

AUGUST 30TH, 2026
22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

CHURCH OF ST. THERESE, THE LITTLE FLOWER

Minot, North Dakota



22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“For the Son of Man will come with his angels in his Father’s glory, and then he will repay all according to his conduct.” - Mt 16:26-27

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THIS WEEK:

Monday, August 31st

No Scheduled Events

Tuesday, September 1st

8:00 a.m. Mass

6:00 p.m. Knights of Columbus Meeting

Wednesday, September 2nd

8:00 a.m. Mass

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

5:30 p.m. CGS Family Mass

6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. CGS

Thursday, September 3rd

8:00 a.m. Mass

Friday, September 4th

8:00 a.m. Mass

Saturday, September 5th

4:30 p.m. Mass

Sunday, September 6th

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 30, 2026
Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary
Time

Matthew 16:21-27

Do you know what it is like to be thrilled by the power of Christian faith one moment and then utterly fail in it the next? I do. That is Peter in today's Gospel. After last week's bold confession, he now hears Jesus speak of suffering and death, and something in him recoils. He takes Jesus aside and tries to correct him. Jesus responds with the shocking rebuke, "Get behind me, Satan."

Peter is the mirror of every disciple. We love Jesus until he contradicts the script we have written for our lives. Peter does not reject Jesus. He rejects a suffering Jesus. So do we, whenever we avoid a hard responsibility, resist a demanding relationship, or cling to comfort instead of choosing love. We want a Lord who supports our plans, not one who overturns them.

Yet Jesus does not discard Peter. He redirects him. "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me." In effect, Jesus says, stop trying to lead me. Let me lead you. Discipleship does not begin with heroism or clarity but with surrender. It means trusting that God's path to life often passes through places we would never choose.

Peter is all of us. We move from insight to confusion, from confidence to correction. That is why we should have hope. Jesus patiently teaches us again and again. Trust me. Get behind me. Follow me. When we stop fighting the crosses that come and start carrying them with him, we discover a freedom deeper than comfort and a love stronger than fear.

— Father John Muir ©LPi

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 30, 2026

Sunday: 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Thursday: St. Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church

Next Sunday: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS INTENTIONS

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1ST

+Louis Zent by Your Family

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2ND

+Caroline Levi by Gary Levi

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 3RD

+Marie Caroline by Mike Kramer

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 4TH

+Mike Brunner by Bonnie Brunner

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5TH

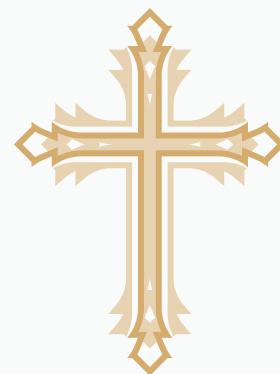
4:30 p.m.: Vernon Dixon by Elaine Jundt

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6TH

8:30 a.m. +Donald Wald by Clarence and Amy Aberle

10:00 a.m. For the Parishioners

+Indicates Deceased



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.**



Questions of the Week

1ST READING

Jeremiah wrestles with an inner struggle to proclaim the word of the Lord that comes to him. Who helps you work through distress or anxiety?

2ND READING

Paul challenges believers not to conform to the present age but be transformed by the renewal of their minds. What in our "present age" needs to be avoided?

GOSPEL READING

Peter does not want to accept Jesus' destiny as the Messiah who suffers greatly and dies. How do you process difficult news or information?

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday-Thursday 8:30AM-3PM

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JULY 2026 OFFERTORY

	Actual	Budget
Adult Collection	\$18,384	\$20,833
Student Envelopes	\$0	\$0
Loose Collection	\$2,586	\$2,708
Holy Day Collection	\$15	\$0
ACH/Online Giving	\$6,574	\$5,417

July Totals	\$27,558	\$28,958
July Shortage	(\$1,400)	

HOW CAN YOU SUPPORT OUR PARISH?

Being a part of our parish shouldn't be just attending Sunday Mass. We need your help! Whether it's Mass ministries, spending an hour with our Lord in Eucharistic Adoration, or working behind the scenes volunteering your time and talent, there are so many ways to contribute. How could God be calling you to support our parish? Contact our parish office for more information!

LITTLE FLOWER LIBRARY

Grow in your Faith! Explore a wide selection of Catholic books, biographies, lives of Saints and spiritual growth materials for all ages. Library is located in the Parish Conference Room and is open Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 8:30am until 3:00pm. Simple checkout procedure available on clipboard next to the shelves. Come in, find a good book (we have a few CDs and DVDs too) and deepen your walk with the Lord.

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5 Part Series: The Second Vatican Council

Part II: The Sacred Liturgy

Thursday, September 3rd, 2026

-Food and Fellowship @6:00pm

-Talk by Fr. Gregory Luger @6:45pm

Location: Mi Mexico
3816 S Broadway
Minot, ND



ATTENTION MASS MINISTERS:

Our parish office is putting together the ministry schedule for **November and December**. Please contact the office if there are any dates you are not available to serve. Once the schedule has been finalized, you will be responsible for finding substitutes for any dates.

MASS MINISTRY SCHEDULES FOR SEPTEMBER 5 & 6

	Saturday 4:30 p.m.	Sunday 8:30 a.m.	Sunday 10 a.m.
Rosary	Varden Lang	Debby Brothers	Suzanne Watne
Greeters	Mike & Mary Sander	Gary Levi Jeff Murtaugh	David & Brenda Feller
Altar Servers	Max Stenberg	Curt Saari Hadley Duchscherer Tucker Duchscherer	Clare Young Julia Young James Young
Lector	Wanda Kalamaha	Michelle Saari	Steve Bueschel
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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

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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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	Craig Bauer
Bertsch	Alvin Wirtzfeld
Harvey Jevne	Delbert Fugere
Barbara Goedecke	Delbert "Del" Marum
John Roshau	Rachel Samulenok
David Drey	Douglas McMahon
Casper Bakken	Clete Burbach
Eugene Rubbelke	Caroline Levi
Odmar Pfeifer	Agnes Larcombe
Myrtle Kramer	David A. Bickler
Clara Dahl	Erika Eckel
Carol Mae Aisenbrey	Lucille Nathan
Marvin Allex	Mary Rioux
Clara Schettler	Colette Zietz
John Nush	

September Wedding Anniversaries

2nd Janet Hanson	20th John & Vicki Martinson
3rd Steve & Brittany Miller	20th Fred & Elizabeth Brooks
6th Judy Stein	20th Deb Mellum
6th Barry & Rebecca Amos	21st Gerald & Arlene Fiedler
7th Philip & Sharon Bohl	26th Robert & Stephanie Hoffart
7th Jersey & Kayla Benson	26th Ben & McKayla Bohl
15th Riley & Courtney Keller	27th Jacob & Eden Lizotte
16th Lance Behm & Stephanie Ritter	30th Ben & Madison Magnuson
18th Audrey Collins	30th Sally Ault

FALL DINNER

St. Hildegard Church Fall Dinner – Sept. 13

St. Hildegard's Church in Menoken, ND will be hosting their annual Fall Dinner on Sunday, Sept 13 from 11AM -2PM. 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, home baked goods and fresh garden produce for sale. Meal is \$17.50 for adults; \$8 for children ages 4-12; free for children 3 and under. Raffle tickets are available for \$10 each or 3 for \$20, (with over \$15,000 in prizes!) Winners will be drawn at 4PM. Join us for an afternoon of fellowship and fun for all ages! Sunday Mass will be at 10AM. 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, "For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it." The challenge is to let go so God can lead us.

This month, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul enabled the poor to experience Jesus' presence by assisting several families, providing for food, for utility and rent bills, etc. Thank You! 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.

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Mark Schultz

SEPTEMBER 20TH

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U.S. Bishops' Initiative to Inform Communities on the Danger of Abortion Pills Includes Prayer, Education, and Advocacy

WASHINGTON - The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' (USCCB) Committee on Pro-Life Activities is inviting Catholics to join a focused effort of prayer and action to stop the spread of abortion pills. The initiative will take place August 18 through October 31, which includes the month-long commemoration of Respect Life Month observed each October by the Catholic Church in the United States.

"Every abortion involves the death of a child and harm to the mother," said Archbishop Paul S. Coakley, president of the USCCB, and Bishop Daniel E. Thomas, chairman of the USCCB's Committee on Pro-Life Activities, in a joint invitation announcing the initiative. "Now with easier access to abortion pills, the abortion rate is tragically climbing, along with increased health risks."

In addition to invoking the intercession of St. Joseph, Defender of Life, participants can learn about the danger of abortion pills which have become accessible through telehealth appointments and at pharmacies, leading to increased risks to women, and the abortion rate tragically climbing. Participants of the initiative are encouraged to share information about the dangers of abortion pills, and sign up to send messages to pharmacies, distributors, and pharmaceutical companies at Respect Life Prayer and Action.

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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.

4th Annual Blue Mass

A Blue Mass is an opportunity for Catholics and non-Catholics to come together to pray for, and celebrate all active, retired and deceased law enforcement officers, firefighters and emergency medical personnel who serve the community. We also want to offer prayers to God for their continued protection.

The color blue, predominantly worn by the men and women in service, provides the name for the Blue Mass.

ST. JOHN THE APOSTLE
CATHOLIC CHURCH

2600 W Central Ave
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Thursday, September 10th at 6:00 pm

A light reception will follow Mass
in the church gathering space. All
are welcome to attend!

The Blue Mass is
sponsored by Knights of
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2026 September

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1 8 AM Mass 6:00 PM KC Adoration, Rosary & Meeting	2 8 AM Mass 8:30 AM - 4 PM Adoration 5:30 PM CGS Family Mass 6 PM CGS	3 8 AM Mass	4 8 AM Mass	5 9 AM First Saturday Devotion at St. John's 4:30 PM Mass
6 8:30 AM & 10 AM Mass	7 LABOR DAY	8 5:30 PM Environment Committee	9 No Adoration 6PM CGS	10	11 8 AM Mass	12 9 AM Serra Club Mass & Meeting 4:30 PM Mass
13 8:30 AM & 10 AM Mass 8:30 AM - 12 PM KC Breakfast	14	15 8 AM Mass	16 8 AM Mass 8:30 AM - 4 PM Adoration 6PM CGS	17 8 AM Mass 2PM Trinity Nursing Home Mass	18 8 AM Mass	19 4:30 PM Mass
20 8:30 AM & 10 AM Mass	21	22 8 AM Mass 6 PM Finance Council	23 8 AM Mass 8:30 AM - 4 PM Adoration 6PM CGS	24 8 AM Mass	25 9AM Bishop Ryan All-School Mass at Little Flower 	26 4:30 PM Mass
27 8:30 AM & 10 AM Mass	28	29 8 AM Mass	30 8 AM Mass 8:30 AM - 4 PM Adoration 6PM CGS			

FALL CLERGY CONFERENCE - NO DAILY MASS

Greetings everyone and brother Knights,

I pray that you have been enjoying god's gift of summer time fun and as we head into the new fraternal year with high hopes and expectations, I would like to tell you about the Knights of Columbus and the greatness of this group of men.

To some it may seem that the Knights is just a group of men who have long uneventful meetings and make breakfast every other Sunday to raise a little money for a local charity in the area, and may be losing its true meaning in our day and age. I hopefully can tell you in this letter that what our Knights group truly is and the great joy and grace one can receive in joining the Knights of Columbus.

First off I want to tell you a little on how the Knights of Columbus got started and what it's truly built on. Our founder Blessed Fr. Michael McGivney, felt there should be some way to strengthen religious faith in our church and at the same time provide help and financial need to families in need. So he created the Knights of Columbus on the principles of Unity, Charity, Fraternity, and Patriotism. Each of these ideals plays major role in this group that Fr. McGivney started, and urged each parish in his day to recruit members and create their own KC council to share its practices in their area.

Today we must be reminded of this and encourage the men of our catholic faith to join the Knights of Columbus, to help out those in need and build up their catholic faith at the same time. Like I said before we are not just a group of men coming together for meetings and making pancakes, our KC group is more than that.

I personally can say that joining the Knights of Columbus and being part of a great group of faithful men, has benefited me greatly in my life and has made me more in love with my catholic faith. Filling my life with complete love and joy by coming together with the men of our group and helping out where and when needed while at the same time enjoying the fellowship and friendship with everyone greatly, and more importantly coming together as men in prayer.

We come together every month on the first Tuesday for our meetings. Starting off with prayer together in the church then our meeting follows in the gathering space where we do talk about how we can help out our church and community. It's more than just a long drawn out meeting but we come together as the men of our church and catholic faith and enjoy each other's company and fellowship over food and drinks, talking about faith, family, and fun.

If you're looking to help out in the church and volunteer we do host fundraiser breakfasts and events and are always willing and lending a helping hand to those who are in great need in our church and in the community. If you are looking to deepen yourself in the catholic faith and want to be part of something that truly helps out those in need and our catholic faith please bring to prayer the Knights of Columbus.

Thank You & God Bless
Luke Audet
Grand Knight



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