

OCTOBER 11TH, 2026
28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

CHURCH OF ST. THERESE, THE LITTLE FLOWER

Minot, North Dakota



THIS WEEK:

Monday, October 12th
No Scheduled Events

Tuesday, October 13th
8:00 a.m. Mass
5:30 p.m. Environment Committee

Wednesday, October 14th
8:00 a.m. Mass
8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Adoration
6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. CGS

Thursday, October 15th
8:00 a.m. Mass
2:00 p.m. Trinity Nursing Home Mass

Friday, October 16th
8:00 a.m. Mass

Saturday, October 17th
4:30 p.m. Mass

Sunday, October 18th
Mass: 8:30 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.
12:30 p.m. Catholic Fundamentals

DAILY MASS: TUES-FRI 8AM
SATURDAY VIGIL MASS: 4:30PM
SUNDAY MASS: 8:30AM & 10AM
EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: WEDNESDAYS 8:30AM-4PM

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GOSPEL MEDITATION

October 11, 2026
Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Matthew 22:1-14

Some friends invited me to one of the most famous and expensive restaurants in the country. I was grateful and eager to go. One invited friend even flew from another state for the experience. Every bite and sip was truly memorable and delicious. But my friends' teenage children spent much of the time on their phones, complained about the food, and generally ignored the once-in-a-lifetime experience. I wanted to yell, "C'mon, you guys! Look what you're missing!"

In today's parable, Jesus describes people invited to an amazing wedding feast who respond with inexplicable indifference. He says, "Some ignored the invitation and went away, one to his farm, another to his business" (Matthew 22:5). The problem is not that they choose evil but that they allow other desires to distract them from an amazing opportunity. The feast is prepared, but their hearts are elsewhere. In Christ Jesus, God offers each of us a wildly extravagant offer: a place at the wedding banquet between heaven and earth.

What are your current excuses for the delay in engaging with Jesus? How are you postponing a deepening of your relationship with him under the guise of responsibility? The good news is that the feast is ready. His invitation remains. Hear the Lord say to us, "C'mon, guys! Look what you're missing!" Then respond with concrete action.

— Father John Muir
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OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 11, 2026

Sunday: 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: Columbus Day
Wednesday: St. Callistus I, Pope and Martyr
Thursday: St. Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church
Friday: St. Hedwig, Religious; St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin
Saturday: St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr
Next Sunday: 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Mission Sunday

MASS INTENTIONS

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13TH
+Thomas Kramer by Mike Kramer

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 147TH
+Marie Caroline by Mike Kramer

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15TH
+Joann Tanberg by Varden Lang

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16TH
+Kevin Neuharth by Debby Brothers

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17TH
4:30 p.m.: +John Sladek by Lang Family

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18TH
8:30 a.m. +Caroline Levi by Gary Levi
10:00 a.m. For the Parishioners

+Indicates Deceased

Questions of the Week

1ST READING
Isaiah speaks of the Lord's lavish future blessings upon all nations and peoples. How should we, as believers, best prepare for God's future blessings?

2ND READING
Paul sees that the key to peace of mind in all of life's circumstances is to be "empowered" by Christ Jesus. How does your faith in Jesus strengthen you?

GOSPEL READING
In the Parable of the Wedding Feast, Jesus teaches that all who are invited to God's banquet are to be fully open and prepared. What are some spiritual exercises you practice to remain prepared for God's work in your life?

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Monday-Thursday 8:30AM-3PM

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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.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS MEETING

Catholic Daughters will meet on October 13 at 5:30 pm at Our Lady of Grace Church. The theme for this meeting is "western wear". Members are asked to wear an article of western influence such as a hat, scarf or shirt, etc. Lunch will be served during the meeting. Mass will begin at 7:00 PM for anyone interested in attending after the meeting. We welcome any new interested members and encourage all current members to attend. Our mission is charity and unity and St. Elizabeth's Court has been active in the Minot area for over 110 years.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL MESSAGE

In today's Gospel we hear Jesus say: "Many are invited, but few are chosen." To give thanks for all that God has given to you, have you considered answering the call to help serve the poor by joining the Society of St. Vincent de Paul?

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.

Minot Area Catholic Adults

Spirits and Truth



5 Part Series: The Second Vatican Council

Part IV: Divine Revelation

Thursday, November 5th, 2026
-Food and Fellowship @6:00pm
-Talk by Fr. Eric Artz @6:45pm



Location: Mi Mexico
3816 S Broadway
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MASS MINISTRY SCHEDULES FOR OCTOBER 17 & 18

	Saturday 4:30 p.m.	Sunday 8:30 a.m.	Sunday 10 a.m.
Rosary	Volunteer Needed	Dione Bohl	Barb Johnson
Greeters	Varden Lang Bea Grasmoen	Diane Wittmayer	Steve Bueschel
Altar Servers	Dan Christen Sara Haarstad	Stella Miller Harper Miller Crosby Miller	Emmie Schaefer Matthew Schaefer
Lector	Cathy Haarstad	Steve Miller	Steve Bueschel
Eucharistic Minister	Lou Ann Fleck	Volunteer Needed	Deacon Stephen Young
Scrip Sales	Katy Larcombe	Diane Wittmayer	Katy Schaefer

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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

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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Pray for an End to the Abortion Pill

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.

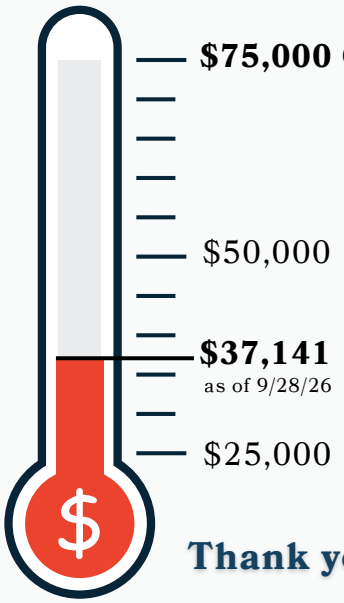
We praise God that as their faithful protector,
you never hesitated to sacrifice for those entrusted to you.

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.

LIVE THE LITURGY
Inspiration for the Week

When God extends an invitation, we don't always respond promptly. So, what's the hold-up? Let's examine our lives for anything that delays our RSVP. This is one party we can't afford to miss.
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Help Us Reach Our Goal for a New Organ!

HOW CAN YOU CONTRIBUTE?

- *Drop cash or a check in an envelope in the Sunday collection basket or at the parish office marked "Organ Fund" with "Organ Fund" also in the memo line on the check*
- *A special envelope will also be available in the 2027 quarterly envelope packets*

Thank you for helping us to reach our goal!





Dakota Johnson of Little Flower is in his Propaedeutic Year at Kenrick Glennon Seminary. If you'd like to send him cards/ letters while he is there, the address is below:

Dakota Johnson
c/o Kenrick Glennon Seminary
5200 Glennon Dr.
St. Louis, MO 63119





LITTLE FLOWER KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS

Family, Friends, & Brother Knights,

I pray that you are all doing well, keeping Jesus in your hearts with a healthy prayer life and if you want to dive more deep and in love with you Catholic faith. I invite the men of our parish to check out the Knights of Columbus. Going to Mass is great and should be practiced, but getting involved in your parish family and supporting it is more rewarding, and as I said before makes you grow closer to Jesus and your faith life. As the Grand Knight, I invite any Catholic man to join our local council. Personally, I can attest to how much my brother knights have helped me to grow in my love of God and my Catholic faith. It is a lively group of men who support one another with their prayers and fellowship and who help others by the work that we do. If you would like to learn more about your local council or become a brother Knight simply start out by asking questions and just checking it out by attending a monthly meeting to learn more about the Knight of Columbus.

We started off our breakfast season with a bang and were blessed with the donations that came in the will go towards our local pregnancy center, Dakota Hope Clinic. I hope that you can at tend our next fundraiser that will support the St. Vincent de Paul Society that will be held October 11th from 8:30-12:00 where there will be a delicious meal, fellowship, and fun!

Server of the Month: Sara Haarstad, she is a lovely young lady who loves serving in the mass and has complete joy in her faith and in Jesus Christ.

Knight of the Month: Joseph Grondin, who is a great addition to our group of guys, he is always attending our meeting, helping around the parish, and especially at our KC fundraisers, showing his support and working hard.

Family of the Month: Mick & Bridgette Minter Family, who are wonderful in our parish. They are always showing their support at our KC events and helping out around the parish grounds, es pecially with the gardening. Their two children Gabriella and Joseph you will see running around the parish at our breakfasts and attending our parish CGS classes.

Our knights want to thank those for all that they do and are tru ly blessed that they are part of our parish family and will be praying for them.

Thank you and God bless!
Luke Audet
Grand Knight

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