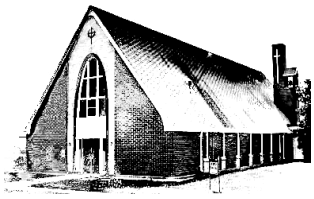
THE PARISHES OF:

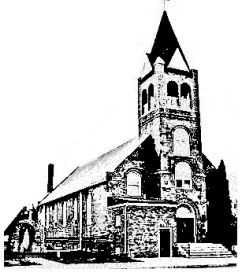
St. Therese the Little Flower

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

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JUNE 28, 2026 THE HISTORIAN VOL. 41 NO. 25

Message from our Pastor

Dear Parishioners and School Families,

This weekend marks the first Sunday together in this new assignment, and I want to express my gratitude for the warm welcome I have already received. After nine years serving the people of New Rockford and McHenry, I am grateful for the opportunity to begin this new chapter with you.

Fr. Peter Nau also begins this weekend, and it is a joy to begin this new chapter together. May he find the same warm welcome you have shown me.

Encountering Jesus Christ has changed my life and lies at the heart of the priesthood. As priests, we are called to help others encounter Him as well. With that shared mission, we look forward to getting to know you.

As we begin our ministry here, we ask your prayers that we may be faithful shepherds, and we assure you of our prayers for all of you. Our first goal is to listen and learn. Every parish has its own history, traditions, strengths, and stories. Before making plans or discussing new initiatives, we want to get to know you, hear your stories, and learn from you. We are grateful to be joining communities that have been faithfully living the Gospel long before our arrival, and we look forward to serving alongside you.

Please introduce yourselves after Mass or whenever our paths cross. We look forward to meeting you and serving you in the years ahead.

In Christ,
Fr. Reese Weber

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. - 10:00 p.m.
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 2pm; if a funeral is scheduled at 2pm adoration will be from 8am - 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.

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.

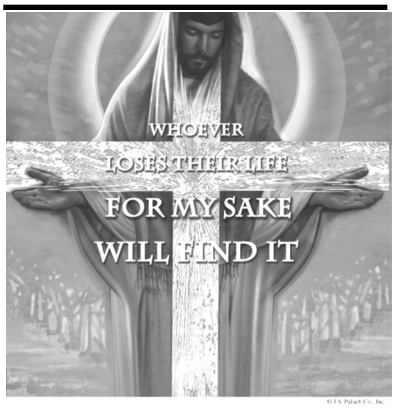
New Parishioners
Please register at the parish office 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. or contact the parish office.

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

THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



WEEKLY EVENTS

Sunday, June 28
Thirteenth 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

Monday, June 29
- Little Flower Mass 7:30 AM and 5:15 PM
- Little Flower Adoration 5:45 PM - 10:00 PM

Tuesday, June 30
- Little Flower Mass 7:30 AM
- Haaland Estates Mass 9:00 AM
- Adoration 8:00 AM - 9:00 PM
- Little Flower Confessions 6:30 - 7:30 PM

Wednesday, July 1
- Little Flower Mass 7:30 AM and 5:15 PM
- Our Lady of Mount Carmel Mass 9:30 AM
- Little Flower Prayer for Life 3:00 PM

Thursday, July 2
- 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, July 3
- Little Flower Mass 7:30 AM and 9:00 AM with fellowship following in Dorothy's Room

Saturday, July 4
- Little Flower Mass 8:00 AM
- Little Flower Confessions 8:30 - 10:30 AM; 4:15 - 4:45 PM
- Little Flower Vigil Mass 5:00 PM

Sunday, July 5
Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Little Flower Mass 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM
- Our Lady of Mount Carmel Mass 8:30 AM
- St. Mary's Mass 10:30 AM

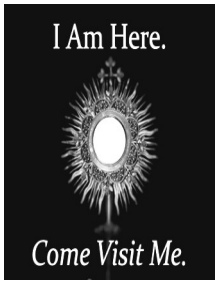
The Little Flower Catholic School Advisory Council will be meeting on Monday, July 13 at 7:00 AM.

The Catholic Daughters will meet on Thursday, July 16th with rosary at 5:00 PM followed by the meeting.

The St. Therese the Little Flower Conference of the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul will be meeting on Thursday, July 16th at 7:00 PM in Dorothy's Room.

Children attending Trinity Youth Camp this summer can receive a prorated reimbursement from the Knights of Columbus and Christian Mothers. Parents should notify Grand Knight Brian Blessum or DRE Casandra Zwingel. Reimbursement checks will be mailed at summer's end. Thank you.

The Prayer for Life group meets on Wednesdays at 3:00 PM in Little Flower Church. Please join us as we gather to pray for an end to abortion, the conversion of hearts, a greater respect for human life, and in reparation for the sins committed against the gift of life. We begin at 3:00 PM with the Rosary, the Litany in Response to Abortion, and end with the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. Everyone is welcome!



Visiting the Blessed Sacrament is one of the most enriching practices within the Catholic faith. This act of devotion to the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist allows us to experience His Love and Grace in a very profound way. It is a moment of personal encounter with Christ, which invites us to reflect, pray and strengthen our relationship with Him. **Are you able to spend just one hour in Eucharistic Adoration with our Lord?** We need someone from ***11:00 AM - noon on Tuesday.*** Consider teaming up with a friend or family member to fulfill the commitment. Please contact the parish office if you are able to meet this need.

Little Flower Church Northeast Entrance Steps Capital Campaign. The northeast entrance steps of Little Flower Church are in need of important repairs, and we are launching a Capital Campaign to fund this project. If you feel called to contribute, please make checks payable to Little Flower Church. Place your donation in an envelope marked "Step Capital Campaign" and drop it in the collection basket, or bring it directly to the parish office. Your generosity helps keep our parish safe, welcoming, and beautiful. Thank you for your support.

There are openings to sponsor the 8:00 AM Sunday Mass on KZZJ 1450 AM and 92.1 FM radio beginning on July 12. The total cost is $75.00; the broadcast is $65.00 and the Mass stipend $10.00 and may be made in memory of loved ones or in honor of special occasions. To sponsor a broadcast please contact the parish office at 776-6388 extension 4 or drop the information in the collection basket. Mass intention/KZZJ broadcast forms are available on the table at the front entrance of the church.

In the Gospel today, we hear Jesus say: "Everyone who acknowledges me before others I will acknowledge before my heavenly Father." **The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is collecting donations of yarn for inmates at our local correctional center who crochet blankets for those in need.** New or gently used yarn in any color is appreciated. Donations may be placed in the food pantry baskets or call Joyce for pickup at (701) 208-0858. Thank you for supporting this meaningful ministry.

Join us in prayer. — We Need Catechists for next year.

Our parish will be losing five catechists, including our Junior and Senior class teachers. This leaves a big gap in our religious education program, and the youth of this parish need faithful guides. So here is the bold ask: Please join in prayer that the Lord stirs the hearts of His faithful and sends someone forward as He has in the past. "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field." Matthew 9:37–38.

If the Lord is stirring something in your heart — even quietly — please reach out. St. Charles Borromeo, pray for us. Contact Casandra Zwingel, DRE to learn more.

Little Flower Parish is looking for a reliable, organized individual to serve as their parish secretary. Some of the duties include answering the phone, greeting visitors, preparing bulletins, maintaining sacramental records, and assisting the pastor and staff. Office experience, basic financial record keeping, and knowledge of the Catholic faith is helpful. Hourly wage, flexible hours, retirement and health care benefits. To apply, submit a résumé to reese.weber@fargodiocese.org or bring it to the parish office.

Putt 4 a Purpose—Golf Event. Bishop John Folda invites you to *Putt 4 a Purpose*, at the 20th Annual Bishop's Charity Golf Classic, benefiting Seminarian Education and Youth Programs. Join the fun and fellowship by heading to Rose Creek Golf Course in south Fargo on Monday, August 3 for a round of golf, dinner and prizes. Register 3 golfers and bring your priest, deacon, or seminarian as your 4th player for free! If you are not a golfer, please consider sponsoring a priest or seminarian or a hole on the golf course. Your contribution will help support the event and defray costs. Register online at www.fargodiocese.org/puttpurpose. For further information, contact Steve Schons in the Stewardship and Development Office at 701-356-7926 or email steve.schons@fargodiocese.org.

Stewardship Moments

"…whoever does not take up his cross and follow after me is not worthy of me." MATTHEW 10:38

Pope Benedict XVI said "The world offers you comfort. But you were not made for comfort, you were made for greatness". "Comfort" puts me first. "Picking up your cross and following Jesus" puts God and others first. Why settle for comfort when you can achieve greatness! Pick up your cross, ask Jesus for guidance on using your gifts and live the life God intended for you!

STEWARDSHIP OFFERING

June 20-21, 2026	2026	2025
Little Flower	$10,609.00	$8,906.89
June 14, 2026	**Week**	**Year to Date**
St. Mary's		
6-14-26	$294.75	
6-21-26	$171.00	$6,531.69
OLMC		

2026 GOD'S GIFT APPEAL

Little Flower	Year to Date
Goal	$62,558
Pledged	$49,286
St. Mary's	
Goal	$3,999
Pledged	$4,483
OLMC	
Goal	$8,934
Pledged	$6,717

St. Therese the Little Flower

Priests: 776-6388 Ext 1
Rev. Reese Weber, Pastor
776-6388 Ext 2
Rev. Peter Nau, Parochial Vicar

Deacons
Arlen Blessum
acblessum@hotmail.com
Richard Lagasse
richard.lagasse@fargodiocese.org

Parish Secretary - 776-6388 Ext 4
Deb Millang
lfparish@gondtc.com

Bookkeeper - 776-6388 Ext 7
Heidi Voeller
lfpfinance@gondtc.com

Religious Education - 776-6388 Ext 6
Casandra Zwingel
lfre@gondtc.com
208-0429 M - F 8am - 5pm

Catholic Youth Organization
Lisa Volk - 583-2338

Knights of Columbus
Brian Blessum, Grand Knight

Christian Mothers
Theone Stevenson, President

Catholic Daughters
Valerie Bachmeier, Regent

Parish Music Ministry
Glenda Mack - 776-5179

Society of Saint Vincent de Paul
Deb Black, President 681-0192

St. Mary's Catholic Church

Religious Education
Lisa Volk

Parish Council
Kenny Bohl

St. Mary's Ladies Society
Kristen Bohl

Parish Music Ministry
Susan Hoffert

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

Religious Education
Samantha Wentz

Parish Council
Pete Burgard

Altar Society
Bernice Axtman 542-3385

Music Ministry
Wanda Kremer - 542-3338

Little Flower School - 776-6258

Principal - 776-6258
Kevin Leier
kevin.leier@littleflowercatholicschool.com

Secretary - 776-6258
Rhonda Livedalen
office@littleflowercatholicschool.com

Parish/School Custodian
Deacon Jonathan Brewer

Church/School Kitchen 776-6388 Ext 5

Anderson Funeral Homes, Inc. Rugby & Towner

Deplazes Redi-Mix and Construction, LLC

First United Bank

H. E. Everson Co. Auto Parts & Supplies

Harper Oil

Horizon Ag Services

Integrity Appraisals

Knights of Columbus Insurance

M. J. McGuire Co.

Mack Law Offices, P.C.

Main Street Boutique

Martinson Ag Risk Management

Merchants Bank

Mike Swanson Construction

Niewoehner Funeral Home

Old National Bank

Prairie Strands

Precision Auto Body & Glass

Rugby Broadcasters KZZJ & KKWZ

Rugby Eagles

Rugby Insurance Agency

Rugby Veterinary Service, PC

St. Michel Furniture

Schneider Aerial, Inc.

Volk Excavating - Knox

For information about becoming a sponsor of the Little Flower Historian please contact Heidi in the business office at 776-6388.

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

Monday, June 29 — Acts 12:1-11; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19 Saints Peter and Paul
7:30 AM (LF) † Joe and Charlotte Tuchscherer by Marlene Schaan
5:15 PM (LF) † Larry Schumacker by Frank Schumacker
5:45 PM (LF) Adoration

Tuesday, June 30 — Am 3:1-8;4:11-12; Mt 8:23-27 The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church
7:30 AM (LF) Young People of the Parish by the Christian Mothers
8:00 AM (LF) Adoration
9:10 AM (HE) † Jerome Voeller by Chuck and Dorothy Hooker

Wednesday, July 1 — Am 5:14-15, 21-24; Mt 8:28-34 St. Junipero Serra
7:30 AM (LF) † Ted Mitzel by Nick and Bernie Senger
9:30 AM (OLMC) † John Laramie by LeeAllen and Rebecca Leier
5:15 PM (LF) † Denise Lagasse by Pete and Mary Murtaugh

Thursday, July 2 — Am 7:10-17; Mt 9:1-8
7:30 AM (LF) † Heidi Tank by Deacon Rick and Denise Lagasse
8:00 AM (LF) Adoration
9:10 AM (HE) † Beatrice Schmaltz by Ron and Melissa Ripplinger
10:30 AM (Hosp) † Barbara Kuntz by Donna Adam

Friday, July 3 — Eph 2:19-22; Jn 20:24-29 Saint Thomas
7:30 AM (LF) † Vergil Dufner by Diane Dufner
9:00 AM (LF) † Joe and Bernie Volk by Randy and Heidi Luraas

Saturday, July 4 — Am 9:11-15; Mt 9:14-17 Independence Day
8:00 AM (LF) † Loretta Heilman by Lloyd and Mary Voeller
Zec 9:9-10; Rom 8:9,11-13; Mt 11:25-30 Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00 PM (LF) † Ed Selensky by friends and family

Sunday, July 5 — Zec 9:9-10; Rom 8:9,11-13; Mt 11:25-30 Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 AM (LF) Living & deceased Heilman and Schmidt family members by family
8:30 AM (OLMC) † Joe Fritel by Alice Bohl
10:30 AM (LF) Mass for the People
10:30 AM (SM) † Kira Lemar by Cindy Lemar

The broadcast of the 8:00 AM Sunday Mass on 1450 KZZJ AM and 92.1 FM is sponsored for the living and deceased Heilman and Schmidt family members by family.

SERVING OUR PARISHES JULY 4-5

St. Therese	Altar Servers	Lector	Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion
5:00 PM Saturday	Volunteers Needed	Theone Stevenson	Vernice Brossart Diane Dufner
8:00 AM Sunday	Braden Brossart Beric Brossart	Bria Brossart	Chris Brossart Jennie Brossart
10:30 AM Sunday	Clare Livedalen Levi Selensky Crosby Zwingel	Royanne Livedalen	Brian Blessum Sue Blessum

St. Mary	Sacristan/Reader	Altar Servers	Ushers	EMHC	Gifts	Church Cleaning
10:30 AM Sunday	Charlet Bohl Bob Fritel	Tosten Bohl Micah Bohl	Mark Hoffert Jerald Bohl	Mark Hoffert	Kenny Bohl Family	Bosch Family

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel	Lector	Altar Servers	EMHC	Church Care
8:30 AM Sunday	Julie Baustad	Volunteers	Alice Bohl	Joe Axtman, Diane Dodd, Chad Duchscher, Julie Baustad