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SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT MARCH 16, 2025 THE HISTORIAN VOL. 39 NO. 11

Message from our Pastor

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

Little Flower CYO is selling seafood with the partnership of "Off the Hook Seafood". The CYO receives 25% of the sales as a fundraiser for their future activities. Please help, information is available at the entrance of the church. Thank you very much to everyone who is participating.

The practices of Lent help overcome those obstacles in our life that keeps us from sharing in the fullness of life, in other words, that we "may have life, and have it abundantly" (Jn 10:10b). One of the ways to know and love the Lord is to share in the likeness of His passion by making the Stations of the Cross. Sharing an experience with another person is to know him or her in an intimate and personal way. In addition, Lent strengthens one's spirit. A strong strength of spirit helps with self-control and the ability to resist inordinate desires and thoughts, "blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God" (Mt 5:8).

Lent helps us to break off the ties of disordered attachment to ourselves, to people and things, which often keep us from seeking "first the kingdom of God" (Mt 6:33). Besides the fasting of food and abstaining from meat on the days prescribed during Lent, there are other ways of self-denial, such as lessening the amount of time watching television, lessening the amount of non-essential talking or spending more time helping others.

Lent always includes the Sacrament of Reconciliation, which is necessary for the realization of the "new self, created according to the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness" (Eph. 4:24).

May you have a blessed week!

Fr. Frank Miller
Pastor

St. Therese Little Flower Parish

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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 a.m.

Saturday 4:15 p.m. - 4:45 p.m.

Tuesday 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 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.



**St. Mary's Parish
Eucharistic Liturgy**

Sunday 10:30 a.m.



**Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish
Eucharistic Liturgy**

Sunday 8:30 a.m.

Wednesday 9:30 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. - 3:00 p.m. or contact the parish office.

Communion to the Sick & Homebound

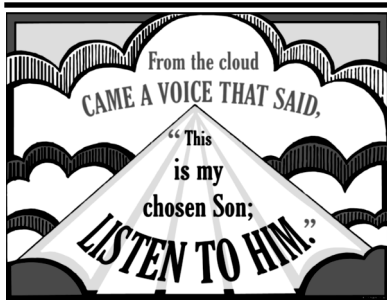
Parish ministers bring the Holy Eucharist to the homebound and the hospitalized. Please call the parish office to arrange for visitation.

Anointing of the Sick

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

**Bulletin announcement deadline:
Noon on Wednesday**

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT



WEEKLY EVENTS

Sunday, March 16

Second Sunday of Lent

- Little Flower Mass 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM
- LF Religious Education 9:15 AM
- Our Lady of Mount Carmel Mass 8:30 AM
- St. Mary's 10:30 AM
- St. Patrick's Bingo and Popcorn 2:00 PM

Monday, March 17

- Little Flower Mass 7:30 AM and 5:15 PM
- LF Stations of the Cross and Rosary 4:15 PM
- Little Flower Adoration 5:45 PM

Tuesday, March 18

- Little Flower Mass 7:30 AM
- Little Flower Adoration 8:00 AM - 9:00 PM
- Haaland Home Mass 9:00 AM
- The Case for Jesus Study Group 4:00 PM
- Confession 6:30 - 7:30 PM

Wednesday, March 19

- Little Flower Mass 7:30 AM and 5:15 PM
- Buck A Luck 6 PM, CYO 6:30, RE 7:00 PM
- Prayer for Life 3:00 PM
- LF Stations of the Cross 5:45 PM
- SM Mass and Stations of the Cross 7:00 PM

Thursday, March 20

- Little Flower Mass 7:30 AM
- Little Flower Adoration 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
- Haaland Home Mass 9:00 AM
- Hospital Mass 10:30 AM
- Catholic Daughters' Rosary, Mass, mtg 5 PM

Friday, March 21

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

Saturday, March 22

- 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, March 23

Third Sunday of Lent

- Little Flower Mass 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM
- No LF Religious Education
- Our Lady of Mount Carmel Mass 8:30 AM
- St. Mary's 10:30 AM

St. Patrick's BINGO

Plan to attend the **St. Patrick's Bingo and Popcorn Party** on Sunday, March 16 at 2:00 PM in the Parish Hall. Join us for an afternoon of bingo with friends, cash prizes, and delicious refreshments. Everyone is welcome.

The **Catholic Daughters** will meet on Thursday, March 20, rosary at 5:00 PM followed by Mass and the meeting.



Lenten CYO Seafood Fundraiser

The ocean's bounty, fresh and true, Supports our cause in Lent anew, Golden shrimp and silver fish, Each sale helps grant a heartfelt wish!!

Order forms are available near the entry of the church. Return the order forms by Sunday, March 16. Orders arrive on Saturday, March 29. Please make checks payable to CYO



Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, Balta, will be serving a **pancake breakfast at the Rugby Eagles on Sunday, March 30**. They will be serving pancakes, sausage, eggs, coffee, and juice from 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM. Free will offering for the breakfast. There will also be a bake sale.

There will be a meeting for those interested in the Little Flower Cemetery on March 31 at 7:00 PM in Dorothy's Room.

The **Christian Mothers** will be meeting on Thursday, April 3 beginning with the rosary at 6:30 PM, Mass at 7:00 PM and the meeting following in the church basement. The November Circle is in charge of the Mass and lunch. There will be initiation of new members. Any ladies of the parish interested in becoming a member of the Christian Mothers please join us for Mass on April 3.

Walk the Stations of the Cross and recount Jesus' journey to Calvary.

The Stations of the Cross will bring us closer to Christ as we meditate on the great love He showed for us in His most sorrowful Passion!

Little Flower will have **Stations of the Cross** led by the Catholic Daughters and Christian Mothers on Mondays at 4:15 PM followed by the rosary and the 5:15 PM Mass.

The Knights of Columbus will lead the Stations of the Cross on Wednesdays following the 5:15 PM Mass.

St. Mary's will have Mass and Stations of the Cross on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 PM.

Our Lady of Mount Carmel will have Mass and Stations of the Cross on Friday evenings at 7:00 PM.

This year the children and youth of Little Flower Parish 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 additional 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 church entrances and pick one up to use for your charitable giving during Lent.

During Lent, we are asked to increase our prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

Make plans to increase your time in prayer by spending time with Jesus during Eucharistic Adoration or attending daily Mass. The sacrament of reconciliation is offered Tuesday evening from 6:30 - 7:30 PM and Saturday morning from 8:30 - 10:30 AM and prior to the Saturday evening Vigil Mass from 4:15 - 4:45 PM.

Little Flower School will be hosting a **Preschool & Kindergarten Information Night/Open House** for families interested in attending Little Flower School for the 2025-26 school year. The event will be held **Tuesday, April 1 from 5:30 - 6:30 PM**. We will start the evening with an overview of the structure, process and mission of Little Flower Catholic School by our Principal, Mr. Kevin Leier at 5:30. Teachers, along with administration and staff, will be available to give you and your children a tour and answer any questions you may have. If you are unable to attend, please contact the school office and we will make arrangements to meet with you another time.



Preschool thru 6th grade registration for the 2025-26 school year is set for April 7 - 8 from 1:00 - 4:00 PM and April 9 from 1:00 to 5:30 PM in the school office. To be eligible for Preschool, students must turn 4 years of age by midnight on July 31, 2025. Kindergarten students must turn 5 years old by midnight on July 31, 2025. Please bring a copy of your child's birth certificate and immunization record.

Little Flower Elevator Capital Campaign. The church elevator requires mechanical updates to ensure that the elevator remains in proper working order. The estimated cost of the required update is \$20,000. Donations in the amount \$17,140 have been received. Thank you to all who have donated. Please make checks payable to Little Flower Church and place donations in an envelope marked "Elevator Capital Campaign" and drop it in the collection basket or bring it by the parish office. Your donation is greatly appreciated.

Lent is a call not just to "give up something" but more important to "give something for the poor." Wherever you live in the 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. **Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that together we can help the suffering and poor at 701-681-0192.**

Local Area Lenten Penance Services

- March 30 - Sacred Heart, Rolette at 7:00 PM
- March 31 - St. Cecilia's, Towner at 7:00 PM
- April 2 - Little Flower, Rugby 3:00 PM and 7:00 PM
- April 6 - St. Mark's, Bottineau at 7:00 PM
- April 10 - St. Cecilia's, Harvey at 7:00 PM

The Seven Last Words: A Lenten Retreat for Women. Join us for a weekend of prayer and reflection as we ponder Christ's love, shown to us in His passion, March 21-23, 2025 at St. Francis Retreat Center in Hankinson, ND. Questions: Contact Sr. Mary Ruth at (701) 242-7195 or smaryruth@sfcretreats.org. Register at sfcretreats.org/register-online.

STEWARDSHIP OFFERING

March 8-9	2025	2024
Little Flower	\$7,792.26	\$18,846.16
March 9, 2025	Week	Year to Date
St. Mary's	\$168.00	\$1,894.20
OLMC		

2025 GOD'S GIFT APPEAL

Little Flower	Year to Date
Goal	\$72,622
Pledged	\$7,200
St. Mary's	
Goal	\$4,401
Pledged	\$200
OLMC	
Goal	\$8,385
Pledged	\$1,675

St. Therese the Little Flower

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St. Mary's Catholic Church

Religious Education

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Kenny Bohl

St. Mary's Ladies Society

Kristen Bohl

Parish Music Ministry

Susan Hoffert



Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

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becoming a sponsor of the Little
Flower Historian please contact
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Monday, March 17
7:30 AM (LF)
5:15 PM (LF)
5:45 PM (LF)

Dn 9:4b-10; Lk 6:36-38 Saint Patrick
† Bill Bischoff by Lloyd and Mary Voeller
† Bruce Baumann by Myrna Baumann and family
Adoration

Tuesday, March 18
7:30 AM (LF)
8:00 AM (LF)
9:00 AM (HE)

Is 1:10, 16-20; Mt 23:1-12 Saint Cyril of Jerusalem
† Helen Haman by Chuck and Linda Duchscher
Adoration
† Gwen Drewnick by family and friends

Wednesday, March 19
7:30 AM (LF)
9:30 AM (OLMC)
5:15 PM (LF)
7:00 PM (SM)

2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a St. Joseph
† Father Joseph Senger by Nick and Bernie Senger
† Agnes Axtman by friends and family
† Mariya Tate Bernhardt by Brenda, Tony and Tanner
† Garth Fritel by Bob and Diane Fritel

Thursday, March 20
7:30 AM (LF)
8:00 AM (LF)
9:00 AM (HE)
10:30 AM (Hosp)
5:15 PM (LF)

Jer 17:5-10; Lk 16:19-31
† Sharon Munyer by Deacon Rick and Denise Lagasse
Adoration
† Jerome Fettig by John Heilman
† Ken Schaan by Mike and Susan Waldoch
Catholic Daughters

Friday, March 21
7:30 AM (LF)
9:00 AM (LF)
7:00 PM (OLMC)

Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
Families of the Parish
† Kenneth Wolf by Ed and JoAnne Ziegler
† Ken Schaan by Cletus and Bernice Axtman

Saturday, March 22
8:00 AM (LF)
5:00 PM (LF)

Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
† Agnes Axtman by Deacon Rick and Denise Lagasse
Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15; 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12; Lk 13:1-9 Third Sunday of Lent
† Fred Tuchscherer by Marian Schmaltz

Sunday, March 23
8:00 AM (LF)
8:30 AM (OLMC)
10:30 AM (LF)
10:30 AM (SM)

Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15; 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12; Lk 13:1-9 Third Sunday of Lent
† Harriet Volk and all deceased family members by Chuck & Laurie Volk
† Darlene (Axtman) Goven by John and Alice Bohl
Mass for the People
† Diane Pierson by Bob and Diane Fritel

The broadcast of the 8:00 AM Sunday Mass on 1450 KZZJ AM and 92.1 FM is sponsored in memory of Harriet Volk and all deceased family members by Chuck and Laurie Volk.

SERVING OUR PARISHES MARCH 22-23

St. Therese	Altar Servers		Lector	Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion		
5:00 PM Saturday	Volunteers		Chuck Teigen	Joyce Teigen Chuck Teigen		
8:00 AM Sunday	Volunteers		Rose Schneibel	Valerie Bachmeier		
10:30 AM Sunday	Chelsea Blessum Natalie Blessum Beth Schmaltz		Nicholas Schmaltz	Marlene Schaan Jacinta Schmaltz		
St. Mary	Sacristan/Reader	Altar Servers	Ushers	EMHC	Gifts	Church Cleaning
10:30 AM Sunday	Wanda Follman	Marisa Bohl Titus Volk	Tim Sattler Al Follman	Wanda Follman		Hoffert & Pfeifer Families
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel	Lector	Altar Servers	EMHC	Church Care		
8:30 AM Sunday	Kevin Leier	Volunteers	Jennifer Heilman	Wes Hall, Joe Haman, Chris Heilman, Kenny Heilman		