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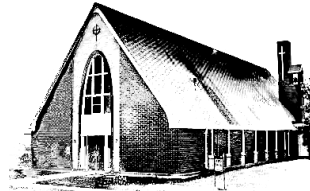


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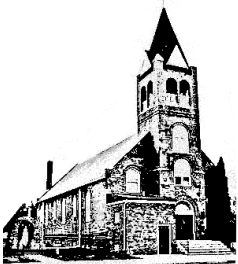
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OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL

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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 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.

THE EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME MARCH 2, 2025 THE HISTORIAN VOL. 39 NO. 9

Message from our Pastor

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

A letter from Bishop Folda along with a God's Gift Appeal brochure, a personalized pledge card, and a return envelope has been mailed to everyone registered in our parishes. The brochure identifies the ministries supported by the Appeal.



All households are invited to place their completed pledge card in the collection basket along with your usual Sunday offertory.

Thank you for your prayerful consideration and generosity. May the Lord continue to bless you!

Lent begins this week with Ash Wednesday. "Remember you are dust and to dust you shall return." Lent is a very important liturgical season, which the disciples of Christ take very seriously. Everyone is called to sanctity, to be saints. As John Henry Cardinal Newman wrote, "to live is to change, and to be perfect is to have changed often." The practices of Lent facilitate change in our lives, both interiorly and exteriorly.

"God knows what is my greatest happiness, but I do not. There is no rule about what is happy and good; what suits one would not suit another. And the ways by which perfection is reached vary very much; the medicines necessary for our souls are very different from each other. Thus, God leads us by strange ways; we know He wills our happiness, but we neither know what our happiness is, nor the way. We are blind; left to ourselves we should take the wrong way; we must leave it to Him" (John Henry Cardinal Newman).

May you have a blessed week!

Fr. Frank Miller
Pastor



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.

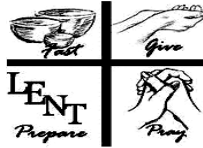
Anointing of the Sick
Please contact a priest when hospitalized or preparing for surgery or significant medical procedure.

Bulletin announcement deadline:
Noon on Wednesday

EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



This weekend is **Commitment Weekend for the 2025 God's Gift Appeal**. The Little Flower Parish goal is \$72,622; St. Mary's Parish goal is \$4,401; Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish goal is \$8,385. Please complete your pledge card, indicating your gift or pledge to our diocesan church. If you do not have a card, please fill out a commitment card located at all church entrances. It is important for all of us to participate in order to support our diocesan church.



Mass schedule for Ash Wednesday, March 5

Little Flower 9:00 AM and 7:30 PM

St. Mary's 6:00 PM

Our Lady of Mount Carmel 7:30 PM

Join Maggie Degenstein as she celebrates her 90th Birthday on Saturday, March 8 from 2:00 - 4:00 PM at AgCountry Farm Credit Services, 2974 HWY 2 East. No gifts, please.

There will be a meeting for those interested in the Little Flower Cemetery on March 10 at 7:00 PM in Dorothy's Room. This is your opportunity to participate in the care of the Little Flower Cemetery.

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 beginning on March 10.

The Knights of Columbus will lead the Stations of the Cross on Wednesdays following the 5:15 PM Mass beginning on March 12.

St. Mary's will have Mass and Stations of the Cross on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 PM beginning Wednesday, March 12.

Our Lady of Mount Carmel will have Mass and Stations of the Cross on Friday evenings at 7:00 PM beginning Friday, March 14.

The Little Flower Catholic Youth Organization will be hosting their annual **CYO Freewill Offering Rummage Sale** on Friday, March 14 and Saturday, March 15, from 8:00 AM - 7:00 PM. The rummage sale will be in the parish hall, downstairs at Little Flower Catholic Church. The CYO will be accepting donations of household items and clothing starting Sunday, March 9. Donations may be dropped off downstairs in the church religious education office. Please note, we are unable to accept large appliances or TVs but welcome any other gently used items. As we begin this season of Lent, this is a great way to unclutter and clean the closet as well as the soul!! We invite everyone to stop in at the Little Flower Freewill Offering Rummage Sale on March 14 and 15. Proceeds are used by the CYO to support annual youth retreats and activities!! This event is eligible for a matching \$1,000 grant from Catholic United Financial.

Little Flower Catholic School will be hosting a **Preschool and Kindergarten Information Night on April 1, 2025 from 5:30 - 6:30 PM**.

Come and tour our school, meet new friends, and meet the teachers and staff. There will be a presentation by Principal Leier at 5:30 PM. All denominations are welcome. Contact us at 701-776-6258 or office@littleflowercatholicsschool.com, or check out our website at lfsrugby.com.

Take Up Our Cross! 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. Adoration times

WEEKLY EVENTS

Sunday, March 2

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- Little Flower Mass 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM
- Little Flower Religious Ed class 9:15 AM
- Our Lady of Mount Carmel Mass 8:30 AM
- St. Mary's 10:30 AM

Monday, March 3

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

Tuesday, March 4

- 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 5

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
- Prayer for Life 3:00 PM

Thursday, March 6

- 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

Friday, March 7

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

Saturday, March 8

- 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 9

First Sunday of Lent

- Little Flower Mass 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM
- Little Flower Religious Ed class 9:15 AM
- Our Lady of Mount Carmel Mass 8:30 AM
- St. Mary's 10:30 AM

are on Monday from 5:45 PM - midnight; Tuesday 8:00 AM - 9:00 PM; and Thursday 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM. Consider joining an existing Adorer to fulfill the commitment for an hour. If you would like to participate in this devotion please contact the parish office at 776-6388.

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.

THANK YOU parishioners and the Little Flower CYO for your participation in the Women's Care Center's Baby Shower. In 2024 the Devils Lake Women's Care Center served 234 clients, clients attended 433 classes, and currently 73 babies are expected. Please see the Thank You letter from the Devils Lake Women's Care Center and more Women's Care Center statistics on the table at the front entrance of the church this week.

Little Flower Elevator Capital Campaign. The church elevator requires mechanical updates to ensure that the elevator remains in proper working order. Without the elevator many of our parishioners would not be able to attend Mass or church activities in the Parish Hall. It has also served as a more efficient way to transport deliveries into the church or church basement. The estimated cost of the required update is \$20,000. Donations in the amount \$15,075 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.

Stewardship Moments

"A good tree does not bear rotten fruit, nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit." - LUKE 6:43

Are you using your gifts in the way God intended? Have you asked God how He would like you to use them? Do you compare yourself to others and complain about what you don't have instead of being thankful for what you do have? God gives each of us unique gifts and a unique plan. Listen to how God is calling you to use your gifts, to bear good fruit, for the glory of His name.

STEWARDSHIP OFFERING

| February 22-23 | 2025 | 2024 |
|-------------------|------------|--------------|
| Little Flower | \$3,651.48 | \$6,350 |
| February 23, 2025 | Week | Year to Date |
| St. Mary's | \$137.26 | \$1,567.70 |
| OLMC | | |

2025 GOD'S GIFT APPEAL

| Little Flower | Year to Date |
|---------------|--------------|
| Goal | \$72,622 |
| Pledged | \$ |
| St. Mary's | |
| Goal | \$4,401 |
| Pledged | \$ |
| OLMC | |
| Goal | \$8,385 |
| Pledged | \$ |

St. Therese the Little Flower

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Catholic Daughters

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Deb Black, President 681-0192



St. Mary's Catholic Church

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Lisa Volk

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

Monday, March 3

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

Sir 17:20-24; Mk 10:17-27 Saint Katharine Drexel
† Rosanna Heilman by her family
† Helen Haman by Jeff and Marlene Mack
Adoration

Tuesday, March 4

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

Sir 35:1-12; Mk 10:28-31 Saint Casimir
† Helen Myhre by Deacon Rick and Denise Lagasse
Adoration
† Walter Busch by Joe and Mary Schmaltz

Wednesday, March 5

9:00 AM (LF)
6:00 AM (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
† Howard Duchscher by Helen Kremer
† Don Bischoff by Ed Volk
† Lorraine Mundahl by Doug and Shelley Mundahl
† Agnes Axtman by friends and family

Thursday, March 6

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

Dt 30:15-20; Lk 9:22-25
Young People of the Parish by the Christian Mothers
Adoration
† Agnes Heilman by John Heilman
† Ken Schaan by Bonnie Daily

Friday, March 7

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

Is 58:1-9a; Mt 9:14-15 Saints Perpetua and Felicity
† Magdalena Sander by Dorothy J. Sander
Birthday Blessings for Rose Ann Rodeman by Marian Schmaltz

Saturday, March 8

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

Is 58:9b-14; Lk 5:27-32 Saint John of God
† Donnis Busch by Angie Busch
Dt 26:4-10; Rom 10:8-13; Lk 4:1-13 First Sunday of Lent
† Robert Koble by Dan and Kari Burkhardtmeier

Sunday, March 9

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

Dt 26:4-10; Rom 10:8-13; Lk 4:1-13 First Sunday of Lent
† Raymond and Rosanna Heilman by their family
† Wesley and Rita Muffenbier by Larry and Diane Muffenbier .
Mass for the People
† Glen Miller by Deacon Rick and Denise Lagasse

The broadcast of the 8:00 AM Sunday Mass on 1450 KZZJ AM and 92.1 FM is sponsored in memory of Raymond and Rosanna Heilman by their family.

SERVING OUR PARISHES MARCH 8-9

| St. Therese | Altar Servers | Lector | Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion | | | |
|------------------------|---|---|---|--|----------------------|-------------------------------|
| 9:00 AM Wednesday | † Oakley Benson Lane Arnston Finnley Zwingel | Monica Houim | Rita Graber Volunteer needed | | | |
| 7:30 PM Wednesday | † Carter Teigen, Caleb Schaan Maddex Kirchofner | Royanne Livedalen Mauvlyn Kirchofner | Vernice Brossart Volunteer needed | | | |
| 5:00 PM Saturday | Volunteers | Kathleen Heilman | Diane Dufner Dorice Duchscherer | | | |
| 8:00 AM Sunday | Volunteers | Jeremy Wald | Rose Schneibel | | | |
| 10:30 AM Sunday | Nora Schmaltz Beth Schmaltz Paisley Wangler | Royanne Livedalen | Nicholas Schmaltz Jacinta Schmaltz | | | |
| St. Mary | Sacristan/Reader | Altar Servers | Ushers | EMHC | Gifts | Church Cleaning |
| 6:00 PM Wednesday | † Wanda Follman | Marisa Bohl Titus Volk | Tim Sattler Al Follman | Wanda Follman | Kenny Bohl Family | Hoffert & Pfeifer Families |
| 10:30 AM Sunday | Wanda Follman | Marisa Bohl Titus Volk | Tim Sattler Al Follman | Wanda Follman | Kenny Bohl Family | Hoffert & Pfeifer Families |
| Our Lady of Mt. Carmel | Lector | Altar Servers | EMHC | Church Care | | |
| 7:30 PM Wednesday | † Riley Schaan | Volunteers | Diane Muffenbier | Wes Hall, Joe Haman, Chris Heilman, Kenny Heilman | | |
| 8:30 AM Sunday | Julie Baustad | Volunteers | Erin Schaan | Wes Hall, Joe Haman, Chris Heilman, Kenny Heilman | | |