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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: 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
SUMMER HOURS**

Wednesdays after 8:00 a.m.
Mass until 4:00 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.**

THIS WEEK

Monday, August 19th

Tuesday, August 20th

*No Public Daily Mass: †Cheryl Miller by Perry Olson Family

Wednesday, August 21st

*No Public Daily Mass: †Robert Collins by Audrey Collins

NO EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

5:30 p.m.—8:00 p.m. Parish Picnic at Oak Park

Thursday, August 22nd

8:00 a.m. Mass: Richard Feist by Jerry Steen

Friday, August 23rd

8:00 a.m. Mass: †Jay Hight by Memorials

Saturday, August 24th

4:30 p.m. Mass: Brody & Gabbie Peterson Family by Kevin &
Dione Bohl

Sunday, August 25th

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

10:00 a.m. Mass: †Betty Schall by Edward Schall

†: Indicates deceased

*Intentions said privately while Fr. Phillips is gone

Gospel Meditation

August 18, 2024

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

A priest I know was asked by a door-to-door evangelist, "Do you believe in Jesus?" He answered, "Yes, I do. But if I may ask you," he continued, "Where do you experience Jesus' body and blood?" His interlocutor responded somewhat confusedly, "I don't. I just believe in him. That's all that is needed." Later my priest friend would relate to me, "The more I thought about it, that response struck me as totally inadequate. As human beings, we need to encounter Jesus' body and blood, not just hear about him and mentally believe. Otherwise, Jesus is just a ghost."

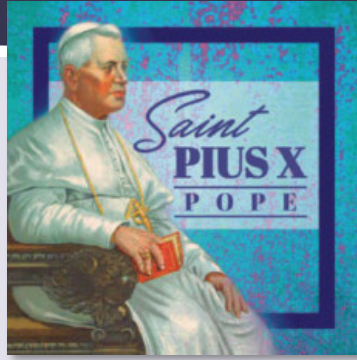
This week we see this central point as we arrive at the climactic moment of Jesus' teaching on the Eucharist. Jesus has established the importance of believing in him as the "bread of life come down from heaven." Belief deeply matters because it leads to a real, bodily encounter with Jesus through eating and drinking. That's why Jesus emphasizes to an almost outrageous degree the non-metaphorical necessity to "eat my flesh and drink my blood" (John 6:54). The real presence of Jesus' body and blood — he himself, truly, really, substantially — has been the Church's treasure since Holy Thursday. Internal belief in the heart and the ritual act of eating and drinking the Eucharist, the Church has stubbornly insisted on both, not just one or the other. This is not meant to criticize non-Catholic Christians who deeply trust and love Jesus, nor is it a triumphal elitist claim about the Catholic Mass. Rather it is a humble, trusting acknowledgement that God in Jesus comes to us in a way most proper to human beings: in our hearts and our bodies, faith and the Eucharist.

— Father John Muir ©LPi



Saint of the Week

St. Pius X (1835–1914), born Giuseppe Melchiorre Sarto, was from the Austrian Empire in what is now modern-day Veneto, Italy. He was the 257th Pope and served from 1903 until his death in 1914. St. Pius X's love for the Eucharist was evident from a young age and he carried this devotion throughout his life. As Pope, he emphasized the importance of fostering a personal relationship with Jesus through the Sacrament, advocating for its accessibility to all Catholics, regardless of social status.



One of St. Pius X's most significant contributions to the Church was the role he played in lowering the age of eligibility for First Communion. Recognizing the significance of early spiritual formation, he sought to enable children to receive the Eucharist as soon as they reached seven years old. He believed that children could experience the profound graces of the Eucharist, grow in their faith at an early age, and that the reception of Holy Communion regularly in a child's life would set the foundation for a lifetime of spiritual growth.

His papacy was also marked by his efforts to combat the rising tide of modernism — a movement that challenged traditional Catholic teachings. He wrote an encyclical entitled "Pascendi Dominici Gregis," subtitled "On the Doctrines of the Modernists," condemning modernist errors and safeguarding the integrity of Church doctrine. His commitment to preserving the traditional scope of Catholicism, especially the teachings of Christ's true presence in the Eucharist, earned him the epithet "Pope of the Eucharist."

Despite his rejection of modernism, St. Pius X was the first Pope to use a typewriter for his encyclicals, signaling an embrace of modern technology during his time as Pope. St. Pius X, Pope of the Eucharist, pray for us!

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OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 18, 2024

Sunday: 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Monday: St. John Eudes, Priest
 Tuesday: St. Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church
 Wednesday: St. Pius X, Pope
 Thursday: The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
 Friday: St. Rose of Lima, Virgin
 Saturday: St. Bartholomew, Apostle
 Next Sunday: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Catholic Trivia

Question: Who said, "Let it be done according to your word," in response to an angel's announcement to her?

(Find the answer elsewhere in this bulletin!)

ATTENTION MASS MINISTERS!

The parish office is currently putting together the ministry schedules for **September through December.**

Please contact the parish office as soon as possible if there are weekends you know you are unable to serve.

Mass Ministry Schedule for August 24th & 25th

	Saturday 4:30 p.m.	Sunday 8:30 a.m.	Sunday 10:00 a.m.
Rosary Leader	Cindy Obenchain	Carolyn Johnson	Paula Wahl
Greeter	Bob & Christine Greene	Karen McDonald Debby Brothers	Paula Rudser-Stolba Family
Altar Servers	Max Stenberg Camden Lee	Dexter Olson Calvin Olson	Dakota Johnson
Lector	Amy Lee	Perry Olson	Barb Johnson
Eucharistic Minister	Tracy Christen	Lisa Krogman	
In-Home Ministry	Deb Mellum		
Scrip Sales	Cindy Larcombe	Melissa Olson	Paula Rudser-Stolba

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 the parish office or fill out the form on our website by clicking the sign-up form link above the ministry schedules.

JULY 2024 OFFERTORY

	Actual	Budget
Adult Collections	\$18,543	\$17,917
Student Envelopes	\$0	\$0
Loose Collection	\$2,255	\$1,917
Holy Day Collection	\$32	\$1,000
ACH/Online Giving	\$7,163	\$6,667
July Totals	\$27,993	\$27,500
July Overage	\$493	

REMINDER: The online giving fund for The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is active through September 1st.

Attention: Starting Thursday, August 15th our accounts manager, Kathy, will be coming into the office at 4:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday, after she is done teaching.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL MESSAGE

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells us that "Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him." As we know, our loving God cannot be seen by our eyes, but only experienced through loving people.

With love for your neighbors who have nothing, give to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. For assistance, please call (701) 833-1269. SVdP meetings are held in St. Leo's Catholic Church basement on the 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of the month beginning with a rosary at 5:10 PM followed by the meeting at 5:30 PM. If you would like to attend a meeting, please call Janel at (701) 557-3919 for assistance in entering the church as the doors of St. Leo's are locked except for Mass times.

Congratulations to
Jacob & Abby
(Pankow) Abel,

who were married

here at St. Therese the Little
Flower on August 16th.



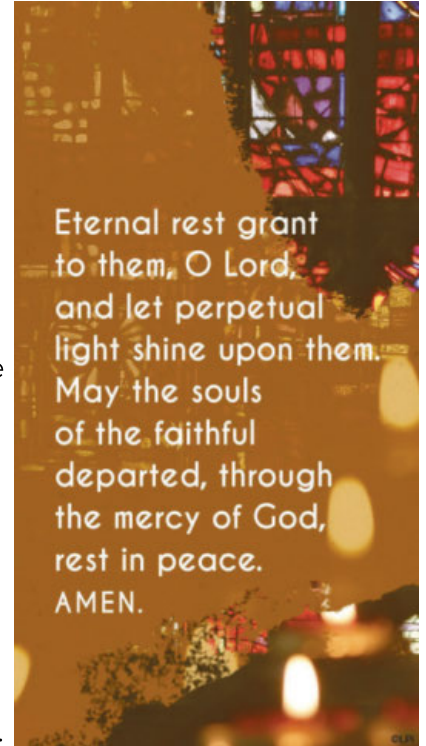
PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS THOSE WHO HAVE PASSED AWAY RECENTLY:

Tom K. Hanson, husband of Janet Hanson, whose funeral was held at St. Therese the Little Flower on August 5th.

Kathleen Froeber, former parishioner, whose funeral was held at St. Therese the Little Flower on August 9th.

Patricia Nylander, wife of Merle Nylander, whose funeral was held at St. Therese the Little Flower on August 12th.

Dennis Hendershot, former parishioner whose funeral was held at St. Therese the Little Flower on August 17th. He is the brother of Pam McKay and David Hendershot of our parish.



THIS WEEK AT OUR PARISH

PLEASE MAKE NOTE OF THESE SCHEDULE CHANGES FOR THE UPCOMING WEEK

Father Phillips will be gone August 19th- August 23rd to Mayo Clinic for medical appointments for his dad.

There will be no public Mass on August 20th & 21st, and the Mass intentions will be said privately.

Father Cunningham will be here on August 22nd & 23rd for Confession and Mass.

AUGUST IS NATIONAL MAKE-A-WILL MONTH DO YOU HAVE A WILL WRITTEN?

If not, here is an easy and FREE way to get one written. The Bismarck Diocese has secured FreeWill, an online service that makes it simple and free to create your own Will. All you have to do is click on this link: www/freewill.com/bismarckdiocese. From the convenience of your own home, you select your own username and then start typing in your information. In about 20 minutes, you are done. Once you are finished, you simply print out your Will, then have your signature witnessed by a notary public. If you have any questions, please contact the Bismarck Diocese: Ron Schatz, (701) 204-7202, rschatz@bismarckdiocese.com or Bryan Winterberg, (701) 415-0399, winterberg@bismarckdiocese.com

Faith Formation REGISTRATION

REGISTRATION FOR THE 2024-25 YOUTH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION YEAR AT LITTLE FLOWER IS NOW OPEN

As summer vacation is nearing its end, it's time to get ready for another year of religious education at Little Flower. Catechesis of the Good Shepherd classes for ages 3 through grade 6, and "The Chosen" for students in grade 7 will start on Wednesday, September 11th. Confirmation classes will start on Wednesday, September 18th. A full class schedule is available on the parish website.

Registration is open for all students, including first year Confirmation students. You can pick up a registration form from the parish office, or a PDF of the registration form is available on our website. Registration is also available in an online form, and class fee payments can be made online (a \$2.50 transaction fee applies for credit card payments).

THE REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS AUGUST 23RD IN ORDER FOR US TO PREPARE MATERIALS AND SPACE FOR STUDENTS.

Because of limited space, Little Flower parishioners will receive first priority. We ask that you sign up as soon as possible to reserve your spot.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, GO TO:

www.LittleFlowerMinot.com/youth-education



Question: Why do we have a feast for the Queenship of Mary?

Answer: For many of us, the language of kings and queens may seem like they belong to history or a medieval movie. Royalty have absolute authority over a kingdom and their subjects, a concept that is foreign to many of us today. While Jesus doesn't rule a political kingdom, we honor and recognize him as the King of Kings, Lord of Heaven and Earth. To God alone belongs absolute authority over all of existence.

We may think of queens as the spouse of the king, but there is another key relationship: the king's mother. In Biblical history, we see instances where the mother of the king is given due as a queen herself, complete with a throne! Mary's guiding influence over her Son is seen most notably in the Wedding Feast at Cana. Mary is not Queen on her own merit. She is "full of grace" and "blessed" in "all ages" because of the reign of her Son.

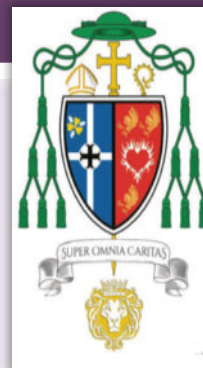
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Catholic Trivia Answer: Mary, the Mother of Jesus

Bishop Ryan Catholic School News

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/High School Music Instructor, and JV Baseball Coach.** For more information on these positions, including how to apply, please visit bishopryan.com/employment.

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Greetings everyone and brother Knights,

I pray that you have been enjoying God's gift of summertime 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 benefitted 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,
Knights of Columbus Council #9839
Grand Knight, Luke Audet

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS

**Knights and men of the parish,
join us for a BBQ August 27th! We will meet in
the church at 6:00pm to pray the rosary together, then will
move to the parking lot to grill and enjoy burgers, brats,
chips, drinks, etc. Come enjoy some fellowship with the men
of our parish and get to know our brother knights and about
our Knights of Columbus group!**

**BBQ
PARTY**



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BREAKFAST AT ST. LEO'S

Knights of Columbus Council 9906 will host a breakfast on Sunday, August 25th from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm at St. Leo's Catholic Church. Serving French Toast, Sausage, Scrambled Eggs, Biscuits & Sausage Gravy, Juice and Coffee. A free will offering will support Real Presence Radio.



YOU'RE INVITED TO THE ANNUAL

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AT OAK PARK

Wednesday, August 21st

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