

AUGUST 9TH, 2026
19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

CHURCH OF ST. THERESE, THE LITTLE FLOWER

Minot, North Dakota



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He became frightened; and, beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Immediately Jesus stretched out his hand and caught Peter. - Mt 14:30-31

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THIS WEEK:

Monday, August 10th

No Scheduled Events

Tuesday, August 11th

8:00 a.m. Mass

Wednesday, August 12th

8:00 a.m. Mass

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

Thursday, August 13th

8:00 a.m. Mass

Friday, August 14th

8:00 a.m. Mass

Saturday, August 15th

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 a.m. Mass

4:30 p.m. Mass

Sunday, August 16th

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

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

August 9, 2026
Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Matthew 14:22-33

As a young, newly ordained priest, I admired a senior priest who was gifted, beloved, and had changed countless lives. But soon I learned that he had fallen in catastrophic and destructive ways. The painful juxtaposition of good and evil was complex to process. How could someone so seemingly good also be so broken and deceptive? It forced me to confront a sobering truth: leadership in the Church is no guarantee against weakness or sin.

Peter teaches that truth in this week's Gospel. When he sees Jesus walking on the sea, Peter does what leaders do. He goes first. "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." But when he sees how strong the wind is, he becomes frightened and, beginning to sink, cries out, "Lord, save me." Immediately, Jesus stretches out his hand and catches him.

St. Thomas Aquinas observes that Peter overcomes the greater danger of the waves but falters before the lesser threat of the wind. This is the paradox leaders often face. It is not always the great trials that undo us, but the smaller, quieter temptations, such as subtle fears and compromises, that lead us to sink.

The good news is that Jesus does not abandon Peter. He saves him before it is too late. Our frail humanity lives within a rhythm of grace, risk, failure, and mercy. Jesus helps Peter overcome both the obvious and hidden sources of fear, and he promises to do the same for us. So, let us pray for all, especially our spiritual leaders.

— Father John Muir ©LPi

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 9, 2026

Sunday: 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: St. Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr
Tuesday: St. Clare, Virgin
Wednesday: St. Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious
Thursday: Sts. Pontian, Pope, and Hippolytus, Priest, Martyrs
Friday: St. Maximillian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr
Saturday: The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Next Sunday: 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS INTENTIONS

TUESDAY, AUGUST 11TH

+Jim & +LaRae McDonald by Carolyn Johnson

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12TH

+Greg & Marie Keller by Anonymous

THURSDAY, AUGUST 13TH

+Roger Krogman by Lisa Krogman

FRIDAY, AUGUST 14TH

+Bob & +Diane Schempp by Kathleen Fetting

SATURDAY, AUGUST 15TH-Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 a.m.: +Fr. Leonard Eckroth by Anonymous

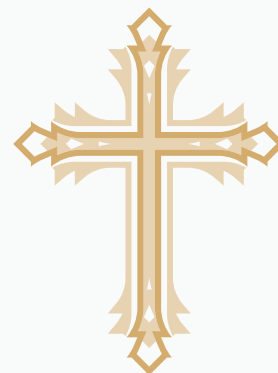
4:30 p.m.: +Steve & +Audrey Sidener by Marlin & Donna Norstegaard

SUNDAY, AUGUST 16TH

8:30 a.m. +Pat Limke by Jackie Limke

10:00 a.m. For the Parishioners

+Indicates Deceased



ONLINE GIVING FUND

The Feast of the Assumption online giving fund will be active through August 23, 2026.



Questions of the Week

1ST READING

Elijah finds the Lord not in the wind, earthquake or fire, but in a light, silent sound. When or where do you hear God's voice?

2ND READING

Paul grieves over the unbelief of his fellow Jews. How can you help family members or friends who do not believe in Jesus?

GOSPEL READING

Peter musters the courage to step out onto the water when Jesus calls him. What are some fears the Lord could help you face?

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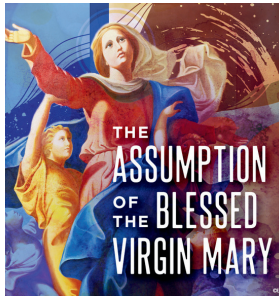
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Children of Christopher & Schyler McMahon

Micah Mulcahy
Child of Jacob & Marie Mulcahy



PLEASE NOTE:

There will be an extra Mass time on Saturday, August 15th at 8:00 a.m. for the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. **This is not a Holy Day of Obligation this year as it falls on a Saturday.**

ADORERS NEEDED

We are looking for more Adorers for Eucharistic Adoration. Please let us know if you would be available for an hour on Wednesdays on a regular basis. **Current hours are: 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL MESSAGE

In this Gospel, Jesus immediately stretched out his hand and caught Peter, and said to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?"

Please help the Society of St. Vincent de Paul bring respite and hope to the elderly who are not able to find relief from the summer heat, and you will bring them faith and hope!" 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.

MASS MINISTRY SCHEDULES FOR AUGUST 15 & 16

	Saturday 4:30 p.m.	Sunday 8:30 a.m.	Sunday 10 a.m.
Rosary	Janet Murphy	Dione Bohl	Barb Johnson
Greeters	Bryan & Cindy Obenchain	Diane Wittmayer Carolyn Johnson	Bonnie Brunner
Altar Servers	Max Stenberg	Harper Miller Stella Miller Crosby Miller	Christoph Schach
Lector	Denise Zahn	Steve Miller	Grant Wentz
Eucharistic Minister	Lou Ann Fleck	Lisa Krogman	Deacon Stephen Young
Scrip Sales	Katy Larcombe	Diane Wittmayer	Kathy Wentz

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.

JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL

PARISH PICNIC

Wednesday, August 26th
5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Parish Activity Center

WHAT WILL BE PROVIDED:

Brats, Hot Dogs & Buns
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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

Would you like to share your love of Chess or stringed instruments? Bishop Ryan Catholic School is looking for mentors to work with our Lion students who are interested in learning more about the game of Chess or playing stringed instruments including violins, violas, and cellos. If you're interested in learning more about these opportunities (from a paid or volunteer standpoint), please contact principal Tanya Steckler at (701) 838-3355 or tsteckler@brhs.com.

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CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS MEETING AUG 11

Catholic Daughters will meet on Tuesday August 11 at 5:30 PM at Our Lady of Grace Church. This is a regular scheduled meeting. The theme for the meeting will be "Favorite apron". Members are asked to bring or wear their favorite apron to this meeting. Lunch will be served during the meeting. Mass will follow at 7:00 PM for those wishing to attend mass. All members are encouraged to attend. Ladies over 18, interested in who we are and what our mission includes are welcome to attend the meeting.

BISMARCK DIOCESE JOB OPENING

The Bismarck Diocese is seeking a dynamic and mission-driven Director of Communications and Media Services to lead and coordinate the communication efforts of the Diocese. The Director serves as the official spokesperson for the Bishop of Bismarck and is responsible for overseeing all diocesan communications, media relations, branding, and public messaging. The position provides a competitive wage and generous benefits package. For further information on the position and how to apply, please visit the Bismarck Diocese website Job Openings | Bismarck Diocese | Bismarck, ND. Application deadline is August 30th.

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION TIME CHANGE

The First Saturday Devotions held monthly at the four parishes have a new start time. Adoration and Confession will start at 9:00 a.m. and Mass will begin at 10:00 a.m.



KC Council 9906

Breakfast

Sunday, August 9
8:00 AM to 12:30 PM
St. Leo's Catholic Church
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Serving:
Pancakes
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SCAN TO REGISTER:



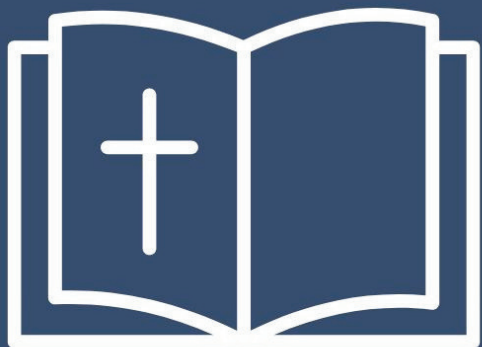
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