



# CHURCH OF ST. THERESE, THE LITTLE FLOWER



## Sunday, August 20th, 2023

### 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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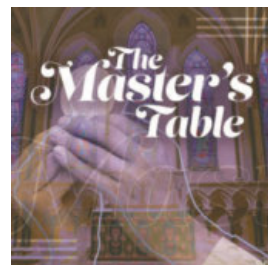
## Gospel Meditation

The suffering of a child symbolizes uniquely terrible evil as well as despair about the future. This week's Gospel gives a "limit" case in which Jesus encounters this evil in the form of a mother with a suffering daughter. What he does is stunning and massively helpful for us if we bravely ponder the details.

The Canaanite woman comes to Jesus and begs his mercy. "My daughter is tormented by a demon," she declares to him. Shockingly, he responds first with silence, then with a dismissive comment, and only then finally accedes to her third request. Is this simply a lesson in perseverance in our petitions to God, who is like a genie in a bottle? Does that justify the humiliation and pain this woman suffers? Is the Lord cruel?

I don't think so. Notice how the encounter ends. She compares herself to a dog at the table of a master. Jesus responds by praising her great faith and fulfills her deep desire. Somehow this non-Israelite woman intuits that this harrowing situation is not dumb suffering. She senses that the door of God's family is, in Jesus, being opened to her and her loved ones. She trusts she is at the Lord's table, and her desires will be fulfilled and that all her sufferings – and her daughter's, too – will lead a great banquet. In our sufferings this week, the Lord wants us to treat him less like a genie in a bottle and more like the Master who has taken us – lost little dogs that we are – into his home forever. Trust that and keep praying in the face of evil.

– Father John Muir ©LPi



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### OFFICE HOURS

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: Vigil Mass 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*

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wednesdays after 8:00 a.m.

Mass until 4:00 p.m.

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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.

## The Week Ahead

### Monday, August 21st

### Tuesday, August 22nd

8:00 a.m. Mass: †Jerome Fjeld by Catholic Daughters

### Wednesday, August 23rd

8:00 a.m. Mass: †Matt Klein by Catholic Daughters

**8:30 a.m.—4:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration**

**6:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m. Parish Picnic at Oak Park**

### Thursday, August 24th

8:00 a.m. Mass: †Bruce Everson by Les & Kim Lee

### Friday, August 25th

8:00 a.m. Mass: †Rose Marie Rawlinson by Agnes Brandt

### Saturday, August 26th

4:30 p.m. Mass: †Linda Anderson by Denise Zahn

### Sunday, August 27th

8:30 a.m. Mass: †Rose & John Coughlin by Lisa Krogman

10:00 a.m. Mass: For the Parish

†: Indicates deceased

***The Little Flower Parish Office will be closed on August 23rd, 24th,  
and 28th. Kathy will be in after 4:30 p.m. on each of those days.***



### Observances for the Week of August 21st

Sunday: 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: St. Pius X, Pope

Tuesday: The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Wednesday: St. Rose of Lima, Virgin

Thursday: St. Bartholomew, Apostle

Friday: St. Louis; St. Joseph Calasanz, Priest

Next Sunday: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Mass Ministry Schedule for August 26th & 27th

	Saturday 4:30 p.m.	Sunday 8:30 a.m.	Sunday 10:00 a.m.
<b>Rosary Leader</b>	Julie Gayzur	Karen McDonald	Paula Wahl
<b>Greeter</b>	Rick & JoAnn Randall	Bruce & Louise Bogenrief	Paula Rudser-Stolba Family
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Emma Sander Michael Sander	Jeff Murtaugh John & David White	Danica Stolba Emmit Vickerman
<b>Lector</b>	JoAnn Randall	Edward Wall	Steve Bueschel
<b>Eucharistic Minister</b>	Paul Sander	Lisa Krogman	
<b>In-Home Ministry</b>	Deb Mellum	Bob & Christine Greene	
<b>Scrip Sales</b>	Tracy Christen	Diane Wittmayer	Paula Rudser-Stolba

## FALL SCHEDULE

**Watch for the Fall schedule changes that will begin September 13th:**

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd: 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.  
First Year Confirmation: 6:00 p.m.–7:00 p.m.  
Eucharistic Adoration: 8:30 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.  
St. Therese Rosary Group: 6:00 p.m.

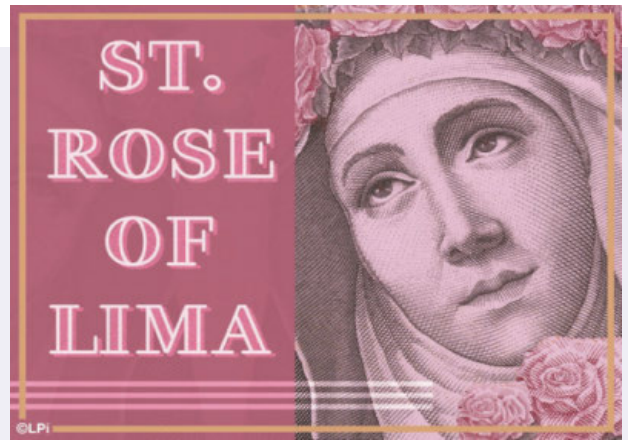


### LITTLE FLOWER KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MONTHLY AWARDS:

Server of the Month: **Michael Sander**, a young and energetic man who is excited about the faith while serving the Mass along side with his sister. It is always a joy to see him and his family around the church.

Family of the Month: **Philip & Sharon Bohl**, who have been long time parishioners at our parish and we are blessed to have them. Philip is always showing his support in our council, still attending our meetings and making sure that I am keeping on track and doing a good job, but most importantly he is a prayerful man in our group always at daily Mass and praying the rosary. Alongside him is his wife Sharon who is always supportive in our group and in the church. It is an absolute joy to see them together in Mass and especially at our KC breakfasts.

Knight of the Month: **Austin Artz**, who is a brilliant young man, deep in his faith, on fire for the Catholic Church, and deeply involved with the Knights. He is part of our council, but isn't always at our KC events and meeting having to be away for work, but is praying for us and showing his support. But when he is around he loves hanging out with the guys in our group and having fun.



### AUGUST 23rd

Born Isabel Flores de Olivia in April 1586 in Lima, Peru to Spanish colonists, Saint Rose of Lima took the name Rose at her confirmation in 1597. Legend holds that she received this nickname as an infant because a servant saw her face transformed into a rose.

Even as a child Saint Rose was dedicated to Christ. Growing up she made many secret penances. And when she was old enough to be married, deterred suitors by cutting off her hair and rubbing pepper on face to make it blister. She took a vow of chastity even though her parents wished her to marry. She fasted many times a week and permanently abstained from meat.

Eventually her parents gave in and allowed her to join the Third Order of St. Dominic, although she was not permitted to live in a convent. Saint Rose undertook severe penances, allowing herself only two hours of sleep a night in order to have more time to pray, wearing a heavy silver crown with spikes on the inside imitating Christ's crown of thorns, and even burning her own hands. However, she also cared for the sick and hungry, and sold her beautiful embroidery and fine lace, as well as flowers she grew to help raise funds for the poor.

She died at the age of 31 on August 24, 1617. Pope Clement X canonized her in 1671, she was the first saint of the New World, born in the Americas. Saint Rose of Lima is the patron saint of Latin America and the Philippines.

### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL MESSAGE

The Gospel today announces that the kingdom and salvation are for all people. It is our persistent calling out to Jesus and our faith that count, for Jesus always responds.

With love for your neighbors who have nothing, consider making a gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. 701-833-1269

St. Vincent de Paul meetings are held in the basement at St. Leo's on the first and third Mondays beginning with a rosary at 5:10. The meetings begin at 5:30. 701-833-1269



## JULY 2023 OFFERTORY

	Actual	Budget
Adult Collections	\$21,956	\$17,500
Student Envelopes	\$0	\$0
Loose Collection	\$2,401	\$1,250
Holy Day Collection	\$122	\$833
ACH/Online Giving	\$6,185	\$7,083
July Totals	\$30,664	\$26,666
July Overage	\$3,998	

### ONLINE GIVING FUND

The online giving fund for the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary will be active through August 31st. To give to this fund, go to our parish website under the GIVING tab.

## CORAZON WEEKEND

Are you or someone you know struggling in a marriage? The diocesan program for troubled marriages called Corazon (Spanish for heart) is available the weekend of Sept. 29-Oct. 1. Couples who may be in a marriage in crisis are encouraged to attend a weekend. All confidences are kept and privacy for anyone inquiring about or attending a Corazon retreat is a priority. For questions, contact Amanda at 204-7205. For couple registration or additional information, visit [bismarckdiocese.com/corazon](http://bismarckdiocese.com/corazon).

## Registration is Open!

### 2023-24 YOUTH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AT LITTLE FLOWER

**SIGN UP BY AUGUST 25TH**  
**CLASSES BEGIN SEPTEMBER 13TH**

- CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD (AGE 3-GRADE 6)
- DECISION POINT (GRADE 7)
- CONFIRMATION



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**OR PICK UP A FORM AT  
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MORE INFO AVAILABLE ON OUR PARISH WEBSITE

Eucharistic Adoration will be changing to regular hours of 8:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on September 13th. Please look over your schedule and contact Jill in the Parish Office.

**Looking for coverage: Noon-1PM,  
4PM-5PM, 5PM-6PM, 6PM-7PM**

## BISHOP RYAN CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS

**We're Hiring!** Bishop Ryan Catholic School is now hiring. If you're looking for an opportunity to be part of a team that instills virtue and celebrates faith while encouraging students to achieve academically and socially, Bishop Ryan may be the place for you! We are hiring for

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## Prayer

Jesus, help me to be brave.  
I know you can do anything.

## Mission for the Week

If you know someone who is sick, be brave and pray about it. Jesus can do anything.

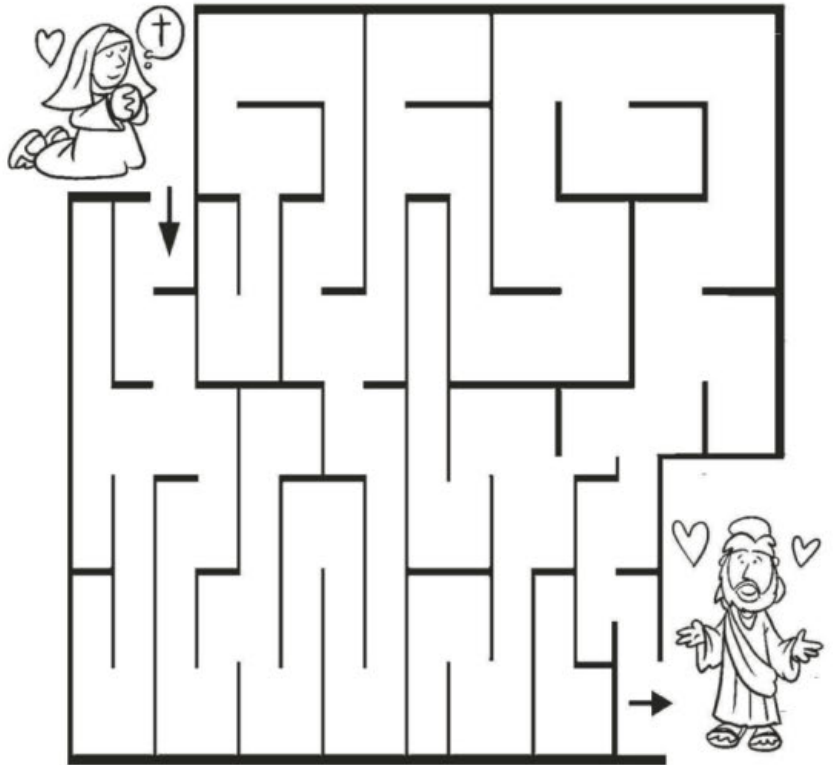
## Sharing the Gospel

Jesus met a woman who had amazing faith. She was brave. She was loud. She did not care what anybody else thought. Jesus was the Savior, and she knew he could heal her daughter. Jesus can help you with any problem you have, too. Be brave. Keep asking Jesus for help. God is strong. He can do anything.

**Now color  
the picture!**



Help this woman find Jesus.





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