

March 2nd, 2025

8TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

CHURCH OF ST. THERESE, THE LITTLE FLOWER

Minot, North Dakota



EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

A GOOD
TREE DOES NOT
BEAR ROTTEN FRUIT.

— LUKE 6:43 —



THIS WEEK:

Monday, March 3rd

Nothing Scheduled

Tuesday, March 4th

Mass: 7:00 a.m.

6:30 p.m. KC Rosary & Meeting

Wednesday, March 5th

ASH WEDNESDAY

Mass: 8 a.m. & 5:30 p.m.

No Adoration or Rosary

5:30 p.m. CGS Mass; Atrium until 7 p.m.

Thursday, March 6th

Mass: 8:00 a.m.

Friday, March 7th

Mass: 8:00 a.m.

5:30 p.m.: KC Soup & Sandwich Supper

6:30 p.m.: Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 8th

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

Mass: 4:30 p.m.

Sunday, March 9th

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

8:30 a.m. - Noon: KC Breakfast

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

DAILY MASS: TUES-FRI 8AM

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS: 4:30PM

SUNDAY MASS: 8:30AM & 10AM

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: WEDNESDAYS 8:30AM-6:30PM

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GOSPEL MEDITATION

March 2, 2025
8th Sunday of Ordinary Time
Luke 6:39-45

One of the things that older pastors and younger priests occasionally quarrel about is the proper balance between work and prayer. I know one pastor who complains that his younger associate ignores the people and the parish because he wants to spend more time in prayer. And the young priest complains that the pastor gives him too much work to do and no time to pray. The Lord's words this Sunday speak into this tension with an image that can help us find a proper balance between life and prayer.

Jesus says, "For every tree is known by its fruit. For people do not pick figs from thorn bushes, nor do they gather grapes from brambles" (Luke 6:44). When we are deeply rooted and cultivating our relationship with Jesus, we are going to bear the fruit of that love in our lives. No fruit, no good prayer. How do we know that we are praying well? We are experiencing concrete fruits of love for others in our lives.

Someone who prays well will, sooner or later, burst forth the "figs" and "grapes" of acts of love. But without concrete commitment to deeds of selfless service to others, our prayer time is as useless as thorn bushes and brambles. Let's recommit ourselves to be men and women of prayer and service. And hopefully the pastors will help their associates to pray and serve fruitfully...with minimal quarreling.

— Father John Muir ©LPi

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 2, 2025

Sunday: 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: St. Katharine Drexel, Virgin
Tuesday: St. Casimir
Wednesday: Ash Wednesday
Thursday:
Friday: Sts. Perpetua and Felicity, Martyrs
Saturday: St. John of God, Religious
Next Sunday: 1st Sunday of Lent; Daylight Saving Time begins

MASS INTENTIONS

TUESDAY, MARCH 4TH

7:00 a.m. VLarry Goodman by Jerome & Karen Hager

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5TH

8:00 a.m. Personal Intention

5:30 p.m. +Tim Ahmann by Joan Ternes

THURSDAY, MARCH 6TH

8:00 a.m. +Bruno Duchsherer by Karen McDonald

FRIDAY, MARCH 7TH

8:00 a.m. +Lee Randall by Rick & JoAnn Randall

SATURDAY, MARCH 8TH

4:30 p.m. +William Artz by The Artz Family

SUNDAY, MARCH 9TH

8:30 a.m. +Tom Hanson by Gerald & Arlene Fiedler

10:00 am For the Parish

+Indicates Deceased

JANUARY 2025 OFFERTORY

	Actual	Budget
Adult Collections	\$21,550	\$17,917
Student Envelopes	\$8	\$0
Loose Collection	\$2,412	\$1,917
Holy Day Collection	\$2,497	\$1,000
ACH/Online Giving	\$7,351	\$6,667
January Totals	\$33,817	\$27,500
January Overage	\$6,317	

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MON-THURS 8:30AM-3PM

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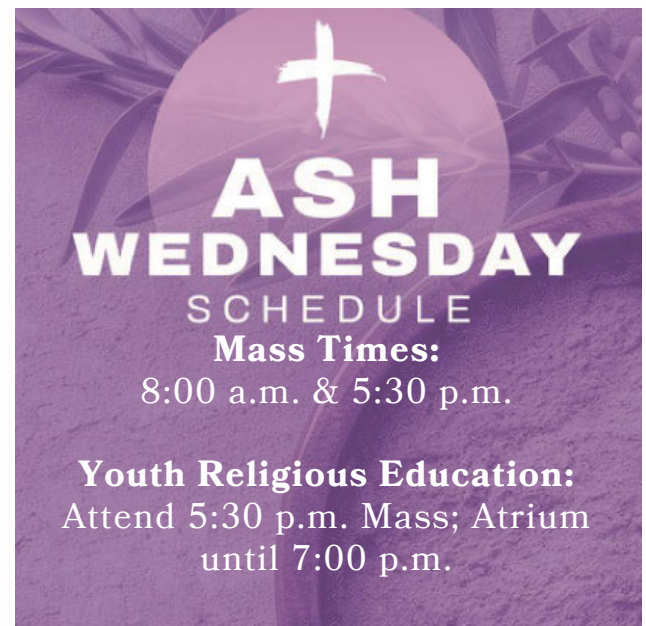
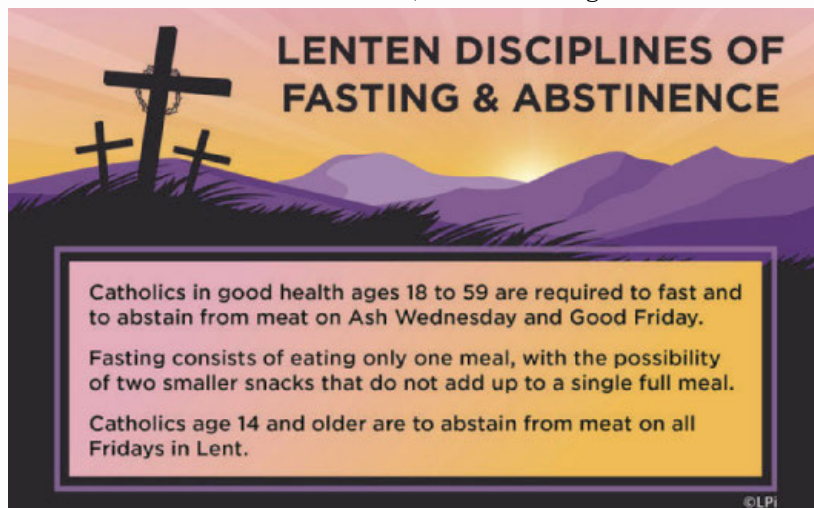
ASH WEDNESDAY MASS MINISTRY SCHEDULE

8:00am Mass

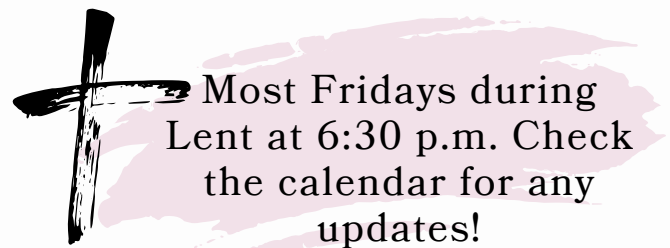
Rosary: Suzanne Watne
 Altar Server: Paul Kalamaha
 Ash Distributors: Fr. Phillips, Paul Kalamaha, Denise Zahn,
 Karen McDonald
 Lector: Carolyn Johnson
 Users: Gary Levi
 Eucharistic Minister: Karen McDonald

5:30pm Mass

Rosary: Paula Wahl
 Altar Servers: Dakota Johnson & David White
 Ash Distributors: Fr. Phillips, Deacon Young, Lisa Krogman &
 Jon Vennes (Dakota J. if need)
 Lector: Cathy Haarstad
 Ushers: Kathy Wentz, Ron Huettl, a couple more people
 Eucharistic Minister: Korie Huettl, Deacon Young



STATIONS OF THE CROSS



MASS MINISTRY SCHEDULES FOR MARCH 8TH & 9TH

	Saturday 4:30 p.m.	Sunday 8:30 a.m.	Sunday 10:00 a.m.
Rosary	Janet Murphy	Karen McDonald	Alice Leonard
Greeters	Sue Peterson Paula Sidener	Clarence & Amy Aberle	Bonnie Brunner
Altar Servers		Jeff Murtaugh David White	Kirstin Brunner Lizzie Mega
Lector	Diane Zander	Jessi Erdmann	Jaimie Brunner
Eucharistic Minister	Paul Kalamaha	Jacob Bohl	
In-Home Ministry	Carolyn Johnson		
Scrip Sales	Tracy Christen	Lisa Krogman	Jaimie Brunner

ATTENTION MASS MINISTERS: OUR PARISH OFFICE IS WORKING ON THE MINISTRY SCHEDULES FOR APRIL AND MAY. PLEASE LET JILL IN THE PARISH OFFICE KNOW IF YOU WILL BE GONE FOR ANY OF THOSE WEEKENDS.



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

Now Hiring! Bishop Ryan Catholic School is currently accepting applications for the following positions for the 2024-2025 school year: **Middle School/High School Music Instructor, Varsity Volleyball Coach, and JV Baseball Coach.** For more information on these positions, including how to apply, please visit bishopryan.com/employment.

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SOUP & SANDWICH SUPPERS

Our Little Flower Knights of Columbus will once again serve up soup & sandwiches on most Fridays during Lent prior to Stations of the Cross. Suppers will start at 5:30 p.m. in the gathering space. Check the calendar for any updates!



Knights of Columbus
4th Degree Assembly 787

FISH FRY



Serving:
Cod
Mashed Potatoes
Gravy
Vegetable
Coleslaw
Dinner Roll
Dessert

Friday, March 28
5:00 to 7:30 PM
Our Lady of Grace * 707 16th Ave. SW, Minot

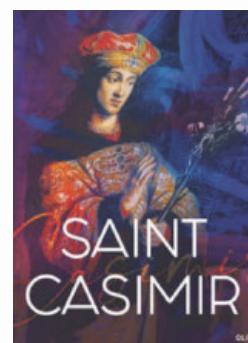
13 to Adult: \$18 5-12 yrs: \$10

Take-Out Meals Available

SAINT OF THE WEEK

St. Casimir

We live in a culture that tells children, "Follow your dreams! Be who you want to be!" It might be hard to imagine the courage it took to be St. Casimir. A prince second in line for the throne of Poland, the young man had great expectations placed upon him.



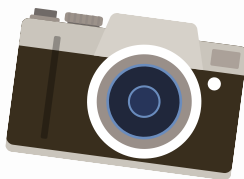
Inspired by a devout tutor, St. Casimir developed a deep faith. As a teenager, he would often sleep on the ground, reject courtly finery for plain clothes, and dedicate long hours to prayer. He even made a private commitment to celibacy. Casimir's avoidance of a military engagement made his father furious. The king imprisoned his own son. The episode confirmed to St. Casimir that he served a higher King, Jesus Christ. He would spend the rest of his life in prayer, study, and service to the poor. When we need courage to do what is right, St. Casimir, pray for us!

NEW CHURCH PHOTO DIRECTORY

The four Minot parish pastors have determined it is time for new parish pictorial church directories.

Little Flower photography dates:

APRIL 3, 4, 7, 8, 10, 11: 2PM-8:30PM
APRIL 5 & 12: 10AM-4:30PM



We need help to sign up families and host/hostess the photography sessions. There is no cost to our parishioners to have your photos taken. You will be offered an opportunity to purchase your pictures. Contact the parish office at 838-1520 or by email at LittleFlowerMinot@gmail.com to volunteer or for more information.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS MEETING

Catholic Daughters will meet on Tuesday, March 11, 2025 at 5:30 PM at Our Lady of Grace church. This will be the first meeting of the new year. All members are encouraged and invited to attend. New members are welcome. A light lunch will be served during the meeting. Mass will begin at 7:00 PM following the meeting.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Society of Saint Vincent de Paul meetings are held in St. Leo's Catholic Church basement on the 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of the month beginning with a rosary at 5:10 PM followed by the meeting at 5:30 PM. If you would like to attend a meeting, please call Janel at (701) 557-3919 for assistance in entering the church as the doors of St. Leo's are locked except for Mass times.

A NOTE FROM THE CHOIR LOFT

Music Director Paul Nason



Hello fellow parishioners,

As we move into Lent, you will undoubtedly notice some changes in the music for the season. The most obvious things are the lack of a Gloria (Glory to God) and the verse before the Gospel, as well as the lack of instrumental music. The General Instruction of the Roman Missal states that "In Lent the playing of the organ and musical instruments is allowed only in order to support the singing. Exceptions, however, are Laetare Sunday (Fourth Sunday of Lent), Solemnities, and Feasts." As we all give up things throughout Lent, we too must give up some of those musical comforts we grow accustomed to hearing. However, there are some other practices we will observe during this penitential season.

The first will be the use of chanted antiphons during the entrance and at the start of communion. This allows a simpler, meditative, and more accessible musical selection throughout the Mass. The words to the antiphon can be found along with the readings, and we will use the same psalm tones throughout the whole season. It will take some adjustments, but please consider lending your voice once you are familiar with the tune.

The second change will be our use of the chanted Latin Mass setting (Missa Jubilate Deo, pages 69-70) throughout the season. The Bismarck Diocesan Synod Manual states that "All parish congregations and schools should be familiar with the Ordinary parts of the Mass, in both English and Latin, as found in the Roman Missal and sing them some of the time throughout the Church Year." These are simple chanted parts that many of you may already know. For those who do not, please consider opening your hearts to the beauty of these words.

I thank you for your continued dedication and love to this parish, and I look forward to worshipping with you throughout this Lenten season.

In Christ, Paul Nason

Bismarck Diocesan Synod Manual Chapter 5, Paragraph 220, Line 3: "All parish congregations and schools should be familiar with the Ordinary parts of the Mass, in both English and Latin, as found in the Roman Missal and sing them some of the time throughout the Church Year."

General Instruction of the Roman Missal, n 313 "In Lent the playing of the organ and musical instruments is allowed only in order to support the singing. Exceptions, however, are Laetare Sunday (Fourth Sunday of Lent), Solemnities, and Feasts."

THANK YOU

Parishioners of St. Therese, Church of the Little Flower,

On behalf of the Greg Keller family, we would like to extend our sincere gratitude for the good works shared with our family during the time of his passing. So many volunteered to serve the meal, set up and clean the Gathering Spaces and lunchroom. We are so grateful for your support, good wishes and condolences. You will be in our prayers. Thank you for sharing this walk of faith. The journey is long and sweet.

Greg and Marie Keller Family

MINOT COMMUNITY CELEBRATION OF LIFE PIE SOCIAL

All are welcome to the Celebration of Life Pie Social on Sunday, March 2nd from 2pm to 4pm at St. John Catholic Church. The speaker will be Bridget Turbide, the Executive Director of ND Right to Life. A free will offering will be accepted.

KC BREAKFAST AT ST. JOHN THE APOSTLE

The St. John's Knights of Columbus will be serving up breakfast on Sunday, March 16th from 9AM to noon. On the menu: pancakes, French toast (GF French toast available), sausage, scrambled eggs, juice, milk, and coffee. Free will donations will support Home on the Range & Special Olympics.

BREAKFAST AT LITTLE FLOWER

Sunday, March 9th, 2025
8:30 a.m. - Noon



On the Menu:

French toast,
scrambled eggs,
sausage, biscuits &
gravy, muffins,
coffee & juice

A free will donation will be
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