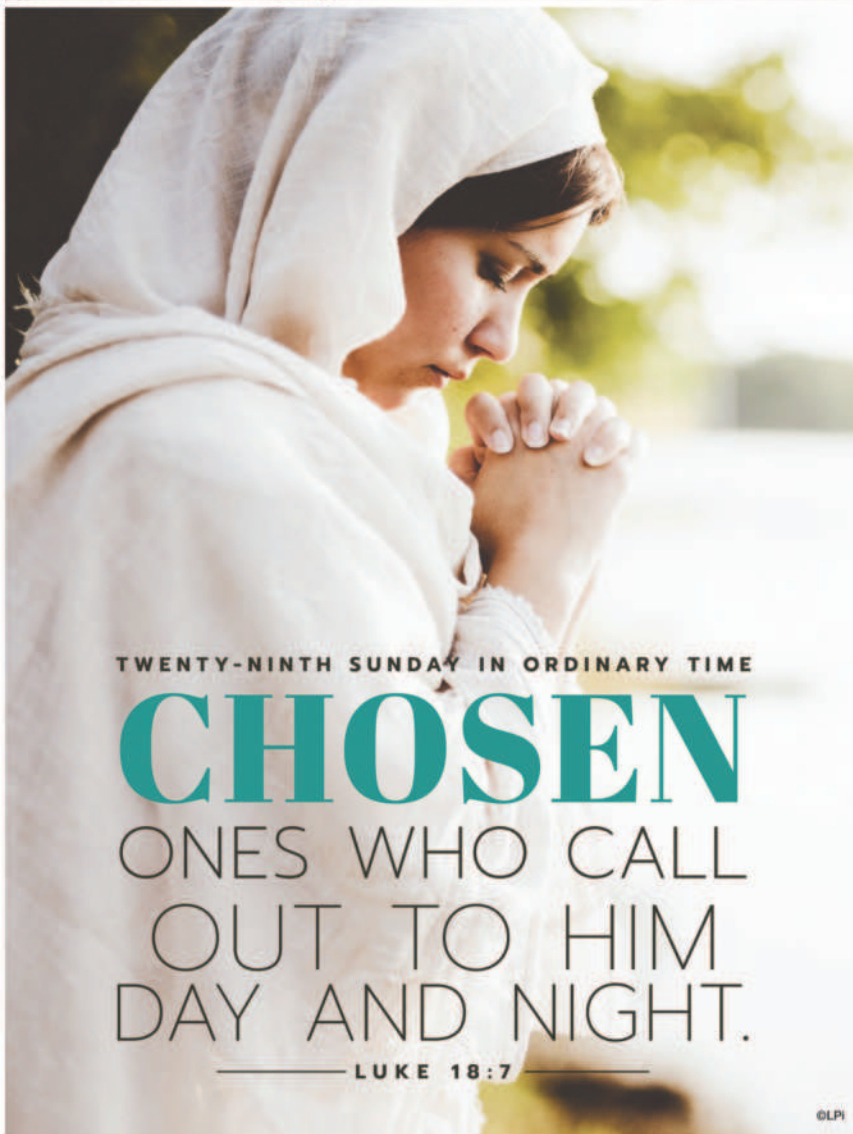


October 19th, 2025
29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

CHURCH OF ST. THERESE, THE LITTLE FLOWER

Minot, North Dakota



TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

CHOSSEN
ONES WHO CALL
OUT TO HIM
DAY AND NIGHT.

LUKE 18:7

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THIS WEEK:

Monday, October 20th

No Scheduled Events

Tuesday, October 21st

8:00 a.m. Mass

6:00 p.m. Finance Council

Wednesday, October 22nd

8:00 a.m. Mass

8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Adoration

6:00 p.m. CGS

Thursday, October 23rd

8:00 a.m. Mass

Friday, October 24th

8:00 a.m. Mass

Saturday, October 25th

4:30 p.m. Mass

Sunday, October 26th

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

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-4PM

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GOSPEL MEDITATION

October 19, 2025
Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Luke 18:1-8

A woman in my parish has an adult son who has rejected his faith. She prays for him every day. She lights candles, says rosaries, and asks God again and again to bring him back. But nothing changes. Is God listening? Is He delaying? She told me once that she feels like the widow in Jesus' strange parable — crying out for justice, but hearing only silence. And yet, she said, she is at peace. I asked why. She responded, "God is already answering. I just can't see it yet."

She embodies something of the mystery in Jesus' parable this week in Luke 18. A powerless widow demands justice from a corrupt judge. This isn't about wearing God down until He gives in. It's about faith in the justice that is already coming. The widow isn't just persistent; she believes that justice is inevitable. And when Jesus points to the judge's words — his fear of being "struck" — He hints at something deeper: God's justice does not creep in gradually. It strikes. It comes like lightning.

Blessed Mary is, of course, the ultimate widow demanding justice. At the foot of the cross she stands before what looks like the ultimate injustice — the brutal execution of her son. But she did not despair. She did not beg for a last-minute rescue. She knew that justice was not delayed. In fact, it was happening. The power of the cross was already unleashing justice upon the world — suddenly, decisively, like a blow that would topple every corrupt power, making even the most corrupt fear her strike.

This parable asks us: will the Son of Man find faith on earth? Or will we mistake God's silence for absence? The cross proves that justice is not slow. It is only hidden. The lightning has already struck. In the cross, justice is speedily being done.

— Father John Muir
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OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF OCT. 19, 2025

Sunday: 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Mission Sunday
Monday: St. Paul of the Cross, Priest
Wednesday: St. John Paul II, Pope
Thursday: St. John of Capistrano, Priest
Friday: St. Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop
Next Sunday: 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS INTENTIONS

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21ST

+Tim Ahmann by Jean & Dan Ternes

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22ND

+Frances Bartsch by Diane Wittmayer

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23RD

+Lorraine Wolter by Bonnie Brunner

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24TH

+Dale Zahn by Denise Zahn

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25TH

+Shawn Roderick by Audrey Collins

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26TH

8:30 a.m. For the Parish

10:00 a.m. +Florence Ayoob by Jeanette Mapes

+Indicates Deceased



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Minot Area Catholic Adults

Spirits and Truth



Presents: Paradise Lost

Thursday, November 6th, 2025
 -Food and Fellowship @6:00pm
 -Talk by Fr. Eric Artz @6:45pm

Location: Mi Mexico
 3816 S Broadway
 Minot, ND



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL MESSAGE

In the Gospel today Jesus tells his disciples to pray always without becoming weary., indeed our prayer must always be an expression of our love for God, our family, our world, and especially for the suffering poor. St. Vincent de Paul meetings are held on the 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of the month beginning with the rosary at 5:10 p.m. followed by the meeting at 5:30 p.m. If you would like to attend a meeting, please call Janel at (701) 557-3919 for the meeting location.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Looking to strengthen your marriage? Join us for a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend in beautiful Medora, North Dakota, November 7-12, 2025. This retreat is designed for couples who want to enhance an already good marriage, deepening communication, love, and understanding. The weekend takes place at the Rough Rider Motel. Cost is just \$75. Registration deadline is two weeks before the event. For details or to register, visit wwme.org. Give your marriage the gift it deserves!

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION FOR MINOT

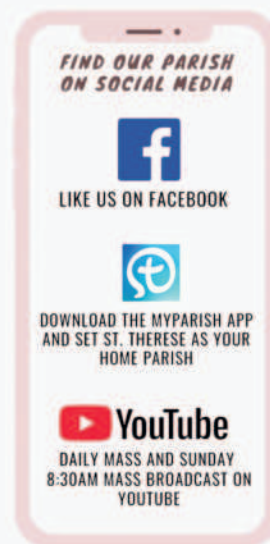
On Saturday, November 1st, join us as we celebrate First Saturday and All Saints Day. We will begin with Adoration at 9:30 a.m. at Our Lady of Grace Church, with confessions running concurrently. Mass to follow at 10:30 a.m. We welcome all to attend this devotion.

FALL SUPPER

St. John in Minot dinner Oct. 26 St. John the Apostle is hosting their fall dinner and bake sale on Sunday, Oct. 26 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the parish hall. The menu is roast beef, mashed potatoes, gravy, corn, coleslaw, rolls, special pumpkin dessert, coffee and milk. Gluten free options available on request. Cost is \$15 for adults and \$8 for children. Children under six years old eat for free. Take-out dinners will be available.

MASS MINISTRY SCHEDULES FOR OCTOBER 25 & 26

	Saturday 4:30 p.m.	Sunday 8:30 a.m.	Sunday 10 a.m.
Rosary	Cindy Obenchain	Carolyn Johnson	Paula Wahl
Greeters	Allan & Deb Haman	Debby Brothers Karen McDonald	David & Brenda Feller
Altar Servers	Camden Lee	Stella Miller Crosby Miller Harper Miller	Hannah Schaefer Emmie Schaefer
Lector	Amy Lee	Steve Miller	Barb Johnson
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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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St. John was born at Capistrano, Italy in 1385, the son of a former German knight in that city. He studied law at the University of Perugia and practiced as a lawyer in the courts of Naples. King Ladislas of Naples appointed him governor of Perugia.

During a war with a neighboring town he was betrayed and imprisoned. Upon his release he entered the Franciscan community at Perugia in 1416.

He and St. James of the March were fellow students under St. Bernardine of Siena, who inspired him to institute the devotion to the holy Name of Jesus and His Mother. John began his brilliant preaching apostolate with a deacon in 1420.

After his ordination he traveled throughout Italy, Germany, Bohemia, Austria, Hungary, Poland, and Russia preaching penance and establishing numerous communities of Franciscan renewal.

When Mohammed II was threatening Vienna and Rome, St. John, at the age of seventy, was commissioned by Pope Callistus III to preach and lead a crusade against the invading Turks. Marching at the head of seventy thousand Christians, he gained victory in the great battle of Belgrade against the Turks in 1456. Three months later he died at Illok, Hungary.

His feast day is October 23. He is the patron of jurists.

SEARCH FOR CHRISTIAN MATURITY

SEARCH for Christian Maturity is a weekend retreat experience sponsored by the Bismarck Diocese. The weekends are for any high school or college age person at least 15 years old. The program is both rooted in the Catholic faith and open to young people of any denomination or creed. Search weekends are held 5 times throughout the year and are held at the Badlands Ministries Camp just south of Medora, ND. The camp is located in a quiet remote setting of the North Dakota Badlands and provides a great opportunity to unplug from the daily rush and just get away. SEARCH provides an opportunity to think, talk, question and wonder about life and faith in an accepting and challenging environment. It is an opportunity to experience God and God's family in a personal and real way. The weekend is youth and peer orientated....it is run by youth, to youth and for youth.... and all under the guidance of a team of adult mentors. Cost for the weekend is \$75 all inclusive. There is a scholarship available for those in need to cover this cost. The retreats start on Friday evening and runs through Sunday late afternoon. Come and experience a great weekend with us and see what God has in store for you. For more information: searchinmedora.com

KC BREAKFAST AT ST. LEO'S OCT. 26

The St. Leo's Knights of Columbus Council 9906 will serve a breakfast on Sunday, October 26 from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm in the St. Leo's Church Basement. Pancakes, sausage, eggs, biscuits & sausage gravy, juice and coffee will be served. Free will offering will support the Dakota Hope Clinic! All are welcome!



St. John the Apostle
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Breakfast Sunday,
October 19th
St. John the Apostle
9am-Noon

Menu:

Pancakes, French Toast
(*Gluten Free French Toast
will be available), Sausage,
Scrambled Eggs, Juice, Milk
& Coffee

Free-will offering to support:
Our Lady of Grace Food Pantry
& Society of St. Vincent de Paul



FATHER PHILLIPS RECEIVES AWARD AS ND HIGHWAY PATROL CHAPLAIN



Congratulations to Father Kenneth Phillips for being presented the Colonel's Award for Excellence by the North Dakota Highway Patrol.

Sgt. Jenna Clawson Huibregtse nominated Fr. Phillips with this recommendation:

"I am nominating Father Kenneth Phillips for the Colonel's Award for Excellence for his 30 years of service to the North Dakota Highway Patrol (NDHP) as a department Chaplain. Father Phillips has served as a NDHP Chaplain since the program's inception in 1994.

"In those thirty years, Father Phillips has served the agency and citizens of our state with distinction and compassion. He provided emotional, moral, and spiritual support to the NDHP members and numerous crash victim family members over the years. He has given guidance to officers and ride-alongs and taken the time to get to know troopers personally and be available for a listening ear and compassionate advice whenever needed.

"Father Phillips has provided comfort for family members when assisting NDHP troopers with fatality crash death notifications. He is compassionate and understanding when delivering this life changing information to family members while making these situations easier for troopers and supporting them during these emotional events.

"As a department chaplain, Father Phillips has been readily available for troopers and their families for services such as spiritual guidance, counseling, and being available for them on a personal level to support their emotional needs. Over the years, he has participated in training to enhance the support provided to troopers and their families.

"Father Phillips' kindness, empathy, and compassion has truly impacted many NDHP officers and staff, and I wholeheartedly believe he is deserving of a Colonel's Award for Excellence."

Congratulations, Father Phillips -- and thank you for all you do for our parish and for the ND Highway Patrol!

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