

APRIL 26TH, 2026
FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

CHURCH OF ST. THERESE, THE LITTLE FLOWER

Minot, North Dakota



4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

“A thief comes only to steal and slaughter and destroy;
I came so that they might have life and have it more
abundantly.” - Jn 10:9-10

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THIS WEEK:

Monday, April 27th

No Scheduled Events

Tuesday, April 28th

8:00 a.m. Mass

6:00 p.m. Finance Council

Wednesday, April 29th

8:00 a.m. Mass

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

6:00 p.m. CGS

Thursday, April 30th

8:00 a.m. Mass

Friday, May 1st

8:00 a.m. Mass

Saturday, May 2nd

4:30 p.m. Mass

Sunday, May 3rd

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

April 26, 2026
4th Sunday of Easter
John 10:1-10

"I am the good shepherd. A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep." John 10:11

My most boring job was working at an insurance company as a college student. My main task? Filing. Now imagine if I had told my supervisor, "I just want you to know, I'm willing to die for these files." She would have called a psychiatrist — or at least security.

There is something absurd in Jesus' words in today's Gospel: **"I am the good shepherd... I lay down my life for the sheep."** (John 10:11) It sounds noble, until you think about it. No one dies for sheep. Not a hired hand. Not even a good shepherd. Sheep are important, sure, but not worth a human life.

And yet, Jesus insists: *I will die for them.* The crowd understandably responds: **"He is out of his mind."**

C.S. Lewis once said that Jesus does not leave us the option of calling him merely a good teacher. If someone speaks like him, he is either lying, crazy, or telling the truth. John's Gospel won't let us stay sentimental. Jesus means it. He reveals a love that surpasses logic — a love that measures worth not by strength or success, but by the willingness to suffer unto death.

The Good Shepherd's madness is mercy. His cross makes no earthly sense and yet it makes divine sense. He lays down his life not for kings or saints but for sheep — for the ordinary, the unworthy, for you and me.

Think of someone who may feel unworthy of love. Do something simple and generous for them, not because they deserve it, but because Jesus did the same for you.

— Father John Muir

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OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 26, 2026

Sunday: 4th Sunday of Easter; World Day of Prayer for Vocations
Tuesday: St. Peter Chanel, Priest and Martyr; St. Louis Grignon de Montfort, Priest
Wednesday: St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church
Thursday: St. Pius V, Pope
Friday: St. Joseph the Worker; National Day of Prayer
Saturday: St. Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Next Sunday: 5th Sunday of Easter

MASS INTENTIONS

TUESDAY, APRIL 28TH

+Frances Bartsch by Karen Leifson

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29TH

Geer & Phillips Families Memory of Tiffany Geer by John & Mary Russell

THURSDAY, APRIL 30TH

+Dorothea Howey by Donna Norstegaard

FRIDAY, MAY 1ST

+Mitchell Watne by Suzanne Watne

SATURDAY, MAY 2ND

+John H. Landsiedel V by Denise Zahn

SUNDAY, MAY 3RD

8:30 a.m. Geer & Phillips Families Memory of Tiffany Geer by John & Mary Russell

10:00 a.m. For the Parishioners

+Indicates Deceased



Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Joann Tanberg** who recently passed away.

May the souls of the faithfully departed by the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

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Monday-Thursday 8:30AM-3PM

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MARCH 2026 OFFERTORY

	Actual	Budget
Adult Collections	\$30,166	\$19,167
Student Envelopes	\$0	\$0
Loose Collection	\$3,948	\$2,167
Holy Day Collection	\$75	\$0
ACH/Online Giving	\$6,043	\$6,833

March Totals	\$40,232	\$28,167
March Overage	\$12,065	

31 ROSARY CLUB

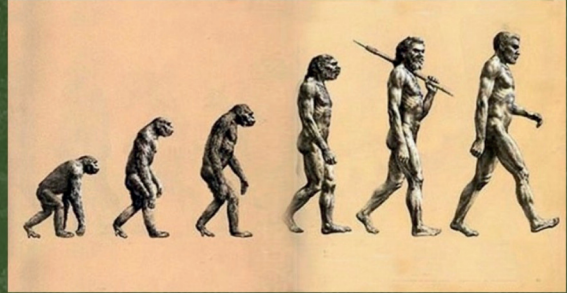
Are you willing to pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life? The Serra Club of North Central North Dakota is again coordinating the prayer initiative entitled "31 Rosary Club" in each parish in the Bismarck Dioceses. We are requesting parishioner to sign up to pray the rosary for vocations on a selected day of each month for one year. The parish has a sign-up sheet and prayer cards for those willing to participate. We can only imagine the fruits that may be realized in the Bismarck Diocese with active participation in this prayer initiative. If we persevere, Mary will prevail.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL MESSAGE

Today, we celebrate "Good Shepherd Sunday" where we reflect on Jesus' care and love of us and hear his words, "I came so that they may have life and have it more abundantly." By your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul you will reveal the love of the "Good Shepherd" to your suffering brothers and sisters.

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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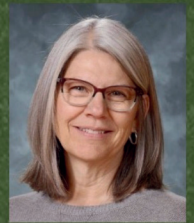


A Catholic Understanding of Evolution

Thursday, May 7th, 2026

- Food and Fellowship @6:00pm
- Talk by Mrs. Julia Koble @6:45pm
(Biology Teacher at Bishop Ryan)

Location: Mi Mexico
3816 S Broadway
Minot, ND



ATTENTION MASS MINISTERS:

Summer is a busy time for families. The office is currently putting together Mass ministry schedules for June, July, and August and would greatly appreciate advance notice of dates you will not be available. Please be safe out there and enjoy God's beautiful creation!

MASS MINISTRY SCHEDULES FOR MAY 2 & 3

	Saturday 4:30 p.m.	Sunday 8:30 a.m.	Sunday 10 a.m.
Rosary	Janet Murphy	Debby Brothers	Barb Johnson
Greeters	Denise Zahn	Carolyn Johnson Diane Wittmayer	Steve Bueschel
Altar Servers	Dan Christen Sara Haarstad	Jeff Murtaugh David White	Dakota Johnson Christoph Schach
Lector	Amy Lee	Joshua Snyder	Jaimie Brunner
Eucharistic Minister	Mike Sander	Karen McDonald	Deacon Stephen Young
Scrip Sales	Tracy Christen	Jill Aarseth	Kathy Wentz

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SUNDAY MASS BROADCAST ON
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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

BISHOP RYAN CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS

St. Andrew's Call Scholarships Do you have a student entering 6th, 7th, 8th, or 9th grade who may be interested in attending Bishop Ryan Catholic School? For the 2026–2027 school year, a limited number of St. Andrew's Call Scholarships will be available for new, accepted students. This two-year scholarship provides:

\$2,000 toward tuition in the first year

\$1,000 toward tuition in the second year

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. Is God calling your family to Catholic education? Now enrolling preschool through grade 12 for the 2026–2027 school year. For a tour or more information contact Megan Selk at 838-3355.



Congratulations to this year's Bishop Ryan Fund Raffle winners: Toro TimeCutter Max, courtesy of Pure Powersports: Carli Weidler, \$5,000 cash; Susan Hale, \$1,000 cash each; Jeff Kinlaw and Maximiliano Lopez, \$500 cash each; Amanda Lee and Tara Uran, Ultimate Nascar Fan Getaway, courtesy of Trusted Tire and Jerome's Collision Center; David Aas, \$2,000 I. Keating Furniture World Home Shopping Spree; Fr. Adam Maus, Halo Prime 1500 Smoker, courtesy of The Meat Company; Jim Kunzelman, Trax LT E-Bike, courtesy of Val's Cyclery and BRCS; Tammy O'Brine, Hechler & Koch VP9SK 9mm Handgun; Denny Schneider. A huge thank you to our Bishop Ryan families and the parishioners from our four Catholic parishes who sold and/or purchased our Bishop Ryan Fund raffle tickets. Your support is greatly appreciated!

Are You Called to be Part of Something Special in Catholic Education? There are amazing things going on in our hallways and classrooms, and Bishop Ryan may be the place for you! We are accepting applications for the following faculty positions for the 2026-2027 school year: Kindergarten Readiness Instructor, Elementary Music Instructor, Food Services Assistant, and After-School Strings Instructor (Part-Time Position) For more information or to apply for these positions, please contact Principal Tanya Steckler at (701) 838-3355 or tsteckler@brhs.com.

For the Older Child (Ages 6 – 12)

With the older child (ages 9 – 12) a third presentation of the history of salvation focuses on the plan of God in history as a plan of communion, a plan which links all people together through God's love. The emphasis is on our response to this unfolding generosity of God and recognition of the responsibilities that come with receiving God's great gifts and seeing oneself as a collaborator with God. "What is the kingdom of God and my place in it?" is a cosmic query which lays the foundation for a life commitment in relationship with God.



BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN

The annual Dakota Hope Clinic Baby Bottle Campaign is coming to Little Flower on Mother's Day: Sunday, May 10th. Be on the lookout for bottles at the entrances to fill with loose change, cash, or a check to help support the mission of DHC. Collection will be on Father's Day, June 21st.

MAKE PLANS TO JOIN US!

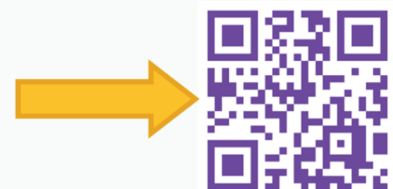


All children currently in Grades K-4 are invited to join us for Vacation Bible School at Bishop Ryan Catholic School

JUNE 15TH-18TH
5³⁰ PM-8³⁰ PM EACH EVENING

Registration: \$50 per child
*includes a special Rainforest Falls t-shirt!
Spots are limited. Registration closes when all spots are reserved or May 8th, whichever comes first.

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN AT
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MAY 2026

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1 8 a.m. Mass	2 9:30 a.m. First Saturday Devotion at St. John's 4:30 p.m. Mass
3 8:30 a.m. & 10 a.m. Mass	4	5 8 a.m. Mass 6 p.m. KC Adoration, Rosary & Meeting	6 8 a.m. Mass 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. Adoration	7 8 a.m. Mass	8 8 a.m. Mass	9 9:00 a.m. Serra Club Mass & Meeting 4:30 p.m. Mass
10 8:30 a.m. & 10 a.m. Mass <i>Mother's Day</i> KC Muffins 8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.	11	12 8 a.m. Mass	13 8 a.m. Mass 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. Adoration	14 8 a.m. Mass	15 8 a.m. Mass	16 4:30 p.m. Mass
17 8:30 a.m. & 10 a.m. Mass Bishop Ryan Graduation	18	19 8 a.m. Mass	20 8 a.m. Mass 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. Adoration	21 8 a.m. Mass	22 8 a.m. Mass	23 4:30 p.m. Mass
24 PENTECOST 8:30 a.m. & 10 a.m. Mass 	25 MEMORIAL DAY	26 8 a.m. Mass 6 p.m. Finance Council	27 8 a.m. Mass 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. Adoration	28 8 a.m. Mass	29 8 a.m. Mass	30 4:30 p.m. Mass
31 THE MOST HOLY TRINITY 8:30 a.m. & 10 a.m. Mass						



KC Council 9906

Breakfast

Sunday, April 26

8:30 AM to 12:30 PM

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Biscuits and Sausage Gravy

Pancakes

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PLEASE PRAY FOR THE MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH WHO HAVE PASSED AWAY OVER THE YEARS IN THE MONTH OF MAY

Frank Keogh
Thomas Clifford
Mervyn Salo
Clayton Johnson
Edith Fulkerson
Timothy McGrath
Edgar Boschert
Joseph Gange
David Gorgenes
Warren Digman
Amelia Bready
Harry Stoner
Sara Montgomery
Clementina Weber
John Wagner
Joseph Filipek
Charles Byrne
John Simonieg
Leonard Murdock
Henry Kremer
Clara Locktowe
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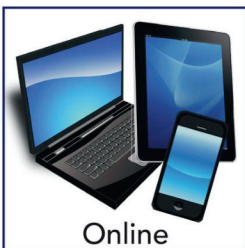
Lorraine Schmitz
Sharon Hulet
Ronald Karnack
Harold Hulet
Sharon Schlag
Dorothy Fairweather
Betty Colby
Carrie Anderson Schrepel
Stanley Skudlarek
Leona Rubbelke
Peter Wentz
Kathryn Stroklund
Shirley Ahmann
Alice Gerle
Kirk Hansen
Jacqueline Flagstad
Marie Saunders
Kenneth Korgel
Florence Vandal
Patrick Keller
Dale Mellum
Howard Trudell
Mary Nowak
Jeanne Curry
Loran Lux
Christina Mattern
Jenny Malsom
Martin Gross
Raphael Hage!

God's Share Appeal May 2-3

The 69th Annual God's Share Appeal will be held next week in our parish. Just as we are one in the Body of Christ, we must remember that we are one with other parishes in our diocese. Bishop Kagan is asking each of us to make a commitment to support our diocesan ministry. This effort is a means by which we can all work together to care for the Church by sharing the gifts God has entrusted to us. Our parish goal is 100% participation and with your gift we can do it. Please experience the joy of giving and join us as we work to continue God's work of spirituality, charity and education.

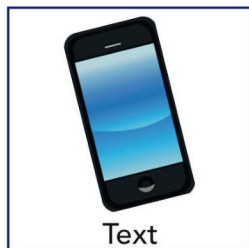
God's Share
Appeal

Ways to Give



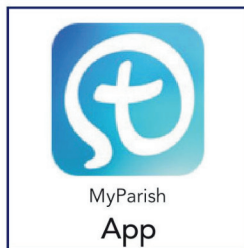
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Mother's Day

MUFFINS

Sunday, May 10th following the
8:30 a.m. Mass until 11:30 am.

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