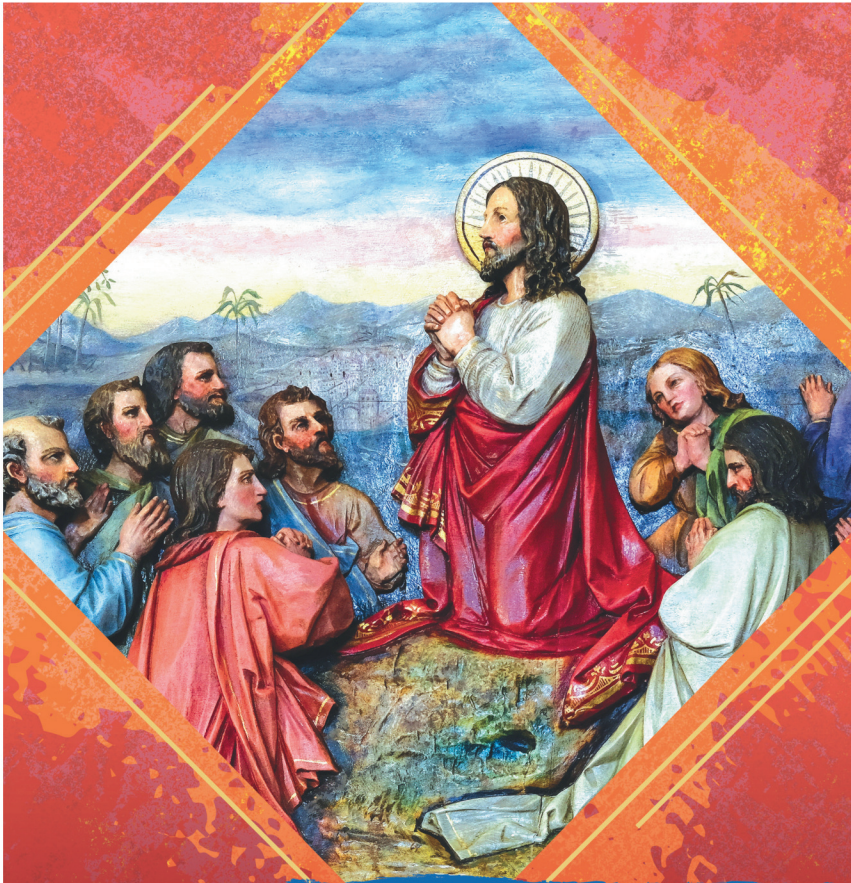


**JULY 5TH, 2026**  
14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

# CHURCH OF ST. THERESE, THE LITTLE FLOWER

Minot, North Dakota



**14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

“Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened,  
and I will give you rest.” - Mt 11:28-30

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## **THIS WEEK:**

**Monday, July 6th**

No Scheduled Events

**Tuesday, July 7th**

8:00 a.m. Mass

**Wednesday, July 8th**

8:00 a.m. Mass

No Eucharistic Adoration

**Thursday, July 9th**

8:00 a.m. Mass

**Friday, July 10th**

8:00 a.m. Mass

**Saturday, July 11th**

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

4:30 p.m. Mass

**Sunday, July 12th**

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

July 5, 2026  
Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Matthew 11:25-30

This weekend, our nation celebrates the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence. Unlike most nations, the United States was not founded primarily on a shared ethnicity, language, or culture. Instead, our founders built a political community out of diverse peoples united by a shared vision of liberty. That vision echoes something deep in the Christian mystery revealed in today's Gospel.

Jesus returns to his hometown. The people see only what is familiar: the carpenter, the son of Mary, one of their own. As Mark tells us, "They took offense at him. Jesus said, 'A prophet is not without honor except in his native place and among his own kin and in his own house.'" Their narrow vision blinds them. Jesus has come to inaugurate a new communion that transcends geography, bloodlines, and culture. He has come to unite all people in himself.

At its best, America's national unity reflects this possibility, which fully subsists only in the Catholic Church. Our unity is not based on ancestry or tribe, but on a shared commitment to higher ideals. For this reason, we can love our country with gratitude while situating patriotism within the broader horizon of faith.

Rooted in Christ, we are less vulnerable to the unholy tribalism that threatens civic life and faith. This weekend, let us thank God for our nation and pray that we also live as citizens of Heaven in Jesus Christ.

— Father John Muir ©LPi

## OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 5, 2026

Sunday: 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Monday: St. Maria Goretti, Virgin and Martyr  
Thursday: St. Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs  
Saturday: St. Benedict, Abbot  
Next Sunday: 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

## MASS INTENTIONS

### TUESDAY, JULY 7TH

+Lucy Gross by Barb Axness

### WEDNESDAY, JULY 8TH

+Mitchell Watne by Suzanne Watne

### THURSDAY, JULY 9TH

+James Haberlack by Karen Haberlack

### FRIDAY, JULY 10TH

+Martin Wolf by Arlene Fiedler

### SATURDAY, JULY 11TH

+Harold & Kay Stroklund by Your Family

### SUNDAY, JULY 12TH

8:30 a.m. Pam & Leo Coughlin by Lisa Krogman  
10:00 a.m. For the Parishioners

+Indicates Deceased



**PLEASE NOTE:** Father Phillips will be on vacation July 13-24. There will be no Daily Mass or Adoration while he is gone.



## Questions of the Week

### 1<sup>ST</sup> READING

Zechariah speaks of a just and humble king who will lead all people to a future of peace and joy. What are some things that make you genuinely happy?

### 2<sup>ND</sup> READING

Paul teaches that the Spirit of God dwells in those who believe in Jesus. Where do you see the Holy Spirit active in your life?

### GOSPEL READING

Jesus speaks of himself as meek and humble of heart, and invites us to find "rest" in him. What are some burdens Jesus could relieve for you?

### PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday-Thursday 8:30AM-3PM

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Rectory: 701.837.5943

Parish Email: [littleflowerminot@gmail.com](mailto:littleflowerminot@gmail.com)

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**Bishop Ryan Catholic School:** Megan Selk

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# Welcome

Welcome to the newest members of our parish:

**Keegan Henjum  
Emma Passa**

## 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.**

## SERRA CLUB MEETINGS

Serra Club meetings are held every second Saturday of the month beginning with Mass at 9:00 AM at Little Flower Church. The meeting ends by 11:00 AM. Everyone is welcome to attend Mass and if you are interested in becoming a member, please attend the meeting and brunch following Mass.

## BISMARCK DIOCESE JOB OPENING

The Bismarck Diocese has an opening for a full-time Accounting Manager. Primary responsibilities will be accounting and payroll functions for the Fiscal Department and assisting and supporting the staff of the Parish Services Department in parish accounting and payroll. The position provides a competitive wage and generous benefit package. For further information, see the Bismarck Diocese website at Job Openings | Bismarck Diocese | Bismarck, ND

## HOSPITALIZATION INFORMATION

If you or a loved one are admitted to the hospital, please remember to clearly indicate your religious affiliation and church name at the time of admission.

Have you heard of the patron saint of purity? Born to peasant parents in southern Italy, St. Maria Goretti was a devout girl whose life was marked by difficulty. Her father died when she was nine, leaving her single mother with six mouths to feed.

Two neighbors helped on the family farm, including a young man named Alessandro. He began making crude comments towards Maria. She repeatedly denied him. After several years, Alessandro attacked Maria to force himself on her. She resisted and, in his anger, Alessandro stabbed her. Maria died from the wounds' infections, but her last words were "I forgive Alessandro Serenelli, and I want him with me in heaven forever."

While he was in prison, Maria appeared to Alessandro with a bouquet of roses, one for each wound he inflicted. In a true miracle of mercy, Alessandro experienced repentance, became a Franciscan brother after his release, and was later present at Maria's canonization. St. Maria Goretti, pray for us!



## ATTENTION MASS MINISTERS:

The office is currently working on **August and September** ministry schedules, and we would appreciate advance notice of dates you will not be available. Thank you.

## MASS MINISTRY SCHEDULES FOR JULY 11 & 12

|                             | Saturday 4:30 p.m.            | Sunday 8:30 a.m.                                       | Sunday 10 a.m.                            |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|--|---|
| <b>Rosary</b>               | Alice Leonard                 | Karen McDonald   | Paula Wahl                                |
| <b>Greeters</b>             | Paula Sidener<br>Sue Peterson | Gary Levi<br>Jeff Murtaugh                             | David & Brenda Feller                     |
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## 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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- For more information about the St. Andrew's Call Scholarship or the application process, please contact Megan Selk at 701-838-3355 or mselk@brhs.com.



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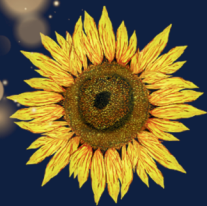
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## CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

Bismarck Diocese will be hosting Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) Level 1 training at the Cathedral of the Holy Spirit in Bismarck, ND beginning this summer! Level 1 Part A is scheduled for July 13-18, 2026. Level 1 Part B is scheduled for July 12-17, 2027. For more information, visit our website: [Catechesis of the Good Shepherd | Bismarck Diocese | Bismarck, ND](#) or Diane Huck, Office of Catechesis and Youth at [dhuck@bismarckdiocese.com](mailto:dhuck@bismarckdiocese.com) or 701-204-7206.

Napoleon/St. Philip Neri will be hosting Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) Level 1 training at St. Philip Neri in Napoleon, ND beginning late summer! Level 1 Part A is scheduled for August 26-28, 2026 AND September 11-13, 2026. Level 1 Part B is scheduled for December 4 & 5, 2026 AND January 29 & 30, 2027 AND March 5 & 6, 2027. For more information, visit our website OR copy and paste/click his link: <https://www.stphilipnerinapoleonnd.org/cgs> Contact Emily Piatz if you have any questions Office: 754-2860 or Cell: 426-8764 or by email at [stphilipneri@bektel.com](mailto:stphilipneri@bektel.com).



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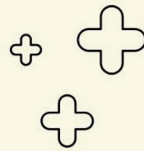


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