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St. Therese the Little Flower

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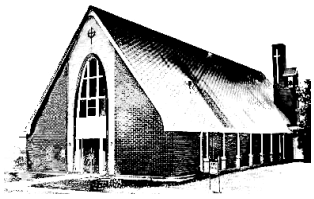
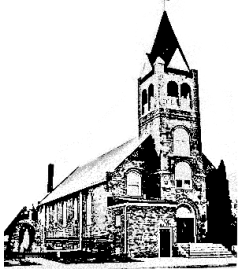


St. Mary's

129 S MORGAN STREET, KNOX, ND



Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

301 MAIN STREET N, BALTA ND

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SEPTEMBER 27, 2026 THE HISTORIAN VOL. 41 NO. 38

ENCOUNTER:

Meeting the Living Jesus

PARISH MISSION

"Being Christian is not the result of an ethical choice or a lofty idea, but the encounter with an event, a Person, which gives life a new horizon and a decisive direction" (Pope Benedict XVI in Deus Caritas Est, 1).

Over 2,000 years ago, in a tiny region of Galilee, the disciples had an encounter with a love that changed the trajectory of their lives in an instant. That Love, that Person, is still alive today, seeking an encounter with **YOU.**

Will you encounter Him?

St. Therese Catholic Church

Sep 30 – 6:00 pm meal, 7:00 pm Parish Mission

Oct 1 – 7:00 pm Parish Mission

Speaker: Fr. Reese Weber

Bring potluck dish to the meal if you wish.

All are invited, Catholics and non-Catholics.

For more information, contact our parish office at (701) 776-6388

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.
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

The Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Weekly Events

Sunday, September 27
Twenty-Sixth 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

Monday, September 28
- Little Flower Mass Cancelled
- Little Flower Adoration 5:45 PM - 10:00 PM

Tuesday, September 29
- Little Flower Adoration 8:00 AM - 9:00 PM
- Haaland Estates Communion Service 9:10 AM
- Little Flower Confessions Cancelled

Wednesday, September 30
- Little Flower Mass Cancelled
- Our Lady of Mount Carmel Mass Cancelled
- Little Flower Prayer for Life 3:00 PM
- Little Way Religious Ed Class 5:30 PM
- Parish Potluck 6:00 PM
- "Encounter" Parish Mission 7:00 PM

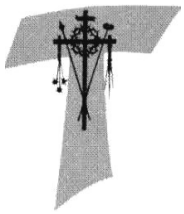
Thursday, October 1
- Little Flower Adoration 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
- Haaland Estates Mass 9:10 AM
- Little Flower Mass 5:15 PM
- "Encounter" Parish Mission 7:00 PM
- Little Flower Confessions 8:30 PM - 9:30 PM

Friday, October 2
- Little Flower Mass 9:00 AM with movie following in Dorothy's Room
- Hospital Mass 10:30 AM

Saturday, October 3
- 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, October 4
Twenty-Seventh 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

Note from Fr. Reese: A recent article in the Pierce County Tribune welcoming me as the new pastor contained an unfortunate error stating that I had previously been in jail. I have served in jail ministry, and it appears there was some misunderstanding regarding that part of my background. For clarification, I have never been incarcerated or convicted of a crime. The Diocese has contacted the newspaper and requested a correction. I simply wanted to clarify this for our parishioners and avoid any confusion.



Lord, Teach Me to Pray. Are you looking to deepen your prayer life this year? Join Sr. Mary Ruth for a six-month series, "Lord, Teach Me to Pray," based on the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius. Participants will meet Monday mornings from 6:00 - 7:15 AM (online or in-person at the St. Francis Retreat Center, Hankinson, ND). We ask that you commit to both semesters (September 14 - December 7 AND January 11 - April 12) when joining. **If interested, contact Sr. Mary Ruth at (701) 242-7195 or srmaryruth@sfcretreats.org.**

Catholic Charities Sunday will be celebrated this weekend! Catholic Charities assists thousands of individuals, couples and families all across North Dakota through these services: Adults Adopting Special Kids (AASK); Counseling Services for individuals, couples, and families; Guardianship Division; Intellectual Disabilities; Guardianship Services; Vulnerable; North Dakota Post Adopt Network; Pregnancy, Parenting, and Adoption Services (PPAS). Our new video is available at www.CatholicCharitiesND.org. **Questions? Call 701-235-4457 or email info@catholiccharitiesnd.org.** Donation envelopes will be included inside bulletins, please place your donation in the collection basket or bring it to the parish office. **Thank you for your generosity.**

World's Finest Chocolate is here and available. This phenomenal fundraiser for the religious education program helps cover the costs from meals & supplies to camps & conferences. The Little Flower CYO can't thank those who have donated enough for their support in the success of this fundraiser. This year, the chocolate covered raisins are back, in addition to pecans and pretzels. To purchase chocolate, individual sales can be made from any CYO teen, or the religious education office. **For any questions or concerns, please contact Lisa Volk at (701) 208-0931.**

Thank you to all who attended and donated at our Women's Care Center Life Walk. The walk and fundraiser was a success thanks to all those who walked and/or donated. If you were unable to attend the Women's Care Center Life Walk Event on September 20th, it is not too late to make a donation. All proceeds go to support the work of the Women's Care Center. **Donations may be brought to the parish office or dropped in the collection basket.** The Women's Care Center mission is to help pregnant women from our communities choose life for their babies, have healthier pregnancies, become better parents and take the first steps to self-sufficiency.

More Than Happiness Middle-School Youth Day Conference. The Diocese of Fargo is hosting a Middle School (Grade 6-8) Youth Day Conference on **October 10 at the Jamestown Highschool.** This event will include music, games, adoration, talks and so much more! **Tickets are free through the parish. Meals included. Transportation will be provided. To register a student, please contact Casandra Zwingel or Lisa Volk.** Come enjoy fellowship, food and music while growing in your relationship with the Lord!

Annual Dine and Bid Event on November 13th. Little Flower Catholic School PTO is seeking items for their annual Dine and Bid event scheduled for November 13th at the Rugby Eagles. We welcome any **NEW** items: crafts, gift baskets, sports team items, decorations, children's items, etc. Please consider joining our efforts to help make this our most successful auction yet! **Donations**

can be dropped in the school office by Oct. 30th. Be sure to check out our Facebook Page: Little Flower Catholic School to see a sneak peek of some of the auction items available. **Supper will be served from 5:00 to 7:00 PM along with a bag auction.** The live auction will begin at 7:00 PM with drawings for the bag auction starting immediately after. **Thank you for contributing and supporting LFCS!**

Women's Silent Retreat for Beginners: November 19-22, 2026. Do you have a desire to go deeper with the Lord in prayer and learn the basics of Ignatian prayer? If you have never been on a silent retreat, are curious as to what it is about, or want to deepen your understanding of the Spiritual Exercises, this retreat is for you. Father Andrew Jasinski will be the retreat master for this women's silent retreat going from the evening of **Thursday, November 19 through Sunday, November 22.** Find all details by visiting www.fargodiocese.org/womens-retreat.

Did you know you can donate to Little Flower Church electronically? Simply visit www.littleflowerrugby.org, click on 'Parishioner Info,' and select 'Online Giving' to reach our donation portal. Support the Church, School, Special Projects, or the Society of St. Vincent de Paul with ease. Prefer a quicker way? Just scan the QR code. Your generosity makes a difference!

FORMED Catholic Media Parish Subscription. Are you looking for content that is educational, faith-based, family friendly and unapologetically Catholic? By setting up an account with **FORMED for Parishes** and selecting **St. Therese of the Little Flower Catholic Church, Rugby ND**, you can access a vast library of Catholic media including everything from deep theological studies to playful children's shows. We are re-evaluating providing this subscription as a parish but will continue to provide it for the next year. Don't miss out on everything FORMED has to offer!

Stewardship Moment

"Do nothing out of selfishness; rather, humbly regard others as more important than yourselves…" Philippians 2:3

Pride and ego are hard things to control. We see how others act or dress and think we are superior to them. We idolize our own self-image. But, if we truly believe everything is a gift from God, we recognize all the people that God has put in our lives as gifts! We are grateful for how they enrich our lives. Pray every day for the people in your life: your family, your friends and those who make you angry.

STEWARDSHIP OFFERING

September 19-20	2026	2025
Little Flower	$5,961.00	$4,389.00
September 20, 2026	**Week**	**Year to Date**
St. Mary's	$364.00	$11,953.14
OLMC		$11,670.32

2026 GOD'S GIFT APPEAL

Little Flower	Year to Date
Goal	$62,558
Pledged	$50,512.27
St. Mary's	
Goal	$3,999
Pledged	$4,483.50
OLMC	
Goal	$8,934
Pledged	$6,837.00

St. Therese the Little Flower

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776-6388 Ext 1
Rev. Peter Nau, Parochial Vicar

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St. Mary's Catholic Church

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Mass Schedule

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

Monday, September 28 — Jb 1:6-22; Lk 9:46-50 St. Wenceslaus
7:30 AM (LF) — No Mass
5:45 PM (LF) — Adoration

Tuesday, September 29 — Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Jn 1:47-51 St. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael
8:00 AM (LF) — Adoration
9:10 AM (HE) — Communion Service

Wednesday, September 30 — Jb 9:1-12, 14-16; Lk 9:57-62 St. Jerome
7:30 AM (LF) — No Mass
9:30 AM (OLMC) — No Mass

Thursday, October 1 — Jb 19:21-27; Lk 10:1-12 St. Therese of the Child Jesus
8:00 AM (LF) — Adoration
9:10 AM (HE) — † Agnes Kelly by Theone and Wayne Stevenson
5:15 PM (LF) — † Mike Bickler and Deceased and Living Family Members by Chuck and Dorothy Hooker

Friday, October 2 — Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5; Mt 18:1-5, 10 The Holy Guardian Angels
9:00 AM (LF) — † Curtis Roerick by Family and Friends
10:30 AM (HOSP) — † Elaine Kraft by Ted and Barbara Jaeger

Saturday, October 3 — Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17; Lk 10:17-24
8:00 AM (LF) — † Roy Pfeifer by Family
Is 5:1-7; Phil 4:6-9; Mt 21:33-43 Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00 PM (LF) — † Rose Keller by Frank Keller and Family

Sunday, October 4 — Is 5:1-7; Phil 4:6-9; Mt 21:33-43 Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 AM (LF) — † Ned and Eva Voeller by Gerold and Leanne Pfeifer
8:30 AM (SM) — † Kim Anderson by St. Mary's Parish Community
10:30 AM (LF) — † Terri Dahl by Deacon Rick and Denise Lagasse
10:30 AM (OLMC) — Mass for the People

The broadcast of the 8:00 AM Sunday Mass on 1450 KZZJ AM and 92.1 FM is sponsored by Gerold and Leanne Pfeifer for the deceased Ned and Eva Voeller.

SERVING OUR PARISHES OCTOBER 3-4

St. Therese	Altar Servers	Lector	Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion
5:00 PM Saturday	Volunteers Needed	Brenda Heilman	Diane Dufner Kathleen Heilman
8:00 AM Sunday	Volunteers Needed	Sarah Shively	Valerie Bachmeier
10:30 AM Sunday	Pius Wangler Penn Wangler Paxton Wangler	Nicholas Schmaltz	Marlene Schaan Jacinta Schmaltz

St. Mary	Sacristan/Reader	Altar Servers	Ushers	EMHC	Gifts	Church Cleaning
8:30 AM Sunday	Diane Fritel Phillip Volk	Titus Volk Barrett Bohl	Tim Sattler Kenny Bohl	Bob Fritel	Fritel Family	Adam Lyn Bohl

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel	Lector	Altar Servers	EMHC	Church Care
10:30 AM Sunday	Daryl Klein	Volunteers	Eric Kremer	Eric Kremer, Ron Kremer, Lee Allen Leier, Wayne Leier