed and ladies choirs, as well as archived music of Robert. It also has music sung by James Maertens and Lexi Birnbaum. You may purchase them in the church office for a suggested donation of \$10 each. Enjoy!!

Thank you to the following who donated poinsettias as memorials for loved ones: Lorraine Axtman and John and Magdalena Axtman by John Axtman Matt and Marie Axtman by Judith Axtman Richard & Rita Bercier, Jerome & Nannah Bercier and families, Joseph & Ethel Bercier and families, Gerry & Dorothy Belisle by Barbara Bercier Wayne Gerig, Harry French, Sean Muffenbier, grandparents by Alan & Karleen Blessum Deceased family members by Kathleen Blessum Leo & Gary Degenstein, Julius & Mary Kuntz, Jim & Phyllis Degenstein by Maggie Degenstein Robert Graber and deceased family members by Rita Graber Joe Burckhard and MaryAnn Burckhard by Lorinda Haman Valentine and Alice Brossart, Ron Brossart by family Dale & Angie Kuhnhenn, Daryl Kuhnhenn, Mark Kuhnhenn, Pete & Kathryn Hoffart by **Richard and Faye Hoffart** Brian Brossart, Lynn and Elizabeth Carlson by Scott and Lynda Humble George & Frances Jundt, Bob Jundt and nephews by Mary Kitzman Daniel Koenig by Delores Koenig and families Larry and Paula Kraft by David and Becky Kraft Engelbert Kuntz, John and Theresa Kuntz, Albin and Rose Ostenson by Violet Kuntz Claytus Mattern, Tammy Mattern by Ilene Mattern Margaret Brossart, Clifford and Velma Millang by Mark and Deb Millang Barbara & Albert Bartsch, Tim Bartsch, Sr. by Arden and Deb Miller Roy Pfeifer and Ned and Eva Voeller by Gerold and Leanne Pfeifer Roy Pfeifer and deceased family members by Janice Pfeifer Wendelin, Eva, and Allen Volk by Linda Reamer Louie Grad, Katherine Grad by Bruce and Mary Ann Rheault Paul Ripplinger by Linda Ripplinger Joe J. Volk, Clem Schmaltz by Joe and Mary Schmaltz Clem Schmaltz by Marian Schmaltz and family Pete and Regina Schneider, Mavis Volk, Casper Volk by Doug & Linda Schneider Joe Selensky, Jeff Evenson by Rose Selensky George & Christine Kraft, Richard Kraft by Marlene Smith & Genevieve Petry Deceased family of Chuck and Joyce Teigen Leo Vetter by Barb Vetter Casper Schneider, Eva & Wendelin Volk, Allen Volk by Harold and Joan Volk Deceased family members Deb and Dave Zwingel

Thank you to those who donated poinsettias in honor of:

Ted and Barbara Jaeger by Jay and Charlotte Burkhartsmeier Blessings for the Ray and Diane Leier Family

Thank you for your general donations for poinsettias:

Don and Marlene Abrahamson Christine Axtmann Tanner Bernhardt Tim and Sandy Bonn Chuck and Linda Duchscher Diane Dufner Kathleen Heilman Nancy Houim Ted Mitzel Dennis and Myrna Muffenbier Don Schmaltz Ralph and Carol Schmidt Magdalena Sitter John Stork John Voeller Dale and Kris Wangler Charlotte Wurgler

STEWARDSHIP OFFERING

December 23-25, 2023	2023	2022		
Little Flower Parish	\$16,403.00	\$27,030.50		
December 24-25, 2023	Week	Year to Date		
St. Mary's 12-24 \$345.26; 12-25 \$116	\$461.26	\$18,053.24		
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel	\$	\$1,400.00		

2023 GOD'S GIFT APPEAL CAMPAIGN

Little Flower Parish	Year to Date
Goal	\$73,325
Pledged	\$46,176
St. Mary's	
Goal	\$4,867
Pledged	\$3,725
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel	
Goal	\$9,858
Pledged	\$4,080

St. Therese the Little Flower Priests: 776-6388

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Knights of Columbus Brian Blessum, Grand Knight

Christian Mothers Theone Stevenson, President

Catholic Daughters Dorice Duchscherer, Regent

Parish Music Ministry Glenda Mack - 776-5179 Society of Saint Vincent de Paul

Deb Black, President 681-0192

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St. Mary's Catholic Church

Religious Education Lisa Volk

Parish Council Mark Hoffert

St. Mary's Ladies Society Kristen Bohl

Parish Music Ministry Susan Hoffert

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Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

Religious Education Samantha Wentz

Parish Council Pete Burgard

Altar Society Bernice Axtman 542-3385

Music Ministry Wanda Kremer - 542-3338

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Secretary - 776-6258 Rhonda Livedalen office@littleflowercatholicschool.com

Parish/School Custodian Deacon Jonathan Brewer

Church/School Kitchen 776-6388

	Mass Schedule (LF-Little	e Flower; SM-St. Mary; OLMC-Our Lady of Mt. Carmel; HE-Haaland Estates; HOSP - Hospital)
Say Thanks	Monday, January 1 8:00 AM (LF)	Nu 6:22-27; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21 Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God † Bob Graber by Rita Graber
to the advertisers who	8:30 AM (OLMC)	† Bernadine Mitzel by Kenny Heilman
support our bulletin	10:30 AM (LF)	Peter and Florence Stumpf and deceased and living relatives by Judi and Robert Wilmot
Anderson Funeral Homes, Inc. Rugby & Towner	10:30 AM (SM)	\dagger Julius and Arlene Haman by Fritz and Verna Wolf and family
	Tuesday, January 2	1 Jn 2:22-28; Jn 1:19-28 Saints Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen
Bartsch Electric	7:30 AM (LF) 8:00 AM (LF)	† Bertha Schell by family Adoration
Berube Crop Insurance	9:00 AM (HE)	Birthday Blessings for Greg Eldevik by his family
berube crop insurance		
Bremer Bank	Wednesday, January 3	1 Jn 2:29-3:6; Jn 1:29-34 The Most Holy Name of Jesus
	7:30 AM (LF)	⁺ Ardith Kraus by Fr. Miller
Brokers 12 Real Estate Marketing Michael and Ashley Houim	9:00 AM (OLMC)	No Mass Scheduled
Wichael and Ashey Houm	5:15 PM (LF)	† Valentine Brossart by Family
C & H Repair	Thursday, January 4	1 Jn 3:7-10; Jn 1:35-42 Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton
	7:30 AM (LF)	† Peter Thompson by Diane Dufner
Deplazes Redi-Mix and	8:00 AM (LF)	Adoration
Construction	9:00 AM (HE)	† Edmund Hager by family No Mass Scheduled
H. E. Everson Co. Auto Parts &	10:30 AM (Hosp)	No Mass Scheduled
Supplies	Friday, January 5	1 Jn 3:11-21; Jn 1:43-51 Saint John Neumann
	7:30 AM (LF)	† Daniel Koenig by family
Harper Oil	9:00 AM (LF)	† George, Christine and Richard Kraft, Margaret Rocheleau by Genevieve
Knights of Columbus Insurance		(Kraft) Petry
Kinging of columbus insurance	Saturday, January 6	1 Jn 5:5-13; Mk 1:7-11 Saint Andre Bessette
M. J. McGuire Co.	8:00 AM (LF)	† Edmund Hager by Delores Hager
		Is 60:1-6; Eph 3:2-3a,5-6; Mt 2:1-12 The Epiphany of the Lord
Mack Law Offices, P.C.	5:00 PM (LF)	† Engelbert Kuntz by Violet Kuntz and family
Merchants Bank	Sunday, January 7	Is 60:1-6; Eph 3:2-3a,5-6; Mt 2:1-12 The Epiphany of the Lord
	8:00 ÅM (LF)	† Deceased members of the Heilman & Schmidt families by Kathy Heilman
Mike Swanson Construction	8:30 AM (OLMC)	† Leonard Schmaltz by Cletus and Bernice Axtman
	10:30 AM (LF)	Mass for the People Distribution Plansings for Missik Daki by St. Manu'a Know Davish
Niewoehner Funeral Home	10:30 AM (SM)	Birthday Blessings for Micah Bohl by St. Mary's, Knox Parish

The broadcast of the 8:00 AM Sunday Mass on 1450 KZZJ AM and 92.1 FM is sponsored by Kathy Heilman in memory of the deceased members of the Heilman and Schmidt Families.

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St. Therese Altar Servers					Lector		Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion			
5:00 PM Saturday		Volunteers Needed			Ka	Kathleen Heilman		Diane Dufner Marge Heilman		
8:00 AM Sunday		Volunteers Needed		Rit	Rita Graber		Vernice Brossart			
10:30 AM Sunday		Penn War Paisley W Pius Wang	angler		Re	ebecca Leier		Joe Schmaltz Mary Schmaltz		
St. Mary	Sac	acristan/Reader Altar Serv		ervers	s Ushers		EMHC	Gifts	Church Cleaning	
10:30 AM Sunday		nifer Bross is Brossart		Marissa Bohl Titus Volk Leila Follmar		Gary Hoffart		nifer Brossart	Chris Brossart Family	
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel		Le	ector	Alta	Altar Servers		EMHC		Church Care	
8:30 AM Sunday		Riley	Schaan Caleb Schaan Meagan Schaan		Jennifer Heilman		Heilman	Chris Heilman, Ken Heilman, Brad Jacobs, Mike Jundt		

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