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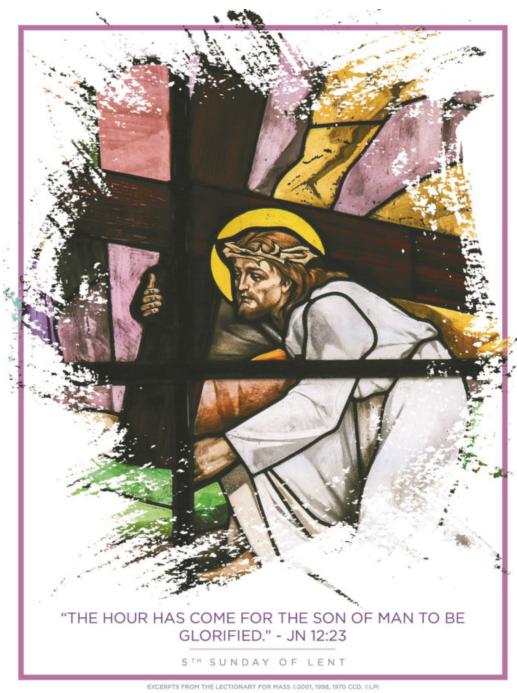
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Monday—Thursday: 8:30 a.m.—3:00 p.m.

Deadline for content in the weekly bulletin is noon on Mondays

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4:30 p.m.

(Confession 3:15 p.m. - 4:15 p.m.)

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

(Confession 7:30 a.m.-8:15 a.m. & 9:35 a.m.-9:50 a.m.)

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday – Friday: Mass 8:00 a.m. (Confession 7:30 a.m. -7:50 a.m.)

Confession can be heard anytime outside of listed times by appointment

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wednesdays after 8:00 a.m. Mass until 7:00 p.m.

The Daily Mass and
Sunday 8:30 a.m. Mass are
broadcast on our YouTube
channel. Go to our parish
website homepage to find
the direct link.

Monday, March 18th Tuesday, March 19th

6:00 p.m. Finance Council

8:00 a.m. Mass: †Leo & Mary Keller by Greg & Marie Keller

Wednesday, March 20th

8:00 a.m. Mass: †Elsie Therese Peterson by Anonymous

8:30 a.m.—7 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration

6:00 p.m. Rosary Club

6:00 p.m. Youth Religious Education

Thursday, March 21st

8:00 a.m. Mass: †Audrey Phillips by Anonymous

Friday, March 22nd

8:00 a.m. Mass: †Cletus Mapes by Jeanette Mapes

6:00 p.m. Soup & Sandwich Supper 6:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 23rd

4:30 p.m. Mass: †Gerry Dutton by Jeanette Mapes

Sunday, March 24th—Palm Sunday

8:30 a.m. Mass: For the Parish

10:00 a.m. Mass: Howard Wahl by Paula Wahl

†: Indicates deceased

Gospel Meditation

March 17, 2024 5th Sunday of Lent

A middle-aged woman sat on the couch in my parish office and recounted to me a shocking list of terrible calamities in her life: addictions, terminal illnesses, financial loss, broken relationships, and so on. She smiled as she did so. "Please forgive me," I asked, "but you seem



to be smiling as you share this." She said, "Father John, I am totally overwhelmed. But I'm smiling because I just can't wait to see what good things God does with this mess." She expected God would manifest His glory when she most needed it.

This week in the Gospel, God speaks from heaven for the third and final time in Jesus' earthly ministry. It's at a tough moment. Gentiles seek Jesus, who announces his terrible suffering, and then boldly prays, "Father, glorify your name!" John then writes: Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it and will glorify it again." Was the task of drawing the whole non-Jewish world to himself overwhelming? Or was it the terrible specter of crucifixion? Whatever it was, the crushing weight triggers his turning to the Father with an unshakeable expectation of divine glory to burst through. And indeed, it did on Easter Sunday. In our burdens, our greatest strength is to turn to God and boldly ask Him for His glory.

Lenten challenge: This week, I invite you to list out everything which is a burden to you. Write it down. Then add these words: "Father, glorify Your name in all these things!" Put that paper in your pocket or purse when you come to Holy Week liturgies next week. You might smile at the most unlikely times.

— Father John Muir ©LPi

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Saint of the Week

The Solemnity of St. Joseph

On March 19th, we celebrate the holiness in the midst of unpredictable fatherhood

We first meet Joseph

when he discovers his betrothed is pregnant...and not by him! St. Joseph does not know who the father is (yet), but he knows the punishment for adultery is death. He decides to divorce Mary quietly, and thus save her life.

When an angel appears to reveal that Mary is pregnant by the Holy Spirit, St. Joseph trusts his dream and marries her. As a new foster father, Joseph must help his wife give birth in a stable.

Later, he needs to escape the threats to his son's life by immigrating with his family to a foreign land. We know that St. Joseph is faithful, brave, and willing to sacrifice for those he loves.

On the solemnity of St. Joseph, we don't merely celebrate a carpenter. We celebrate a hero!



Sunday: 5th Sunday of Lent

Monday: St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and Doctor of

the Church

Tuesday: St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Saturday: St. Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop

Next Sunday: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord, Holy

Week begins

VIGIL CANDLE PRICE INCREASE

Please be aware that effective immediately, the price of our 6-day vigil candles will change from \$3 to \$4 per candle. Sadly, our costs have risen that much with our latest 30 case order last week. To keep our costs at a minimum, we purchase our candles from a family business in South Dakota and coordinate our delivery with other local Catholic parishes to minimize transportation costs. Unfortunately, the unit price per candle has risen to just under \$4. We thank you for your understanding. If you have any questions, please contact the parish office or Father Phillips.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

The final Stations of the Cross for this Lenten season will take place this Friday at 6:30 p.m. Our Little Flower Knights of Columbus will serve a light soup & sandwich supper at 6:00 p.m.

MASS MINISTRY SUMMER SCHEDULES:

The Parish Office is working on the June, July, August, and September Ministry schedules. If you know you have things on your schedule, please let the Parish Office know. Thank you!

Mass Ministry Schedule for March 23rd & 24th

	Saturday 4:30 p.m.	Sunday 8:30 a.m.	Sunday 10:00 a.m.
Rosary Leader	Cindy Obenchain	Carolyn Johnson	Paula Wahl
Greeter	Rose Bjelland Varden Lang	Bruce & Louise Bogenrief	Bob & Jennifer Feller
Altar Servers	Camden Lee Max Stenberg Paul Kalamaha	Calvin Olson Dexter Olson	Kirstin Brunner Lizzie Mega
Lector	Michelle Wright (Lector & Voice) Amy Lee (Narrator)	Steve Miller (Lector & Voice) Melissa Olson (Narrator)	Barb Johnson (Lector & Voice) Deacon Young (Narrator)
Eucharistic Minister	Jon Vennes	Lisa Krogman	
In-Home Ministry	Deb Mellum		
Scrip Sales	Volunteer Needed	Jill Aarseth	Jaimie Brunner

Ministry schedules can be found on our parish website under the **Office/Ministries** tab. If you are unable to serve on your assigned day, please find a replacement and contact the parish office.

We always welcome new Mass Ministry volunteers!
Contact Jill in the parish office or fill out the form on our website by clicking the sign-up form link above the ministry schedules.

HOLY WEEK & EASTER

AT CHURCH OF ST. THERESE, THE LITTLE FLOWER



Penance Service: March 27th @ 6:30pm Our Lady of Grace



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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I want to take this opportunity to thank you for your generous contributions to our 35th Annual African Mission Appeal which was held in our parishes on March 2nd and 3rd.

Your generous donation helped make this year's appeal a tremendous success. Because of your remarkable generosity, we will be able to continue our expanded programs and services that are making an incredible impact on the lives of the orphans and vulnerable children we are assisting.

The money collected for the African Mission Appeal supports our missionary activity in Kisii, Kenya, East Africa. You can be very proud of all the missionary work that we are able to accomplish because of your generosity. On behalf of our poor brothers and sisters and all the orphaned children you will be helping this year, I offer my heartfelt thank you.

I hope you get a chance to read about the exciting ministry that Fr. David Morman and Wes and Kathy Pepple are accomplishing because of your support in the Dakota Catholic Action magazine. The exciting articles describe the wonderful work and ministry made possible by your contributions. More information can also be found on our diocesan website and the African Mission Facebook page.

Once again, I thank everyone who supported our African Mission Appeal. You are faithful and generous stewards.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend David D. Kagan Bishop of Bismarck

ONLINE GIVING FUNDS

Easter Flowers:

Active from March 18th through April 7th, 2024

Good Friday – Holy Land Collection:

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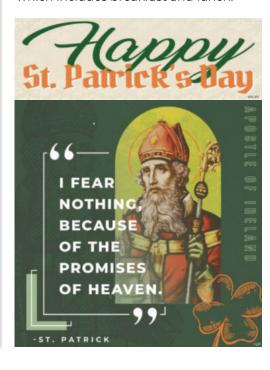
To contribute to these funds, go to our website, littleflowerminot.com under the GIVING tab.

CHRISM MASS MARCH 25TH

All are welcome to join Bishop Kagan as he celebrates the Chrism Mass on Monday, March 25 at 11 a.m. at the Cathedral of the Holy Spirit during which he consecrates the sacred Chrism and blesses the other oils. The Chrism Mass reminds us of our oneness in Christ through baptism and its holy anointing, made possible by the ministry of the bishop and his priests. Seating for the public will be limited.

WOMEN'S RETREAT APRIL 6TH

Queen of the Most Holy Rosary in Stanley is hosting a Women's Retreat on Saturday, April 6th from 9AM to 3PM. Mother Mary Joseph will speak on the topic "Holiness Reflected Through Saints and Heroes." Registration begins at 8:30 AM, or you can register online at holyrosarystanley.com. Cost is \$30, which includes breakfast and lunch.





FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION

All are welcome to attend the continuation of the First Saturday Devotion on April 6, 2024, in Minot at St. Leo the Great Catholic Church. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will begin at 9:30 AM; followed by confessions; and Mass will begin at 10:30 AM.

LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS AT OUR LADY OF GRACE

Our Lady of Grace seventh grade students, assisted by older students and adults, will perform the Living Stations of the Cross on Wednesday, March 20th and Palm Sunday, March 24th. Performance starts both days at 7:00 p.m. at Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church. During this moving enactment of the passion and death of Jesus, students act out a still scene for each of the 14 Stations of the Cross, while the story is told through songs and narration. There is no cost to attend. A free will offering will be taken. Refreshments will be served in the dining room following the Wednesday, March 20th performance.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL MESSAGE

In the Gospel today, Jesus says "Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there also will my servant be. The Father will honor whoever serves me." When we help the poor, we are truly followers of Jesus, servant of the poor.

As you make your gift to the Society of St.

Vincent de Paul, know that you are a sign of God's love to those who are suffering, and you give them Easter hope and joy.

St. Vincent de Paul meetings are held on the 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of the month in the basement at St. Leo's, beginning with a rosary at 5:10 followed by the meeting at 5:30. (701) 833-1269

EMBROIDERY HOOPS NEEDED

We are looking for about 15 medium-sized embroidery hoops medium size for a project in our Catechesis of the Good Shepherd program. Please put your names on them if you would like them back.

Bishop Ryan Catholic School News

Get Your BR Fund Raffle Tickets Now! This year's Bishop Ryan Fund Raffle features 22 great prizes including cash and a grand prize 2023 CFMoto CForce 4x4! Tickets are \$20 each and the drawing will take place during SpringFest in the Den on April 12th. Get your tickets from any Bishop Ryan family or after weekend Masses!



Now Hiring! Bishop Ryan Catholic School is currently accepting applications for the following positions for the upcoming 2024-2025 school year: **Elementary Teacher, Middle School Mathematics Teacher, and a High School English Teacher, High School Physical Education Teacher and a Varsity Football Coach.** For more information on these positions, including how to apply, please visit bishopryan.com/employment.

SCRIP NEWS: Remember to use Scrip gift cards for gifts, and to pay for your purchases. Scrip Gift Cards are available after the weekend Masses, in the parish office, and at Bishop Ryan, and you can use them for Amazon orders, groceries, gas, dining out, household supplies, clothing, furniture, vehicles, tires and accessories, building & remodeling, eye care, bikes, and more. The more Scrip gift cards you use, the more support goes towards Catholic education in Minot, so continue using Scrip gift cards as gifts and to pay for your purchases. We are so grateful for your support!



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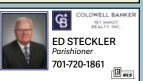
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