

August 31st, 2025
22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

CHURCH OF ST. THERESE, THE LITTLE FLOWER

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TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

GO AND TAKE
THE LOWEST
PLACE.

LUKE 14:10



THIS WEEK:

Monday, September 1st

No Scheduled Events

Tuesday, September 2nd

Fall Clergy Conf. - No Daily Mass

6:30 p.m. KC Rosary

7:00 p.m. KC Meeting & BBQ

Wednesday, September 3rd

Fall Clergy Conf. - No Daily Mass

No Adoration

5:30 p.m. CGS Family Liturgy

6:00 p.m. CGS

6:00 p.m. Confirmation Practice

Thursday, September 4th

Fall Clergy Conf. - No Daily Mass

Friday, September 5th

8:00 a.m. Mass

Saturday, September 6th

4:30 p.m. Mass

Sunday, September 7th

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

(Confirmation During 10AM Mass)

DAILY MASS: TUES-FRI 8AM

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS: 4:30PM

SUNDAY MASS: 8:30AM & 10AM

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: WEDNESDAYS 8:30AM-4PM (SUMMER HOURS)

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GOSPEL MEDITATION

August 31, 2025
22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Luke 14:1, 7-14

Once I was invited to a group meeting with Pope Francis. Entering the room, I paused, eyeing the seats next to the Pope's fancy chair. Someone saw my paralysis and invited me to sit in the seat farthest from what I wanted. Hiding my disappointment, I sat. We waited. To our surprise, an aid pointed out that those seats were still empty and invited me and another to have them. We calmly but gleefully strode across the room and sat. Pope Francis entered, and we enjoyed two hours of amazingly uplifting conversation.

Jesus says this week to us: "When you are invited, go and take the lowest place so that when the host comes to you he may say, 'My friend, move up to a higher position.' Then you will enjoy the esteem of your companions at the table" (Luke 14:10). This is not about how to score free seat upgrades. Rather, it is a wise pattern for the whole of life. It is how to live free from the anxiety of constantly grasping for status and recognition.

Jesus perfectly embodies his seat-taking advice. He eschews his glorious throne for the lowest: death on a cross, that lonely chair we all deserve. In his resurrection, he calls us up higher to his marvelous banquet seats. This week, perhaps we should look for opportunities to choose the lowest seat. We'll be pleasantly surprised when we do.

— Father John Muir

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OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 31, 2025

Sunday: 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: Labor Day
Wednesday: St. Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church
Next Sunday: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time; Grandparents' Day

MASS INTENTIONS

*TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2ND

+Caroline Levi by Gary Levi

*WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3RD

+Larry Goodman by Jerome & Karen Hager

*THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 4TH

+Roger Sand by Memorials

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 5TH

+Robert Schempp by Kathy Fetting

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6TH

+Don & Laverne Lorenz by Lou Ann Fleck

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7TH

8:30 a.m. +Linda Richter by Rozann Richter

10:00 a.m. For the Parish

+Indicates Deceased

**No Daily Mass. Mass intentions will be said privately by Fr. Phillips while he is at Fall Clergy Conference.*

Please pray for the repose of the soul of two long-time members of our Little Flower parish:

Audrey Collins, who passed away on August 17th. Her funeral was held at Little Flower on August 22nd.

LaRae McDonald, who passed away on August 24th, and whose funeral was held on August 28th at Little Flower. She is the mother of Michelle (Curt) Saari of our parish,

May the souls of the faithfully departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

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Monday-Thursday 8:30AM-3PM

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Attention Knights!



Get ready for our first meeting coming up September 2nd. We will start with rosary in the church at 6:30 then the meeting to follow at 7:00 in the gathering space where we kick off the new fraternal year and will be discussing upcoming events and plans on how we can help out at the parish and in our catholic community, and any gentlemen interested in the knights is more than welcome to join, so if you can make it that would be great! And weather permitting we will enjoy some bbq food, drinks, and fellowship outside in the west parking lot, hope to see you there and godbless!



4TH ANNUAL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PANTRY 2 PANTRY FOOD DRIVE

As the camping season ends, please consider emptying the pantry in your camper, cabin or home and donate any extra items to the local food pantries. Knights of Columbus members from St. Nicholas-Garrison, St. John-Minot, and St. Jerome-Mohall/St. James-Sherwood/St. John-Lansford will gather the donations and distribute them to the local food pantries. Collection trailers will be open Saturday August 30 thru Monday September 1 and will be located at: East of Garrison Dairy Queen, Rice Lake, and Mouse River Park. Strawberry Lake collection trailer will be open Saturday and Sunday September 6-7. A donation box will be located inside St. John the Apostle Catholic Church in Minot, 2600 Central Avenue West.

1st Saturday Devotion Mass
September 6th at St. John the Apostle
Adoration: 9:30 – 10:30am
Mass: 10:30 a.m.

SEPTEMBER WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

2nd Janet Hanson
3rd Steve & Brittany Miller
6th Judy Stein
6th Barry & Rebecca Amos
7th Philip & Sharon Bohl
7th Jersey & Kayla Benson
15th Riley & Courtney Keller
16th Lance Behm & Stephanie Ritter
20th John & Vicki Martinson
20th Fred & Elizabeth Brooks
20th Deb Mellum
21st Gerald & Arlene Fiedler
26th Robert & Stephanie Hoffart
27th Jacob & Eden Lizotte
29th LaRae McDonald
30th Ben & Madison Magnuson
30th Sally Ault

Please let the Parish Office know if we miss anyone.
Thank You, Jill

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS MEETING

Catholic Daughters will meet on Tuesday, September 9 at 5:30 PM at Our Lady of Grace Church. Lunch will be served during the meeting. Mass will begin at 7:00 PM following the meeting. To celebrate the end of the summer season, wear something Hawaiian, if you have it available. All members are encouraged to attend the meetings and new members are welcome to join at any time.

MASS MINISTRY SCHEDULES FOR SEPTEMBER 6TH & 7TH

	Saturday 4:30 p.m.	Sunday 8:30 a.m.	Sunday 10 a.m.
Rosary	Varden Lang	Carolyn Johnson	No Rosary
Greeters	Mike & Mary Sander	Gary Levi	Steve Bueschel
Altar Servers	Volunteer Needed	Paul Kalamaha David White	Dakota Johnson Jeff Murtaugh
Lector	Wanda Kalamaha	Joshua Snyder	Grant Wentz
Eucharistic Minister	Mike Sander	Karen McDonald	Deacon Young
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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

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FAITH FORMATION AT LITTLE FLOWER

REMINDER: The first day of Catechesis of the Good Shepherd is Wednesday, September 3rd starting with a family liturgy service at 5:30 p.m., followed by Atrium ending at 7:00 p.m.

We are looking for volunteers to help set up our CGS Atrium on Wednesdays from 5:30 to 5:50 p.m. If you're interested in helping in this way, please contact our parish office.

Confirmation class will meet for practice following the liturgy service. Confirmation is September 7th, 2025 during the 10:00 a.m. Mass with Bishop David D. Kagan.

FULL-TIME COOK POSITION AT EMMAUS PLACE

The Bismarck Diocese has an immediate opening for a full-time cook (36 hours) at the Emmaus Place, a priest retirement facility in Bismarck. Job duties include grocery shopping, preparing and serving meals for the residents and clean-up. Must possess a valid driver's license and have the ability to lift and carry 20 pounds. Prior cooking knowledge and experience is desirable. We offer a competitive salary with a generous benefits package. All offers of employment are pending a clear background check and reference check. Please submit an application for employment (found at www.bismarckdiocese.com under About, then Job Openings), and three references to Denise Jordan at djordan@bismarckdiocese.com or PO Box 1575, Bismarck, ND 58502.

ST. HILDEGARD CHURCH FALL DINNER

St. Hildegard's Church in Menoken, ND will be hosting their annual Fall dinner on Sunday, Sept 7 from 11 AM – 1:30 PM. The homemade dinner will feature their traditional sausage, roast beef, pies, buns and all the trimmings! There will be fun for all ages including games, bingo, and sale of home baked goods, and fresh garden produce. The cost of the meal will be \$15 for adults; \$8 for children 4 – 10 years; free for children 3 and under. Raffle tickets available for \$5 each, or 5 for \$20, (with over \$10,000 in prizes!) Winners will be drawn at 4 PM. Join us for an afternoon of fellowship and fun for all ages! St. Hildegard's church is located at 17200 Highway 10, Menoken, ND (10 miles east of Bismarck).

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL MESSAGE

Today, we hear Jesus say to us, "...when you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame and the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you. For you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous." With love for your neighbors who are poor, crippled, lame or blind, search your budget for any areas where small sacrifices can be made to save money...and give it to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

SVdP 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.

PLEASE PRAY FOR MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH WHO HAVE PASSED AWAY OVER THE YEARS IN THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER

Michael Fuchs	Percival "Percy" Alg
William Lefebvre	Clara Rein
Kathryn Laskowski	Louis Zent
Beata Kinsella	James Johnson
Anna Mueller	Arnold Alme
Margaret Mary Bertsch	Craig Bauer
Harvey Jevne	Alvin Wirtzfeld
Barbara Goedecke	Delbert Fugere
John Roshau	Delbert "Del" Marum
David Drey	Rachel Samulenok
Casper Bakken	Douglas McMahon
Eugene Rubbelke	Clete Burbach
Odmar Pfeifer	Caroline Levi
Myrtle Kramer	Agnes Larcombe
Clara Dahl	David A. Bickler
Carol Mae Aisenbrey	Erika Eckel
Marvin Alex	Lucille Nathan
Clara Schettler	Mary Rioux
John Nush	

*Thank you to all who
joined us for our
{indoor} parish picnic!*



JULY 2025 OFFERTORY

	Actual	Budget
Adult Collections	\$18,785	\$19,167
Student Envelope	\$0	\$0
Loose Collection	\$2,154	\$2,167
Holy Day Collection	\$25	\$0
ACH/Online Giving	\$6,360	\$6,833
July Totals	\$27,324	\$28,167
July Shortage	(\$843)	

St. Therese Feast Day Flowers online giving fund will be activated from September 24, 2025 through October 12, 2025.

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FROM THE UNITED STATES CONFERENCE OF CATHOLIC BISHOPS:

History was recently made when Planned Parenthood and other big abortion businesses were banned from receiving federal Medicaid dollars for one year. Planned Parenthood immediately sued in a federal court and the judge swiftly granted part of a preliminary injunction, requiring the abortion giant's taxpayer funding to continue. Otherwise, children's lives could be saved every day. Americans should not be forced to pay for the killing of preborn children or fund the clinics that kill them. The USCCB Committee on Pro-Life Activities is inviting Catholics to join a focused effort of prayer to stop taxpayer funding of the abortion industry. In particular, we will invoke the intercession of St. Joseph, Defender of Life with this prayer:

Dearest St. Joseph, at the word of an angel, you lovingly took Mary into your home. As God's humble servant, you guided the Holy Family on the road to Bethlehem, welcomed Jesus as your own son in the shelter of a manger, and fled far from your homeland for the safety of both Mother and Child. We praise God that as their faithful protector, you never hesitated to sacrifice for those entrusted to you. May your example inspire us also to welcome, cherish, and safeguard God's most precious gift of life. Help us to faithfully commit ourselves to the service and defense of human life —especially where it is vulnerable or threatened. Obtain for us the grace to do the will of God in all things. Amen.

We ask Catholics to offer this prayer daily, from now until October 1, the beginning of Respect Life Month. Free online and print versions of the prayer can be found at www.respectlife.org/prayer-to-st-joseph. Thank you for responding to this invitation to pray and for your support in protecting innocent children and their vulnerable mothers from the evil of abortion. St. Joseph, Defender of Life, pray for us!

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MINOT BUYBB EVENT

Catholic Charities North Dakota is in need of gently used baby items for their Bundle Up Your Baby Bump Event being held on Saturday, September 13, 2025, from 10:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. at St. John the Apostle Church. This is a free event for parents to "shop" for needed baby supplies. Clothing sizes newborn – 5T, bottles, toys, strollers, books, bouncers, crib sheets, towels, or anything else a baby/toddler may need can be dropped off at the Catholic Charities North Dakota office, 216 South Broadway, Suite #202, from August 18, 2025, to September 11, 2025.

Minot Area Catholic Adults Spirits and Truth



Presents: Trust in God

Thursday, September 4th, 2025

-Food and Fellowship @6:00pm

-Talk by Fr. Mario Rosario @6:45pm

Location: Mi Mexico

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September 2025

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1 FALL CLERGY CONFERENCE LABOR DAY PARISH OFFICE CLOSED	2 NO MASS 6:30PM KC Rosary 7PM KC Meeting & BBQ	3 NO MASS NO ADORATION 5:30 p.m. CGS Family Liturgy 6PM CGS 6PM Confirmation Practice	4 NO MASS	5 Mass 8AM	6 9:30AM First Saturday Devotion - St. John's Mass 4:30PM
7 Mass 8:30AM & 10 a.m. Confirmation During 10AM Mass	8	9 Mass 8AM 5PM Environment Committee	10 Mass 8AM Adoration 8:30AM - 4PM 6PM CGS	11 Mass 8AM	12 Mass 8AM	13 9AM Serra Club Mass & Meeting Mass 4:30PM
14 Mass 8:30AM & 10AM 8:30AM - 12PM KC Breakfast	15	16 Mass 8AM	17 Mass 8AM Adoration 8:30AM - 4PM 6PM CGS	18 Mass 8AM	19 Mass 8AM	20 Mass 4:30PM
21 Mass 8:30AM & 10AM 1PM Basic Catholic Beliefs Class	22	23 Mass 8AM 6PM Finance Council	24 Bishop Ryan All School Mass 9AM Adoration 10:30AM - 4PM 6PM CGS	25 Mass 8AM	26 Mass 8AM	27 Mass 4:30PM
28 Mass 8:30AM & 10AM 1PM Basic Catholic Beliefs Class	29	30 Mass 8AM				

Basic Catholic Beliefs Class

Presented by Fr. Kenneth Phillips

Beginning Sunday, September 21, 2025 at 1pm

Little Flower Activity Center

- Who created God?
- Do we become angels after we die?
- Is the happiness of heaven the same for everyone?
- Do pets go to heaven?
- Are divorced Catholics excommunicated?
- How can a loving God send someone to hell?
- Is the use of ouija boards, tarot cards, or the consultation of mediums sinful?
- Why do I need to confess my sins to a priest?

These and many other questions will be answered. These classes, for Catholics and non-Catholics, will give participants an opportunity to learn more about God, the basic beliefs of the Catholic faith and the application of God's teachings to daily living.

Don't worry if you're unable to attend every class. Previous lessons are reviewed at the beginning of each class period. In addition, PowerPoint video presentations are available to watch online at our parish website.

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Email: littleflowerminot@gmail.com; Telephone: (701) 838-1520

Name: _____

(If both husband & wife are attending, just one registration form with both names is needed.)

Preferred Phone Contact: _____ or _____
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Are you able to receive text messages on cell phone? _____

Email Address: _____

Did you participate in an earlier BCB class? No____ Yes____



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