

# ST. THERESE THE LITTLE FLOWER

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# ST. MARY



### St. Therese Little Flower Parish

Rectory: 776-6388  
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www.littleflowerrugby.org

### Eucharistic Liturgies

Saturday Vigil 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.  
Weekdays as scheduled on back page  
(Mass of the day in the church will be canceled when a funeral Mass is scheduled)

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 9 - 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 5:30 p.m. - Midnight  
Tuesdays 7:30 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.  
Thursdays 7:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

If funeral is scheduled begins at 1:00 p.m.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT MARCH 31, 2019 THE HISTORIAN VOL. 34 NO. 13

## Sunday by Sunday edited by Michael E. Novak

### “LET US CELEBRATE WITH A FEAST”

As we leave winter behind and enter into the home stretch of our Lenten journey we have good reason to celebrate. We know that with each new sunrise we will enjoy more warmth and daylight. We know also that Christ, our risen “Sun,” is bringing more and more warmth and light into the world with each new day. How better to celebrate than with a feast! The first reading, the psalm, and the Gospel for this Sunday all refer to feasts. Each of these feasts celebrates what the psalm calls “the goodness of the Lord” (Psalm 34:9). The spring Passover festival in the reading from Joshua celebrates God’s gift of the land of Canaan to the Israelites. In the Gospel parable the father doesn’t give a thought to his prodigal son’s sins or to his own injured feelings. He proclaims, “Let us celebrate with a feast!” (Luke 15:23). He then leaves his own banquet to encourage his elder son to “celebrate and rejoice, because your brother was dead and has come to life again” (Luke 15:32).

### MINISTRY OF RECONCILIATION

All three of these feasts point to the one banquet that we will celebrate in the promised land of heaven, and that we anticipate in the Eucharistic banquet. At the Eucharist we celebrate the infinite forgiveness and love God has shown us in Christ. However, we are not simply to relax at the table and drink in our own forgiveness. St. Paul reminds us that God has “given us the ministry of reconciliation” (2 Corinthians 5:18). Like the brothers in the parable, God’s generosity to us should open our hearts to forgive and ask forgiveness of our brothers and sisters in Christ. Like the father in the parable, we are to be “ambassadors for Christ,” extending “the message of reconciliation” (2 Corinthians 5:19, 20) to all those who need Christ’s reconciling forgiveness. The heavenly banquet will not be complete until all people come to the feast and “taste and see the goodness of the Lord” (Psalm 34:9). Copyright © 2006, World Library Publications. All rights reserved.



### St. Mary Parish, Knox

Eucharistic Liturgy  
Sunday 9:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation  
Sunday 8:00 - 8:45 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. - 4:00 p.m. or contact the parish office.

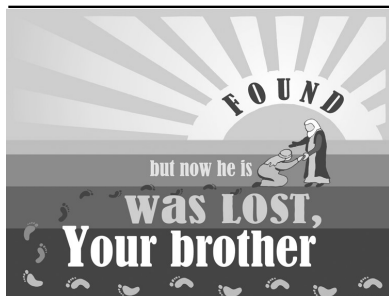
### Communion to the Sick and Homebound

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.

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT



**St. Mary's in Knox will be celebrating!!** Congratulations to Leila Follman, Bentley Bohl and Braden Brossart on completing preparation for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. A BIG thank you to their parents, family, catechists and St. Therese the Little Flower Parish for their time and effort in sharing the mercy of God. All are welcome for cake and a potluck March 31 after Mass.

**Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church** of Balta will be serving breakfast on Sunday, March 31 at the Rugby Eagles. Join them for pancakes, sausage, scrambled eggs, coffee, juice from 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM. Freewill offering.

**The LF Pastoral Council will meet Tuesday, April 2 at 7:00 PM in Dorothy's Room.**

**Be Still and Know that I am your God!** Everyone is invited to a **Lenten Day of Reflection facilitated by Sr. Mary Ruth Thursday, April 4 from 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM** in the Msgr. Cloos Dining Room. There is a registration fee of \$10.00 which includes a noon meal. Please call Monica at 208-0461 to preregister.

**Prayers for our Confirmation Candidates.** We joyfully request prayer partners from St. Therese the Little Flower Parish for the 3rd grade students who will be receiving the sacraments of Confirmation and First Communion. A prayer board has been placed in the east alcove with the names of students who are preparing to receive their sacraments on April 5. Please visit the alcove and take the name of a student and their family to pray for during this preparation period.

**Celebration of Confirmation and First Communion:** Mass with Bishop Folda will be at 6:00 PM on Friday, April 5. Confirmation students and their sponsors should arrive and check-in at the Msgr. Cloos Dining Room at 5:15 PM.

Little Flower School will be hosting a **"Kindergarten Open House"** for any families interested in attending kindergarten at Little Flower School. The open house will be held **Thursday, April 4 from 5:30 - 6:30 PM** in the kindergarten room. The kindergarten teacher, Miss Heilman, a PTO member, and administration will be available to give you and your children a tour of the school and answer any questions you may have. If you are unable to attend the Open House, please contact the school office and we will gladly meet with you at your convenience to discuss the great opportunities that Little Flower has to provide.

Kindergarten registration for the **2019-20** school year is set for **April 8 - 12 from 8:00 AM - 3:00 PM** in the school office. To be eligible for kindergarten, students must turn 5 years of age by midnight July 31, 2019. Please bring a copy of your child's birth certificate and immunization record.

**Little Flower Parish Lenten Reconciliation Services** will be held Wednesday, April 10 at 3:00 PM and 7:00 PM. Parishioners are encouraged to take advantage of this wonderful opportunity for confession. Several area priests will join Father Tom and Father Prabhakar for your convenience. You are encouraged to join us for a brief reflection at the beginning of the service and celebrate this sacrament of forgiveness and healing. See the front page for our regularly scheduled confession times.

### Local Area Penance Services:

April 1 - St. Cecilia's, Towner at 7:00 PM; April 7 - St. Mark's, Bottineau at 7:00 PM  
April 7 - Sacred Heart, Rolette at 7:00 PM; April 11 - St. Cecilia's, Harvey at 7:00 PM  
April 12 - Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Balta at 7:00 PM  
April 10 - Little Flower, Rugby at 3:00 PM and 7:00 PM

In today's Gospel the prodigal son repents and finds mercy in the heart of his father. Know that your penance during Lent can give the poor the grace of finding the merciful heart of God the Father. During the month of March, through your gifts, we were able to assist a family with food, another family with their utility bills and two families with rent. **Members of the St. Therese the Little Flower Conference of the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul will be meeting April 11 at 7:00 PM in Dorothy's Room. New members are always welcome.**

**Thank you to Little Flower Parish** for your support of items, work and donations at our annual CYO freewill rummage sale. Over \$1600 was raised to fund our CYO teen ministry for the 2019-2020 school year!



### Sunday, March 31

#### Fourth Sunday of Lent

- Coins for Kids Collection - Catholic Relief Services—Operation Rice Bowl
- LF Religious Ed 9:15 AM
- St. Mary's First Reconciliation Potluck Celebration
- Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church Breakfast at the Rugby Eagles 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

### Monday, April 1

- Stations of the Cross 4:15 PM
- Eucharistic Adoration 5:30 PM - midnight

### Tuesday, April 2

- Eucharistic Adoration 7:30 AM - 10:00 PM
- LF Pastoral Council Meeting 7:00 PM

### Wednesday, April 3

- Stations of the Cross 5:30 PM
- Buck-a-Luck 6:00; CYO 6:30, Class 7:15 PM
- St. Mary Stations of the Cross and Mass 7 PM

### Thursday, April 4

- Eucharistic Adoration 7:30 AM - 6:00 PM
- Lenten Day of Reflection 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM
- Confession 1:00 - 5:00 PM
- LFS Open House 5:30 - 6:30 PM

### Friday, April 5

- Confirmation/First Communion Mass 6 PM

### Sunday, April 7

#### Fifth Sunday of Lent

- LF Religious Ed 9:15 AM
- LF Parish Celebration of First Communion at 10:30 Mass, potluck following

**Little Flower Parents**, please make time to help your child with their grade level prayers on their class prayer chart. These can be found in their blue prayer folder. Spring is here and we have until May 6 to complete our prayer charts. Our Parish Prayer medal service will be held on May 12 at the 10:30 Mass. All parish children who have learned their grade level prayers will receive a prayer medal.

**FORMED — The Catholic Faith on Demand  
Stations of the Cross by Saint Alphonsus Liguori**

Journey with Christ to Calvary. Personally follow Christ and His Sorrowful Mother on their journey to Calvary with the Stations of the Cross. Moving meditations by Saint Alphonsus Liguori accompanied by the beautiful Latin hymn, Stabat Mater, draw you into a more intimate experience of the Church's powerful Lenten prayer. Register by going to [Formed.org](http://Formed.org) and entering our parish code K7Z623 and then explore the many free Catholic selections.

**Do you need a "retreat" from the world around you?** Experience God in a personal and real way. SEARCH for Christian Maturity has a retreat coming up April 26-28, 2019 at Maryvale Convent in Valley City, ND. Youth and young adults 16 and older are invited to attend. Details and application at <http://www.fargodiocese-search.org/home> or call Dori at 952-210-2219. **Applications are due no later than Monday, April 8th.**

**There will be a Life in The Spirit Seminar** at the Queen of Peace Pastoral Center at St. Ann's Catholic Church, Belcourt ND. The seminar will begin at 7:00 PM on Friday, April 26 and ends at 3:00 PM Sunday, April 28. Housing is available. Cost is freewill offering. Please contact the Parish Office at 477-5601 ext. 0 for registration/housing/questions or email [SAsecretary@utma.com](mailto:SAsecretary@utma.com).

**Young Disciples Missionaries.** Where is God calling you this summer? The Young Disciples Program is in need of young adult missionaries who are called to spend the summer sharing Jesus Christ and His Church through vacation Bible schools and teen retreats. Applications and more information can also be found on our website [www.fargodiocese.org/youngdisciples](http://www.fargodiocese.org/youngdisciples). The commitment is 10 weeks, from May 15 - July 30. Training costs, room, board, transportation throughout the summer and a stipend are provided. For more info contact the Young Disciples Office (701) 356-7908 or e-mail: [ashley.grunhovd@fargodiocese.org](mailto:ashley.grunhovd@fargodiocese.org). Applications will be accepted until teams are full.

**St. Catherine Elementary School in Valley City, ND** is seeking a part-time music and band instructor and a part-time physical education instructor beginning the 2019-2020 school year. Applicants are required to submit a cover letter, resume, current transcripts and contact information for three professional references to Jenny Faure at: [jenny.faure@k12.nd.us](mailto:jenny.faure@k12.nd.us) Application review will begin May 1, 2019.

### **Treasures from Our Tradition**

Today, "Laetare Sunday," breaks the somberness of Lent for a little rejoicing, and the readings all summon us to an awareness of reconciliation. One of the best-loved stories of our tradition is today's Gospel story of the runaway son and the prodigal father. Prodigal, of course, is an adjective meaning "spendthrift or extravagant to a degree bordering on recklessness," and although the boy maxes out the credit cards, it is really the father who is prodigal with forgiveness.

Part of the excitement of this Laetare Sunday is rooted in the ancient catechumenate. Long ago, midway through Lent, the "elect" were focusing more and more on the gift of reconciliation accomplished for them by Christ and about to be realized in the Easter sacraments they were preparing to celebrate. In some places, the elect were even bedecked with roses on this day. A person bedecked with roses sticks out in a crowd; a person formed by the Eucharist and committed to living a life of reconciliation does, too. That's you! Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S.

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**(LF-Little Flower; SM-St. Mary's; HE-Haaland Estates; HOSP - Hospital)**

**Monday, April 1**  
 4:15 PM (LF) Stations of the Cross  
 5:00 PM (LF) Special Intention of Greg Rolle by Elvina Bingham

**Tuesday, April 2**  
 7:00 AM (LF) Ez 47:1-9, 12; Jn 5:1-16 Saint Francis of Paola  
 † Frank Kraft by Ed and Elaine Selensky  
 9:00 AM (HE) Rosary and Communion Service

**Wednesday, April 3**  
 10:00 AM (HOSP) Is 49:8-15; Jn 5:17-30  
 Leo and Barb Vetter by their family  
 5:00 PM (LF) Safe delivery for Melissa and baby Natalie by Elvina Bingham  
 5:30 PM (LF) Stations of the Cross  
 7:00 PM (SM) Stations of the Cross  
 7:20 PM (SM) † Ed Heilman by Mark and Susan Hoffert

**Thursday, April 4**  
 7:00 AM (LF) Ex 32:7-14; Jn 5:31-47 St. Isidore  
 † Margaret Brossart by Edward Brossart and family  
 9:00 AM (HE) † Duane Schall by Francis Pfeifer

**Friday, April 5**  
 9:00 AM (LF) Wi 2:1, 12-22; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30 Saint Vincent Ferrer  
 6:00 PM (LF) † Rosanna Heilman by Barbara Burgard and family  
 Confirmation and First Eucharist

**Saturday, April 6**  
 8:00 AM (LF) Jer 11:18-20; Jn 7:40-53  
 † Roy Pfeifer by family and friends  
 5:00 PM (LF) † Thomas Burgard by Al and Donna Jundt

**Sunday, April 7**  
 8:00 AM (LF) Is 43:16-21; Phil 3:8-14; Jn 8:1-11 Fifth Sunday of Lent  
 9:00 AM (SM) Deceased and living family members of Maggie Degenstein  
 † George Sattler by friends and family  
 10:30 AM (LF) Mass for the Parish

The broadcast of the 8:00 AM Sunday Mass on KZZJ is sponsored by Maggie Degenstein in honor of her living family and in memory of her deceased family members.

**STEWARDSHIP OFFERING MARCH 23/24**

Little Flower Parish	Week	Year to Date
Budgeted	\$9,742.00	\$116,904.00
<b>Little Flower Parish</b>	\$7,537.15	\$93,652.88
Increase/Decrease (+ or -)	-\$2,204.85	-23,251.12
50 Cents a Day Charity	\$5.00	\$595.50
Children's Envelopes	\$45.16	\$341.30
<b>St. Mary's</b>	\$210.51	\$4,204.37

**2019 GOD'S GIFT APPEAL CAMPAIGN**

Little Flower Parish	Year to Date
Goal	\$56,245
Pledged	\$33,034
<b>St. Mary's</b>	
Goal	\$4,950
Pledged	\$3,265

**SERVING OUR PARISHES APRIL 6/7**

St. Therese	Altar Servers	Lector	Eucharist Minister	Family Offertory		
<b>5:00 PM Saturday</b>	Volunteer Opportunity	Theone Stevenson	Diane Dufner (Homes) Kathleen Heilman (Church)			
<b>8:00 AM Sunday</b>	Carson Mattern Katelyn Mattern	Denise Lagasse	Mark Johnson (Hosp) Rita Graber (HE) Vernice Brossart (Homes)			
<b>10:30 AM Sunday</b>	Nathan Livedalen Mikaylee Livedalen Royanne Livedalen	Lori Tangen	Mary Schmaltz Joe Schmaltz Dale Wangler	Mike and Heidi Voeller		
St. Mary	Sacristan/Reader	Altar Servers	Ushers	Eucharist	Gifts	Church Care
<b>9:00 AM Sunday</b>	Brenda Mitzel Mark Hoffert	Bria Brossart Isaac Volk	Adam Lynn Bohl Darrell Hoffart	Mark Hoffert Phil Volk	Tyson Follman Family	Adam Bohl Family Adam Lynn Bohl Family