

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
Office Hours: Tuesday - Friday 8am - 3pm

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

Tuesday 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Saturday 8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.
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 1pm; if a funeral is scheduled at 2pm adoration will be from 8am - noon.

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Message from our Pastor

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

Wednesday of this week is Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent, one of the most important liturgical events of the life of God's family. With the imposition of ashes on the forehead, there is the expectation that there will be a measure of change in our lives when Lent is completed on the Wednesday before Holy Thursday.

"Repent and believe in the good news" (Mk 1:15b), for the old ways of sinfulness will hopefully give way to a new life of sanctity. "All Christians in any state or walk of life are called to the fullness of Christian life and to the perfection of charity." All are called to holiness: "Be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 2013).



God's Gift Appeal begins this weekend. Your gift will provide funding for 47 Catholic outreach ministries that help people throughout the diocese. I am hopeful that every household will take an active role in this effort to support the Diocese of Fargo.

As good stewards of God's gifts, we are called to return of Him a share of the gifts He has given us. Your stewardship is a witness of your faith in Him who provides many blessings for all of us. Thank



you for your generosity and stewardship.

May our Beloved Father bless us abundantly during the Lenten season.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Fr. Frank Miller
Pastor



St. Mary's Parish Eucharistic Liturgy

Sunday 8:30 a.m.
Wednesday 7:00 p.m.



Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish Eucharistic Liturgy

Sunday 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday 9:30 a.m.
Friday 7:00 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. - 3:00 p.m. or contact the parish office.

Communion to the Sick & Homebound

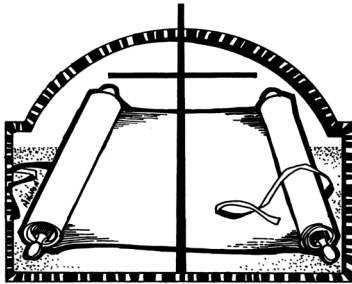
Parish ministers bring the Holy Eucharist to the homebound and the hospitalized. Please call the parish office to arrange for visitation.

Anointing of the Sick

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

**SIXTH SUNDAY
IN
ORDINARY TIME**

**Obey and teach
God's commandments**



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WEEKLY EVENTS

Sunday, February 15

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- Little Flower Mass 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM
- St. Mary's Mass 8:30 AM
- Our Lady of Mount Carmel Mass 10:30 AM
- Little Flower Family Valentine Bingo Party 1:00 - 3:00 PM

Monday, February 16

- Little Flower Mass 7:30 AM and 5:15 PM
- Little Flower Adoration 5:45 PM - midnight

Tuesday, February 17

- Little Flower Mass 7:30 AM
- Little Flower Adoration 8:00 AM - 9:00 PM
- Haaland Estates Mass 9:00 AM
- The Bible & Church Fathers Study Group 4:00 PM and 7:00 PM
- Little Flower Confession 6:30 - 7:30 PM

Wednesday, February 18

Ash Wednesday

- Little Flower Mass 9:00 AM and 7:30 PM
- St. Mary's Mass 6:00 PM
- Our Lady of Mount Carmel Mass 7:30 PM
- LF Prayer for Life 3:00 PM
- No Little Way Classes

Thursday, February 19

- Little Flower Mass 7:30 AM
- Little Flower Adoration 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
- Haaland Estates Mass 9:00 AM
- Hospital Mass 10:30 AM

Friday, February 20

- Little Flower Mass 7:30 AM and 9:00 AM with a movie following in Dorothy's Room
- OLMC Mass & Stations of the Cross 7:00 PM

Saturday, February 21

- Little Flower Mass 8:00 AM
- Confession 8:30 - 10:30 AM; 4:15 - 4:45 PM
- Little Flower Vigil Mass 5:00 PM

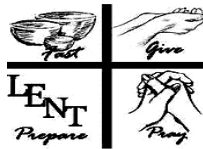
Sunday, February 22

First Sunday of Lent

- Little Flower Mass 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM
- St. Mary's Mass 8:30 AM
- Our Lady of Mount Carmel Mass 10:30 AM

**Valentine's Day
BINGO**

Join us for the Little Flower Family Valentine Bingo Party on February 15 from 1:00 - 3:00 PM in the Monsignor Cloos Dining Room as we celebrate love, marriage, and family with red desserts, red bingo prizes, and red door prizes. Fun for the whole family! Everyone is welcome.



Mass schedule for Ash Wednesday, February 18

Little Flower 9:00 AM and 7:30 PM

St. Mary's 6:00 PM

Our Lady of Mount Carmel 7:30 PM

Thank you to all serving our parishes on Ash Wednesday, please refer to the schedule on the back page of the bulletin.

Ash Wednesday is also a day of fast and abstinence. Catholics 14 years of age and older must abstain from eating meat on Ash Wednesday and all Fridays of Lent. Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59 are also required to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. There is a limit of one full meal and no food between meals on those days. Two smaller meals are permitted as needed to maintain one's strength.

The Lenten issue of *The Word Among Us* is available at all church entrances. Please pick up a copy and spend a few minutes each day with the Lord preparing your heart and mind for the celebration of Easter.

Next weekend, February 21-22, is Commitment Weekend for the 2026 God's Gift Appeal. Please bring the personalized commitment card you received in the mail to Mass with you as we join together to support our Catholic Church.



There will be a KC Breakfast March 1st at the Rugby Eagles. We will be serving sausage patties, pancakes, scrambled eggs, fruit, juice and coffee from 9:00 AM until 12:30 PM. We would like to invite everyone to come out and join us for a terrific meal and fellowship. Thank you for your support.

This year the children and youth of Little Flower, St. Mary's and Our Lady of Mount Carmel will express the Lenten tradition of giving Alms by choosing to give close to home. Students will make their own "Lenten Giving Boxes" to collect coins for the benefit of Catholic Charities North Dakota. Students are also making more boxes to distribute to parishioners with an enclosed charitable message explaining the mission of Catholic Charities North Dakota. Look for these handmade "Lenten Giving Boxes" at the entrances to the church, and pick one up to use for your own charitable giving during Lent.



Soup and Stations, a Family Night of Prayer and Fellowship on Wednesday, March 4. Everyone is welcome to attend along with the Little Way classes, CYO students and the Knights of Columbus following the 5:15 PM Mass to pray the Stations of the Cross together. After this devotion, the children will head downstairs to create a hands-on Stations of the Cross bag, and families are invited to enjoy soup and fellowship with fellow parishioners.

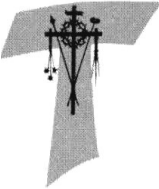


Pray 365: Help Little Flower Catholic School with 365 days of prayer! Our children pray for requested intentions on Wednesdays at our Weekly Assembly. A day of prayer is a wonderful gift for a loved one for a birthday, anniversary, recovery from illness, thinking of you or anything else you can think of! Once again, the donation amount to sponsor a day in 2026 is \$25. Contact Mrs. Jennie Brossart to reserve your dates.



Are you interested in becoming a 4th degree KC? There is some interest building and we would like to hold a 4th degree exemplification here in Rugby. In order to do so, we are looking to get as many men as possible for this ceremony. Please contact Brian Blessum, Pete Burgard, or email rugbykc@gondtc.com if you would be interested. We are also seeking any possible spare or unused **KC swords**. These would be given to new 4th degree KCs to help in completing their uniform. If you would like to donate them, please drop them off at the parish office.

Little Flower Speaker Capital Campaign. Our church sound system has been upgraded with two new speakers to improve clarity during Mass and parish events. The cost of this upgrade was \$9,000. **Donations in the amount of \$3,490 have been received in support of this project. Thank you to all those who have contributed.** Donations of any amount are appreciated. Please place your donation in an envelope marked "Speaker Capital Campaign" and place it in the collection basket or bring it to the parish office. Checks should be made payable to Little Flower Church. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.



February Day of Reflection – Franciscan Sisters of Dillingen. You are invited to join us on Saturday, February 21 for a Day of Reflection (online or in-person at 102 6th St SE, Hankinson, ND). This month's theme, as we continue our Franciscan Spiritual Pilgrimage, will be the San Damiano Crucifix. The event lasts from 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM. Register online at <https://www.sfcretreats.org/register-online/> or contact Sr. Mary Ruth with questions at smaryruth@sfcretreats.org / 701-242-7195.

Camp Summit: Middle School Camp. In a world that never seems to slow down, this verse is a gentle reminder that peace isn't found in constant motion—it's found in God's presence. Take a moment today to pause, breathe, and trust that He is in control. When life feels overwhelming, remember that stillness isn't weakness; it's strength rooted in faith. Let go of the noise, and let God's voice guide your heart. Join us for an unforgettable Catholic Youth Camp where we step away from the noise of everyday life and draw closer to God. This is your time to pause, reflect, and experience His presence in nature, prayer, and fellowship. Come and discover the peace that only He can give, as we grow together in faith and friendship. Don't miss this opportunity to be still and let God speak to your heart! Camp Summit will take place July 12-16 at Red Willow Bible Camp in Binford, ND. All youth going into grades 7-9 in the fall of 2026 are welcome to attend. **Earlybird price \$350 before February 27, 2026.** Regular price \$400 after February 27, 2026. Register at <http://www.fargodiocese.org/campsummit>.

STEWARDSHIP OFFERING

	2026	2025
February 7-8		
Little Flower	\$7,407.15	\$5,696.00
February 8, 2026	Week	Year to Date
St. Mary's	\$125.00	\$873.00
OLMC		

2026 GOD'S GIFT APPEAL

Little Flower	Year to Date
Goal	\$62,558
Pledged	
St. Mary's	
Goal	\$3,999
Pledged	\$
OLMC	
Goal	\$8,934
Pledged	\$

St. Therese the Little Flower

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Mass Schedule

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

Monday, February 16

7:30 AM (LF)
5:15 PM (LF)
5:45 PM (LF)

Jas 1:1-11; Mk 8:11-13
Young People of the Parish by the Christian Mothers
† Debbie Fritel by Marge Heilman and family
Adoration

Tuesday, February 17

7:30 AM (LF)
8:00 AM (LF)
9:00 AM (HE)

Jas 1:12-18; Mk 8:14-21 The Seven Holy Founders
† Janet Flowers by Gerold and Leanne Pfeifer
Adoration
† Regina Eisenzimmer by friends and family

Wednesday, February 18

9:00 AM (LF)
6:00 PM (SM)
7:30 PM (LF)
7:30 PM (OLMC)

Jl 2:12-18; 2 Cor 5:20-6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18 Ash Wednesday
† Bruce Baumann by Myrna Baumann and family
† Katherine Haman by Bob and Diane Fritel
† Angela Cote by Deacon Rick and Denise Lagasse
† John Bachmeier by Alice Bohl

Thursday, February 19

7:30 AM (LF)
8:00 AM (LF)
9:00 AM (HE)
10:30 AM (Hosp)

Dt 30:15-20; Lk 9:22-25
† Curtis Roerick by family and friends
Adoration
† Joe P Haman by family
† Delores Hager by Mike and Brenda Schell

Friday, February 20

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

Is 58:1-9a; Mt 9:14-15
† Theresa Dahl by Anthony and Angie Deplazes
† Ed Selensky by Al and Donna Jundt
† John Bohl by LeeAllen and Rebecca Leier

Saturday, February 21

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

Is 58:9b-14; Lk 5:27-32 Saint Peter Damian
† Dwight Cote by Deacon Rick and Denise Lagasse
Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7; Rom 5:12-19; Mt 4:1-11 First Sunday of Lent
† Fr. John J. Kalenberg by Marian Schmaltz

Sunday, February 22

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

Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7; Rom 5:12-19; Mt 4:1-11 First Sunday of Lent
† Daniel Brossart by Isabel Brossart and family
† Kira Lemar by Virgil Lemar
Mass for the People
† Richard Jundt by Dennis and Brenda Jundt

The broadcast of the 8:00 AM Sunday Mass on 1450 KZZJ AM and 92.1 FM is sponsored in memory of Daniel Brossart by Isabel Brossart and family.

SERVING OUR PARISHES FEBRUARY 18-22

St. Therese	Altar Servers	Lector	Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion			
9:00 AM Wednesday	† Natalie Blessum Genny Hurly Arica Selensky	Monica Houim	Joyce Teigen Chuck Teigen Rita Graber			
7:30 PM Wednesday	† Clare Livedalen Grant Teigen Carter Teigen	Royanne Livedalen	Volunteers needed			
5:00 PM Saturday	Volunteers	Brenda Heilman	Diane Dufner Kathy Heilman			
8:00 AM Sunday	Volunteers	Sarah Shively	Rose Schneibel			
10:30 AM Sunday	Nattie Blessum Bill Hurly Genny Hurly	Madeline Hurly	Brian Blessum Sue Blessum			
St. Mary	Sacristan/Reader	Altar Servers	Ushers	EMHC	Gifts	Church Cleaning
6:00 PM Wednesday	† Wanda Follman Philip Volk	Tosten Bohl Micah Bohl	Darrell Hoffart Adam Bohl	Mark Hoffert	Joe Bohl Family	Sattler Family
8:30 AM Sunday	Wanda Follman Philip Volk	Tosten Bohl Micah Bohl	Darrell Hoffart Adam Bohl	Mark Hoffert	Joe Bohl Family	Sattler Family
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel	Lector	Altar Servers	EMHC	Church Care		
7:30 PM Wednesday	† Riley Schaan	Volunteers	Eric Kremer	Chris Heilman, Kenny Heilman, Brad Jacobs, Mike Jundt		
10:30 AM Sunday	Julie Baustad	Volunteers	Jennifer Heilman	Chris Heilman, Kenny Heilman, Brad Jacobs, Mike Jundt		