

THE PARISHES OF:

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

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.

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT DECEMBER 8, 2019 THE HISTORIAN VOL. 33 NO. 49



SPOTLIGHT ON MINISTRY



The Little Flower Church Choir sings during Mass on selected Sundays from October through May, during Holy Week, on Easter, during Midnight Mass at Christmas, during Confirmation and during Baccalaureate. Being part of the choir is a very special way to praise our Lord through the beauty of music at Mass. The voices of many are raised together in musical prayer.

As we await the birth of Jesus during this Advent, we ask that consider sharing your gift of music as part of the choir. Although the air is cool and crisp as you arrive for the Midnight Mass, you leave the church with a sense of peace, hope and joy in your heart.

Anyone interested in joining the choir now or at a later time, may come up to the choir loft on Wednesday evenings, when the choir practices. If you have any questions feel free to ask any choir member. "To sing is to pray twice." St. Augustine

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

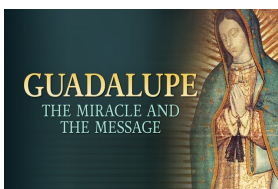


"Therefore, every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire." MATTHEW 3:10 Do you bear good fruit for Christ? Or, do you spend your time, talent and treasure constantly acquiring more toys, clutter and junk. Our time, our talent and our treasure are gifts that God has given us. What we do with them is our gift back to God. What gifts are you planning to give to the Lord during this upcoming Christmas season?

FORMED — The Catholic Faith on Demand Guadalupe - The Miracle and the Message

The Heart of the Evangelization of the Americas. The most important event in the evangelization of the New World occurred in December of 1531. Over the course of four days, the Virgin Mary, as Our Lady of Guadalupe, appeared to an indigenous convert named Juan Diego. As a result of this encounter, the image miraculously imprinted on Juan Diego's tilma (cloak). This gripping film explores both the inexplicable mysteries behind the image and the continued

relevance of this Marian apparition to the modern world. Register by going to Formed.org and entering our parish code K7Z623 and then explore the many free Catholic selections.



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.

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



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

Monday, December 9

- LF Daily Mass 7:30 AM
- Funeral Mass for Joe Heilman 11:00 AM
- LF Daily Mass 5:15 PM
- Eucharistic Adoration 5:45 PM - midnight

Tuesday, December 10

- LF Eucharistic Adoration 8:00 AM - 10:00 PM

Wednesday, December 11

- LFS Advisory Council Meeting 7:00 AM
- LFS Academy Days 9:00 - 3:15 PM
- KC meal/meeting 6:00 PM
- LF RE PLD-Christmas Caroling 1:30 - 3 PM
- Our Lady of Mount Carmel Rel Ed 7:00 PM
- RCIA class 7:00 PM

Thursday, December 12

- LF Eucharistic Adoration 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
- Advent Day of Reflection 10 AM - 4 PM

Friday, December 13

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

Saturday, December 14

- LF Mass 8 AM with an Advent Presentation and discussion by Sr. Mary Ruth following
- September Circle Christian Mothers meeting 12:00 PM

Sunday, December 15

Third Sunday of Advent

- LF Religious Ed Class 9:15 AM
- Installation of Fr. Miller by Bishop Folda at the 10:30 Mass followed by a parish potluck

Little Flower, St. Mary's and Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parishes extend our condolences to the family of Joe Heilman whose funeral will be at 11:00 AM on December 9 at Little Flower. May his soul and the souls of the faithful departed rest in the peace of Christ.

Support aging religious. Many senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests served for little or no pay. Today, religious communities often do not have enough savings to meet retirement needs. Your gift helps provide medications, nursing care, and more for tens of thousands of elderly religious. It also helps ensure younger members can continue the good works of their elders. **Please give generously to the Retirement Fund for Religious collection.** Special envelopes for this collection may be found in your envelope packets or in the pews. This collection helps hundreds of religious communities care for aging members.

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 followed by the play *The Bells of Glocken* presented by the children in grades 1 - 6.

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.

The Little Flower CYO will be traveling through Rugby providing a bit of Christmas Cheer to Rugby residents on December 11 from 1:30 - 3:00 PM. They will be visiting Rugby residents who are homebound or otherwise unable to attend area Christmas festivities. If you know of anyone who would appreciate a little bit of Christmas spirit delivered by the CYO Christmas Carolers please contact Little Flower Church at 776-6388 with their name and address which will be passed on to the CYO.

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.

Join Sr. Mary Ruth after the Saturday 8:00 AM Mass on December 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 September Christian Mothers Circle meeting will be held at the Coffee Cottage Saturday, December 14th at 12:00 PM. If you need a ride call Deb Black 701-776-5982.

Installation of Fr. Frank Miller as the pastor of Little Flower, St. Mary's and Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parishes by Bishop Folda will be Sunday, December 15 during the 10:30 AM Mass. There will be a potluck following the 10:30 AM Mass. All are invited to come share in the joy of welcoming Very Rev. Franklin Miller as our Pastor.

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

Advent Reconciliation Services will be held at Little Flower on 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 be present at the beginning of each service. Other Penance services in the area include Rolette, December 8 at 7:00 PM; Towner, December 9 at 7:00 PM; Harvey, December 19 at 7:00 PM.

In today's Gospel, John the Baptist urges us to "Prepare the way of the Lord." This is what Advent is all about, for we are called to help prepare the way of the Lord by making the real meaning of Christmas come alive in our own hearts, in our family and to reach out to those in need. Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call us so that together we can help the suffering and poor celebrate Christmas. **The St. Therese the Little Flower Conference of the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul will continue with Lectio; Evangelization on December 19 at 7 PM.**

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

Altar Servers, Lectors, and Eucharistic Ministers are needed 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.

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 take 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.

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

Need an Advent project? Kits for *Dresses for Africa* are available in the parish office. Over 1000 dresses have been sewn and sent off from our parish. Let's keep up the good work of clothing the naked.

I want to express a sincere thank you and gratitude to the faithful **Prayer Warriors** who participated in the recent 40 Days For Life Campaign. According to the 40 Days For Life website, 742 babies were saved. Praise God. Kathy Heilman

Are you able to spend one hour in Eucharistic Adoration with our Lord? Come and experience the Hope, Peace, Faith, and Joy of Advent. We need someone to make a weekly commitment from 7:00 - 8:00 PM on Tuesday. Contact the parish office at 776-6388 if you like to participate in this weekly devotion.

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.

Are You looking for a closer relationship with God? Come attend a Life in the Spirit weekend on January 10, 11 & 12, 2020. The event will be held at St. Cecilia's Social Center, Harvey. The seminar includes; lively praise and worship, talks and testimony, discussion groups, healing of memories prayer and more. Register at raxtman@gondtc.com or call 701-324-2706 or parish office stcecilia@gondtc.com or 324-2144. Pre-registration is appreciated by January 7. Housing: Cobblestone Inn 701-635-2222; R & R Motel 701-324-2271; Artos Motel 701-324-4602. 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. Meals provided. Free will offering. Come and experience the Presence of the Lord!

STEWARDSHIP OFFERING NOVEMBER 30/DECEMBER 1

Little Flower Parish	Week	Year to Date
Budgeted	\$9,742.00	\$448,132.00
Little Flower Parish	\$7,006.25	\$358,452.43
Increase/Decrease (+ or -)	-2,735.75	-89,679.57
50 Cents a Day Charity	\$	\$1,796.82
Children's Envelopes	\$25.75	\$1,146.54
St. Mary's	\$379.00	\$21,098.11
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel	\$328.00	\$31,124.08

2019 GOD'S GIFT APPEAL CAMPAIGN

Little Flower Parish	Year to Date
Goal	\$56,245
Pledged	\$48,806
St. Mary's	
Goal	\$4,950
Pledged	\$3,595
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel	
Goal	\$8,176
Pledged	\$8,149

St. Therese the Little Flower

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Christian Mothers

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Catholic Daughters

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Deb Black, President 681-0192



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Susan Hoffert



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Pete Burgard

Altar Society

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Anderson Funeral Home of Rugby & Towner

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Berube Crop Insurance

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M. J. McGuire Co.

Mack Law Offices, P.C.

Merchants Bank

Mike Swanson Construction

Niewoehner Funeral Home

Northern Equipment, Inc.

Precision Auto Body & Glass

Ramsey Bank

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Rugby Insurance Agency

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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 9

7:30 AM (LF)
11:00 AM (LF)
5:15 PM (LF)

Gn 3:9-15, 20; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38 The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
† Rose Weigel by Deacon Rick and Denise Lagasse
† Funeral Mass for Joe Heilman
† Janice Nohr by the Volk Cousins

Tuesday, December 10

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

Is 40:1-11; Mt 18:12-14
† Madeline Solem by Catholic Daughters of America Court 1193
Special Intention of family members by Rose Selensky (Rosary at 9 AM)

Wednesday, December 11

7:15 AM (Convent)
10:00 AM (HOSP)
5:15 PM (LF)
6:15 PM (OLMC)

Is 40:25-31; Mt 11:28-30 Saint Damasus I
† Daniel Vetsch by Deacon Rick and Denise Lagasse
† Julia Kremer by Mark and Deb Millang
† Raymond Heilman by Bev and John Johnson
† Francis and Dolores Pfeifer by the Pius Schaan Family

Thursday, December 12

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

Rev 11:19;12:1-6, 10; Lk 1:39-47 Our Lady of Guadalupe
† Peter and Florence Stumpf by Robert and Judi Wilmot
† Ed Heilman by Agnes Axtman (Rosary at 9:00 AM)

Friday, December 13

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

Is 48:17-19; Mt 11:16-19
† Eugene Howard by Robert and Rita Graber
† Marie Selensky by the Catholic Daughters

Saturday, December 14

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

Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Mt 17:9, 10-13 Saint John of the Cross
† Elizabeth Marie Hoffert by Leo Hoffert
† Leon Klause by Beatrice Schmalz.

Sunday, December 15

8:00 AM (LF)
8:30 AM (SM)
10:30 AM (LF)
10:30 AM (OLMC)

Is 35:1-6; 10; Jas 5:7-10; Mt 11:2-11 Third Sunday of Advent
† James C. Duchscher by Mary Duchscher and family
† Darlene Zacher by Gerry and Karen Schumacher
Mass for the Parish
† Curtis Bohl by Cletus and Bernice Axtman

The broadcast of the 8:00 AM Sunday Mass on KZZJ 1450 AM and 92.1 FM is sponsored in memory of James C. Duchscher by Mary Duchscher and family.



SERVING OUR PARISHES DECEMBER 14/15

St. Therese	Altar Servers	Lector	Eucharist Minister	Family Offertory
5:00 PM Saturday	Amber Selensky Allison Selensky	Brenda Heilman	Debbie Millang (Homes) Karin Fursather (Church)	
8:00 AM Sunday	Austin Duchscher Jaclyn Duchscher	Angela Hoffert	Rita Graber (Hosp) Deb Black (HE) Volunteer Needed (Homes)	
10:30 AM Sunday	Mikaylee Livedalen Royanne Livedalen Beth Schmalz	Rebecca Leier	Angie Busch Tom Clements Lori Tangen	Alan and Karleen Blessum

St. Mary	Sacristan/Reader	Altar Servers	Ushers	Eucharist	Gifts	Church Care
8:30 AM Sunday	Jennifer Brossart Tyson Follman	Bryant Bohl Cole Anderson	Chris Brossart Jay Bosch	Phil Volk Wanda Follman	Frances Schneider	Mark Hoffert Family Blaine Pfeifer Family

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel	Lector	Altar Servers	Eucharist Minister	Church Care
10:30 AM Sunday	Julie Baustad	Lucus Wentz Brady Filler	Alice Bohl	Steve Wentz, Joe Axtman, Cletus Axtman, Leo Adam