

NOVEMBER 8TH, 2026
32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

CHURCH OF ST. THERESE, THE LITTLE FLOWER

Minot, North Dakota



THIS WEEK:

Monday, November 9th
No Events Scheduled

Tuesday, November 10th
8:00 a.m. Mass
5:30 p.m. Environment Committee

Wednesday, November 11th
8:00 a.m. Mass
8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Adoration
NO CGS

Thursday, November 12th
8:00 a.m. Mass

Friday, November 13th
8:00 a.m. Mass

Saturday, November 14th
9:00 a.m. Serra Club Mass & Meeting
4:30 p.m. Mass

Sunday, November 15th
Mass: 8:30 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.
12:30 p.m. Catholic Fundamentals

DAILY MASS: TUES-FRI 8AM
SATURDAY MASS: 4:30PM
SUNDAY MASS: 8:30AM & 10AM
EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: WEDNESDAYS 8:30AM-4PM

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GOSPEL MEDITATION

November 8, 2026
Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Matthew 25:1-13

My first instinct upon waking is to grab my phone and start scrolling. Sometimes I do it for 20 or 30 minutes, and it makes me feel distracted and agitated. I feel guilty, too, for wasting my first moments of the day. So recently, I committed those minutes to reading a book that would focus my mind on Jesus. I enjoy the fact that I am not scattering my attention as much. I feel more peaceful and focused on God.

In today's Gospel, Jesus speaks about attention. He contrasts wise and foolish virgins, and then sums up the teaching by saying, "Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour" (Matthew 25:13). The basic currency of the human heart is attention. The foolish bridesmaids are not immoral or malicious; they are unfocused, distracted, and unprepared. They assume that borrowed oil will suffice, that someone else's readiness can make up for their own lack. But the attention which is love cannot be outsourced. A relationship with God requires personal attentiveness cultivated over time.

This Gospel leaves us with an honest question. What am I giving my attention to each day, and am I forming a heart that is awake, watchful, and ready to meet the Lord when He comes? How can I use key moments of my day to focus my attention where I need it to be?
— Father John Muir
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OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 8, 2026

Sunday: 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
Tuesday: St. Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church
Wednesday: St. Martin of Tours, Bishop; Veterans Day
Thursday: St. Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr
Friday: St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin
Next Sunday: 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS INTENTIONS

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10TH
Clarence Dixon by Elaine Jundt

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11TH
+Harold & Kay Stroklund by Your Family

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12TH
+James Haberlack by Karen Haberlack

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13TH
+Timothy Schmidt by Anonymous

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14TH
4:30 p.m.: +Martin Wolf by Kim Magandy

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15TH
8:30 a.m. For the Parishioners
10:00 a.m. +Kristi Sand by Mylan Sand

+Indicates Deceased

Questions of the Week

1ST READING
According to our Jewish sage, wisdom is a virtue that desires to be known by those who seek her. How does anyone know they have found wisdom?

2ND READING
Paul offers hope in the bodily resurrection of the dead for the Thessalonians who are grieving the death of a loved one. How does your faith in Jesus sustain you in times of grief and distress?

GOSPEL READING
In the Parable of the Ten Virgins, Jesus teaches his disciples the importance of planning ahead for the unknown. Do you consider yourself a pre-planner?

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Monday-Thursday 8:30AM-3PM

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ST. VINCENT DE PAUL MESSAGE

In today's Gospel Jesus challenges us to "stay awake" by taking time to seriously look at ourselves, the priorities of our lives, and how we are growing spiritually.

Ask yourself "What would Jesus Christ do?" and then make your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that those who are suffering will be able to celebrate Thanksgiving.

St. Vincent de Paul meets on the first and third Tuesdays of each month. If you would like to attend a meeting, please call Janel at 701-557-3919 for the meeting location.

ROSARY DRIVE

Please donate UNBROKEN Rosaries and Miraculous Medals from now until November 22nd. Place them in the box in the main entry of the church. They will be sent to missions around the world. Please donate ONLY unbroken Rosaries and medals. Other items are too costly to ship overseas. Thank you.

PRE-CHRISTMAS CHURCH CLEANING NOV. 21ST

Volunteers Needed! Please meet in the gathering space at 9:00am on Saturday, Nov. 21st. We will have all cleaning supplies available for the helpers as well as snacks to nourish the body! We hope that you will be able to help. The more people we have, the less time it will take.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS MEETING NOV. 10TH

Catholic Daughters will meet on Tuesday. November 10, 2026 at 5:30 PM at Our Lady of Grace Church. This will be the last meeting for this year. We will not meet during December, January or February. The next meeting will be in March, 2027. The theme for this meeting is "Favorite Saint". All members are encouraged to attend and new members or interested women are invited to attend the meeting. Lunch will be served during the meeting. The meeting will conclude in time for anyone that would like to attend Mass at 7:00 PM.



MASS MINISTRY SCHEDULES FOR NOVEMBER 14 & 15

	Saturday 4:30 p.m.	Sunday 8:30 a.m.	Sunday 10 a.m.
Rosary	Volunteer Needed	Dione Bohl	Barb Johnson
Greeters	Varden Lang Bea Grasmoen	Bruce & Louise Bogenrief	Bonnie Brunner
Altar Servers	Dan Christen Sara Haarstad	Stella Miller Harper Miller Crosby Miller	Maizey Brunner Dane Brunner
Lector	Cathy Haarstad	Steve Miller	Jaimie Brunner
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ANOINTING OF THE SICK

If anyone is preparing for surgery or is hospitalized or wishing to receive the anointing of the sick, please call the parish office (701-838-1520) or rectory (701-837-5943) to set up an appointment. You can receive this sacrament more than once. Please notify Fr. Phillips upon admission of a family member to the hospital.

CONFESSION TIMES

TUES-FRI: 7:30AM-7:50AM
SAT: 3:15PM-4:15PM
SUNDAY: 7:30AM-8:15AM; 9:30AM-9:50AM
Confession can be heard anytime outside of listed times by appointment: 837.5943

BISHOP RYAN CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS

Christmas is approaching fast and it's time to think of shopping for gifts! We have cards for groceries, gas, clothing, household items, coffee, dining out, Amazon, home building & repair, vehicles & car care. We sell these cards in the gathering space after Mass and in the parish office during the week and at Bishop Ryan. Using Scrip supports Bishop Ryan Catholic School, which is a mission to our church. When you purchase Scrip, the businesses give back to Bishop Ryan a percent of your purchase, which supports the school and helps families with their tuition. It's a way to share Jesus – by supporting Catholic education.







JOB OPENING AT ST. JOHN'S

St. John the Apostle Catholic Church in Minot is seeking applicants for a part-time maintenance position. Job duties would involve maintenance, moving tables and chairs, and lawn care. Job duties would also involve snow removal; clearing snow on the sidewalks before Mass using a snowblower tractor provided by the church and some shoveling. For more information and to apply please call the parish office. 701-839-7076

FESTIVAL OF TREES IS COMING SOON!

You're invited to Festival of Trees on November 20–21 at the North Dakota State Fair Center in Minot! Gather your family and friends for a festive celebration filled with beautifully decorated Christmas trees, fun holiday activities, unique shopping opportunities, and the joy of giving, all while supporting the life-changing mission of Dakota Hope Clinic! Join us Friday night, November 20th from 7pm-9pm for Fun Pianos! The Dueling Pianos Show. Get ready for an evening of music, laughter, and sing-along fun. Bring your friends and your favorite song requests, we'll bring the entertainment! Check out the details below for what to expect and how you can help make Festival of Trees a success. Visit festoftrees.com for the full event schedule, times, and all the festive details!

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What is a QCD - Qualified Charitable Distribution: People age 70 1/2 and older can make donations to their parish or parish endowment fund from their IRAs. You can distribute up to $111,000 in a calendar year from your IRA directly to your parish or parish endowment fund. If your spouse has a separate IRA, he or she can also make a QCD of up to $111,000 per year.

The benefits of using an IRA Charitable Rollover are many.

- It entitles you to tax benefits without requiring you to itemize your deductions.
- The distrubution counts towards your required minimum distribution.
- The distribution is not included in the income on which your federal tax income taxes will be based (thus reducing your taxable income).
- Because the distribution is tax free, you can increase your giving without costing you one additional penny.

What is a RMD - Required Minimal Distribution: People age 73 and older that have a traditional IRA account must make an annual required minimum distribution (RMD). If you don't need the income and you don't want the tax liability, you can make a qualified charitable distribution (QCD).

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