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Monday—Thursday:
8:30 a.m.—3:00 p.m.

*Deadline for content in the
weekly bulletin is noon on
Mondays*

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4:30 p.m.

(Confession 3:15 p.m. - 4:15
p.m.)

Sunday: Mass 8:30 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.

(Confession 7:30 a.m.-8:15
a.m. & 9:35 a.m.-9:50 a.m.)

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday –Friday: Mass 8:00
a.m. (Confession 7:30 a.m. -
7:50 a.m.)

*Confession can be heard
anytime outside of listed times
by appointment*

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wednesdays after 8:00 a.m.
Mass until 6:30 p.m.

**The Daily Mass and Sunday
8:30 a.m. Mass are broadcast
on our YouTube channel. Go
to our parish website
homepage to find the direct
link.**

THIS WEEK

Monday, February 3rd

Tuesday, February 4th

8:00 a.m. Mass: †Patricia Nylander by Debby Brothers

6:30 p.m. **Knights of Columbus Rosary & Meeting**

Wednesday, February 5th

8:00 a.m. Mass: †David & Roberta Douglass by Debby Brothers

8:30 a.m.—6:30 p.m. **Eucharistic Adoration**

6:00 p.m. **Youth Religious Education**

6:15 p.m. **Rosary Club**

Thursday, February 6th

8:00 a.m. Mass: †Cletus & Hazel Mapes by Jeanette Mapes

Friday, February 7th

8:00 a.m. Mass: †Therese Zahn by Denise Zahn

Saturday, February 8th

9:00 a.m. **Serra Club Mass & Meeting**

4:30 p.m. Mass: †Donald Rey by Paul & Wanda Kalamaha

Sunday, February 9th

8:30 a.m. Mass: For the Parish

10:00 a.m. Mass: †Donna & Emil Berard by The Fiedler Family

8:30 a.m.—Noon **Knights of Columbus Breakfast**

1:00 p.m. **Basic Catholic Beliefs Class**

†: Indicates deceased

Catholic Trivia Answer: Egypt

Gospel Meditation

February 2, 2025

Presentation of the Lord

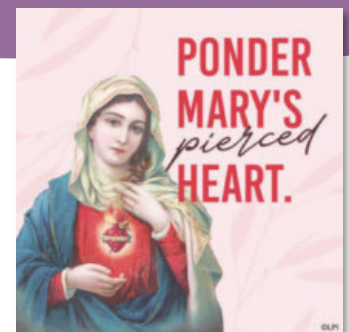
Luke 2:22-40

What is the secret to sharing in God's power to overcome our difficulties? Mary teaches us this in the prophecy of her pierced heart. This Sunday, the old man Simeon prophesies that when her son faces opposition, Mary's soul will be pierced by a sword. The seemingly pointless agony of a mother helplessly watching her son be mocked, tortured, killed and then cruelly desecrated in death by a spear — somehow this piercing of her heart releases a power by which "the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed" (Luke 2:35). What to make of this?

Whatever problems we currently face, the deepest threat is finally that evil thoughts are hidden in the human heart: hatred, envy, pride, lust, greed and so on. Behind every tyrant's injustice, for example, is a heart unpierced by love. Evil hides in our hearts. Mary's pierced heart, and its suffering love for her son, reveals and scatters these evil thoughts, and replaces them with love, forgiveness, generosity and peace.

This week, I invite us to ponder Mary's pierced heart. Her heart is quietly at work for us in the Church and world, exposing our evil thoughts and making a path for her son's divine love. This is how she gently cooperates in our salvation. Closed hearts are our biggest problem; love-pierced hearts are the ultimate power to overcome every difficulty.

— Father John Muir ©LPi



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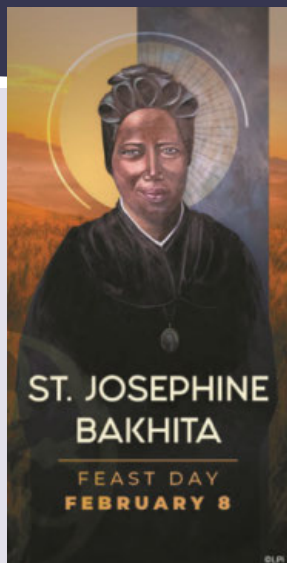
Saint of the Week

The story of St. Josephine Bakhita (1869-1947) is a story that many people taken into slavery have experienced. Born in the Darfur region of Sudan, she was kidnapped at the age of 8 and sold into slavery many times. As she passed from owner to owner, she experienced the moral and physical humiliations associated with slavery. It was only at the age of 13 that her suffering was alleviated after she was bought for the Italian Consul in Sudan. It was here that she was fortunate to receive kindness, respect, and peace from her new master.

She was later handed over to the Canossian Sisters when she made the case that slavery had been outlawed in Italy for years. She was baptized and confirmed in the Catholic Church in 1890, where she took the name Josephine. She later entered the Institute of St. Magdalene of Canossa in 1893 and made her profession three years later.

St. Josephine Bakhita's next 50 years were spent serving people through cooking, sewing, embroidery, and housekeeping. She was a source of encouragement and her constant smile won people's hearts, as did her humility and simplicity. Today she is known as the patron saint of victims of modern slavery and human trafficking.

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OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 2, 2025

Sunday: The Presentation of the Lord, World Day for Consecrated Life
 Monday: St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr; St. Ansgar, Bishop
 Wednesday: St. Agatha, Virgin and Martyr
 Thursday: St. Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs
 Saturday: St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita, Virgin; BVM
 Next Sunday: 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time, World Marriage Day

KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS...

Please keep in your prayers the family of **Greg (Marie) Keller** of our parish. Greg was a long-time parishioner of Little Flower, and passed away on January 28th. He is the father of Dione (Kevin) Bohl of our parish. His funeral was held on February 1st at Little Flower.

Please pray also for the repose of the soul of **Robert Schempp**, a parishioner of Little Flower who passed away on January 22nd. His funeral was held at Little Flower on January 29th.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

Mass Ministry Schedule for February 8th & 9th

	Saturday 4:30 p.m.	Sunday 8:30 a.m.	Sunday 10:00 a.m.
Rosary Leader	Varden Lang	Karen McDonald	Alice Leonard
Greeter	Bob & Christine Greene	Clarence & Amy Aberle	Bonnie Brunner Arlene Fiedler
Altar Servers		David White Jeff Murtaugh	Kirstin Brunner Lizzie Mega
Lector	Diane Zander	Jessi Erdmann	Jaimie Brunner
Eucharistic Minister	Paul Kalamaha	Lisa Krogman	
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ATTENTION MASS MINISTERS!

The office is working on the Mass ministry schedules for **March**. If you know of any times you are **not** available please let the Parish Office know.

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ST. VINCENT DE PAUL MESSAGE

In the Gospel today, we learn of the first sword in Mary's heart – the knowledge of her Son's death. Though many would live forever in fear, Mary found courage in faith in the Lord. Your gift to the poor can help them to overcome their swords of fear and doubt.

Catholic Trivia

Question: What country do the majority of Coptic Catholics live in?
(Find the answer elsewhere in this bulletin!)

CORAZON WEEKEND FOR MARRIAGES

Are you or someone you know struggling in a marriage? The diocesan program for troubled marriages called Corazon (Spanish for heart) is available the weekend of Feb. 14-16. Couples who are in a marriage in crisis are encouraged to attend. All confidences are kept and privacy for anyone inquiring about or attending a Corazon weekend is a priority. For questions, contact Amanda at 701-204-7205. For couple registration or additional information, visit bismarckdiocese.com/corazon.

Bishop Ryan Catholic School News

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Sunday, February 9th

8:30 a.m. to Noon



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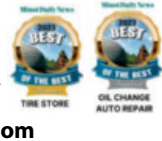
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