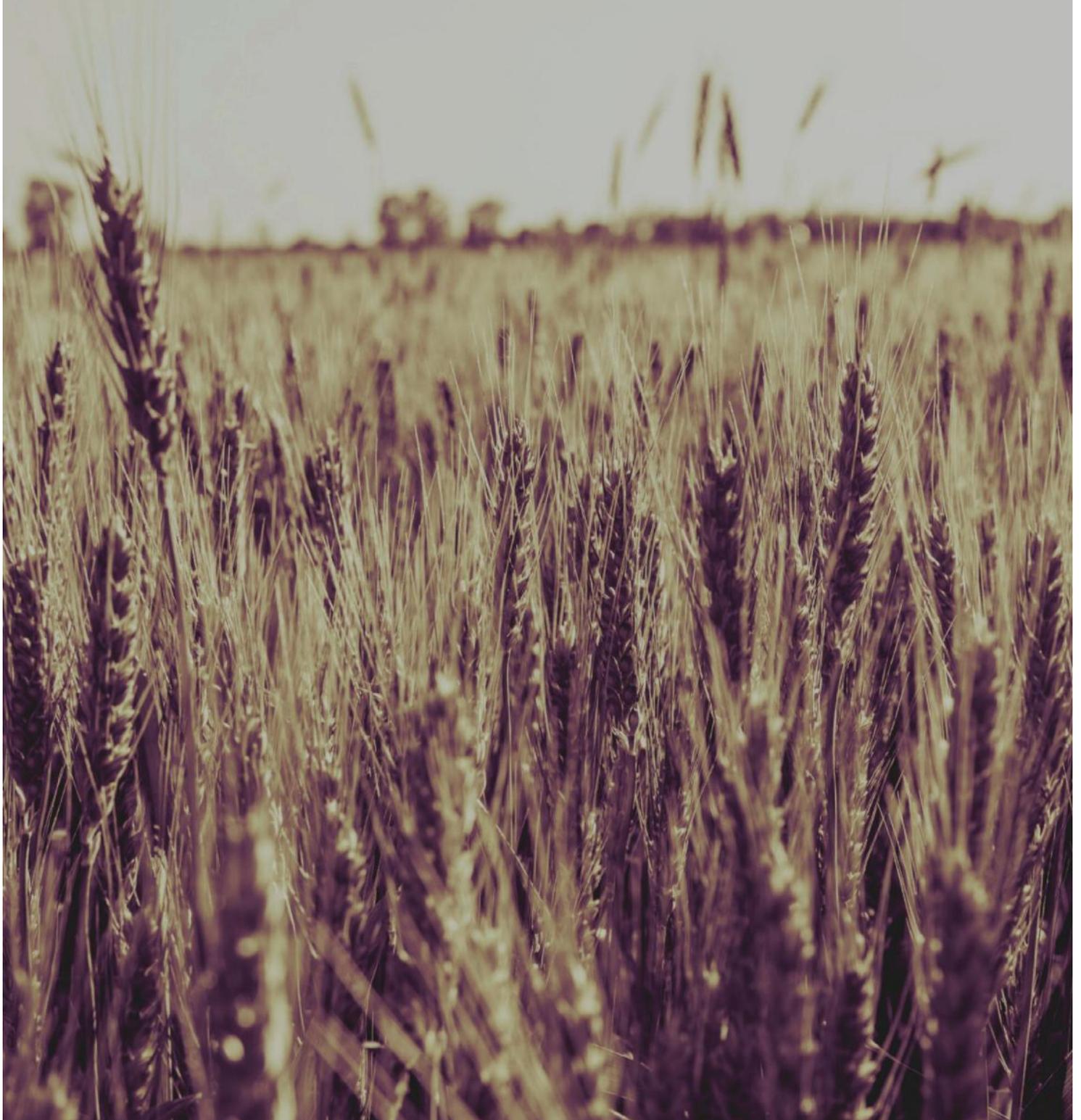


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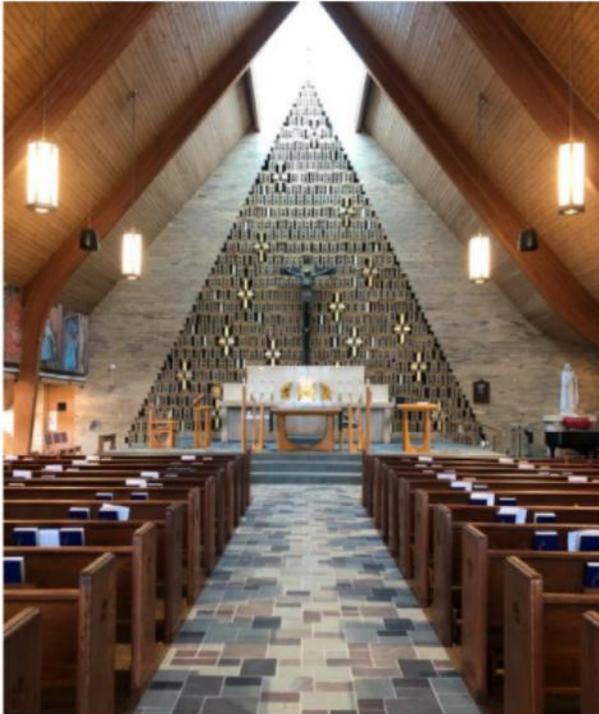
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## Letter from the Pastor

Beloved parishioners,  
Imagine yourself, a 21st Century American, traveling to a Third World country you have never been to before. How would you prepare yourself? What would your luggage contain? I imagine you would be visiting with your healthcare provider to get some shots to protect you from imaginary and possible infections. I imagine you would carry with you all kinds of prescription medicine to keep you safe from bugs and mosquitoes. I imagine you would prepare for adverse weather conditions, have the right shoes and clothes. I imagine you would do your research to learn more about the country and its people and how they treat strangers. I imagine you would be asking about hotels and how the transport system works. What about food? I am sure you would be making arrangements for places you would like to see and things you would like to do.

Imagine that the Lord was calling you to a mission, and he tells you to go to a country you have never been before. He tells you not to worry about any of the common preoccupations I have listed above, and that you would have to depend on the hospitality of strangers. How many would respond to such a call? If the Lord would ask you to travel with just one suitcase, or none at all, how many would take him seriously? Imagine that the mission the Lord is sending you was to a country famed for its hostilities to strangers, would you still go?

But Jesus never sends us on a mission he is not willing to accompany us on. He will not send us on a mission that is not

important to him. The mission of the seventy-two was to join in gathering in the ripe grains. The harvest is indeed rich but the laborers are few. The Lord tells them to pray and ask the master of the harvest to send in more laborers for his harvest. This mission is not only for the seventy-two; it is the mission of the entire Church. It is the mission you and I have been called to. Although we are sent as lambs in the midst of wolves, we are not to be afraid because the Lord is always with us on our journey. Our security is not in the provisions we make prior to leaving for the mission. Our security is not in our staff or weapons of warfare, the content of our bags or the comfort of our sandals. Our security is in God who, like a mother, nurses us, protects us, and gives us his peace. We belong to God; we bear on our bodies his mark of ownership. World events reinforce the urgency of this mission of bringing the light of Christ into the darkness; of speaking the truth in love; of sharing our peace with a broken and ailing world; of comforting those who are hurting and speaking calm into the storm. Let us never forget the example of Jesus. He resisted the errors of the Jewish authorities of his day, but won hearts by the way he loved. And he tells us, "they will know you are my disciples if you love one another" (John 13:35).

May Jesus bless you, and may Our Lady protect you!



## Are you being called to help educate & support the young disciples of our parish?

We have several positions we need to fill for our Religious Education program for the 2022-2023 school year. Please prayerfully consider offering your gifts and talents to this important ministry of forming the young Church! Contact Alexis with any questions or to volunteer.

**1- Catechist + Classroom Aids:** These people work directly with children age 3 through 6th grade. This is a weekly Sunday morning commitment for the school year.

**2- Confirmation Catechist:** These people work with our 7th and 8th grade Confirmation Candidates meeting once a month in the evening. I am asking for a 2 year commitment to walk with the group through their Confirmation.

**3- Hosting the Confirmation Class:** We are moving the Confirmation class away from Sunday Morning classes. We are hoping that we can find different families to host the group each month. They would hopefully provide dinner, a space for the group to meet, and a tv. The group's catechist will handle the actual teaching part, they would just host.



**Alexis Duffy**

Director of Catechesis

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## Scripture Readings For the Week of July 03, 2022

### Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 66:10-14c; Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20;  
Gal 6:14-18; Lk 10:1-12, 17-20 or Lk 10:1-9

**Monday** Hos 2:16, 17c-18, 21-22; Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; 2; Mt 9:18-26

### Tuesday Memorial of Saint Anthony Mary Zaccaria, Priest

Hos 8:4-7, 11-13; Ps 115:3-4, 5-6, 7ab-8, 9-10; Mt 9:32-38

### Wednesday Memorial of Saint Maria Goretti, Virgin and Martyr

Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12; Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7;  
Mt 10:1-7

**Thursday** Hos 11:1-4, 8c-9; Ps 80:2ac & 3b, 15-16; Mt 10:7-15

**Friday** Hos 14:2-10; Ps 51:3-4, 8-9, 12-13, 14 & 17; Mt 10:16-23

### Saturday Memorial of Saint Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs

Is 6:1-8; Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5; Mt 10:24-33

### Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dt 30:10-14; Ps 69:14,17,30-31,33-34,36,37  
or Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Col 1:15-20;  
Lk 10:25-37

## Weekly Rosary for Our Children

A group meets in the chapel/quiet room of the church every Wednesday at 1:30 PM to pray the Rosary and a chaplet of Divine Mercy. This group started 20+ years ago to pray for our children and grandchildren, many of whom are away from the church. Everyone and all intentions are invited.

## This week's Mass Intentions

### Saturday, July 2

5:30 pm In thanksgiving for Ron Verduin being cancer free

### Sunday, July 3

9:00 am Matthew Vu Phong Pham

11:30 am The Parish Family of St. Thérèse, Little Flower

8:00 pm †Sadie, Louis & Jim Martino

### Monday, July 4

8:30 am †Gregory Calhoun

### Tuesday, July 5

8:30 am †Harriett & Walter Bykowski

### Wednesday, July 6

8:30 am Danny Smith

### Thursday, July 7

8:30 am †Gregory Calhoun

### Friday, July 8

8:30 am †Edward Carroll

### Saturday, July 9

8:00 am Miracle for Katie Schwab

5:30 pm †Janet Kenney

### Sunday, July 10

9:00 am †Kathy L. Buszkiewicz

11:30 am †Della Stayback

8:00 pm The Parish Family of St. Thérèse, Little Flower

Welcome<sup>CRHP 2.0</sup>  
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This men's retreat far exceeded what I had expected and gave me more spirituality than I ever thought I would achieve on my own. I have found a new family of brothers within Little Flower Catholic Church. I look forward to seeing them and now know that we share the common bond of the loving Holy Spirit.

- Leon Krauss

Save the date for the next  
Men's Welcome Retreat:

August 20 & 21, 2022

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## Reasons to Believe: The Existence of God

**July 11, 2022 6:30-7:30pm, Parish Center**

Have you ever wondered what evidence there is for God's existence? Have you heard an argument from an atheist that caused you to doubt?

This presentation will offer three of the best arguments for the existence of God, and then answer your pre-submitted questions on the topic! **Submit your questions** at this link: <https://bit.ly/3A8Cute> or by scanning the code.



## June + July Household Dates

*"The Church is a family of families, constantly enriched by the lives of all those domestic churches."* - Amoris Laetitia, 87

YOU are an important part of this "family of families"! Whether you are single, married, divorced, widowed, a parent, a child - you are welcome to join us as we eat, pray, and do life together.

### Jireh

Wednesday, July 13th, 6:30 pm

### Rooted in Love

Monday, July 11th, 6:00 pm

### House of Praise

Friday, July 29th, 6:30 pm

Email [abby@littleflowerchurch.org](mailto:abby@littleflowerchurch.org) for locations or with any questions.

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## Theology on Tap Summer Series

**Tuesdays beginning July 19th, 6:30 pm,  
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Bend**

God's providence is always at work. There are no coincidences with Him, and no place is too far to be reached by His grace and mercy. While there may be some places where the world wouldn't expect Him to show up, He can move and speak in all times and places. Even in grief. Even in transition. Even in your search for belonging or desire to live a good life. Come hear stories of how people in our community have found God in unlikely places.

All young adults are welcome, Catholic or not, devoted or distant, single or married, divorced or widowed, kids or no kids. Children are welcome at our Theology on Tap events.

Learn more by visiting: [littleflowerchurch.org/for-young-adults](http://littleflowerchurch.org/for-young-adults)

## Photography talent needed!

Do you have an eye for taking beautiful photos? Whether you are skilled with a professional grade camera or your iPhone camera we would be grateful if you would share your gifts with our parish! We are building up our parish photo library for use in communications and simply to record the life of the parish. If you are interested in helping, simply take photos at parish events and share them with Megan via email [megan@littleflowerchurch.org](mailto:megan@littleflowerchurch.org). You can also email with any questions. Thank you!

## A Commitment to Helping & Empowering Women in need

As a parish we are committed to helping anyone in need. In light of the Supreme Court decision we are renewing our commitment to serve women in need - pregnant, mothering, or otherwise.

Visit [littleflowerchurch.org/need-help](http://littleflowerchurch.org/need-help) for a list of parish resources and resources in our community if you need help or know someone who does.

We encourage all parishioners to familiarize themselves with these resources in order to love and help any women in need they may encounter.

## Work for Catholic Charities!

Catholic Charities is seeking candidates for several full time positions, working from the South Bend office. To learn more about these positions and the required qualifications, please visit our website at [www.ccfwsb.org/careers](http://www.ccfwsb.org/careers)

- Mission Advancement Coordinator
- Community Services Case Manager
- Refugee Support Services Case Manager
- Mental Health Therapist
- Director of Clinical Services

## Volunteer with Pro-Life Articles

Pro-Life Articles is in need of several Volunteers, we hope you will put the following request for volunteers in your Bulletins.

Volunteers needed to work with Excel Spread Sheets. Requires approximately two hours per month.

Contact Martin Reiser.  
[Reiser33@gmail.com](mailto:Reiser33@gmail.com)

## How are you being called to help with VBS?

Interested in helping with VBS but can't commit to volunteering for the whole week? **You can sign up to help for one day or with behind the scenes needs!** Please email me if you would like to sign up or have any questions.

Speaking of VBS, please consider donating any of the following items:

- empty paper towel and toilet paper rolls
- maps you are no longer using/want to recycle
- mini water bottles
- play-doh (any color)
- colored pencils
- printer paper
- glue sticks
- green and blue plastic table cloths
- brown craft paper
- green, blue, and brown streamers
- cardboard boxes, all sizes
- blue, green, brown, and white paint

Donations can be dropped off at the parish office during office hours or in the marked container in the church vestibule.

Thank you!

## Healing Prayer Corner: A Prayer for Our Nation

As we celebrate our nation this July 4, what we need is not fireworks, but prayer. We are a deeply wounded nation. So I offer this prayer.

Loving God, help us to turn away from violence to our children, the unborn in the womb, the born living in poverty and hunger, school children living in fear of gun violence, children neglected or living in fear of abuse. Help us to be a people of peace, compassion, kindness, gentleness, and love. Help us to turn away from indifference, selfishness, anger, and vengeance. Guide us to act justly, love mercy, walk humbly. Guide our leaders to seek the common good and to legislate out of wisdom and justice. "Help us to forgive and ask forgiveness for the sins which wound and divide our world. Open our eyes to see Jesus in all people and to be Jesus to everyone." Finally, give us the faith, strength, and courage to live by Jesus' command to love one another as he loved us.

Is healing possible? Believe it! Pray for it.

## Notre Dame Campus Ministry seeks an Administrative Assistant

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Saturday..... 8:30 to 9:30 am, and 4:30 to 5:00 pm

### Eucharistic Exposition & Adoration

Monday, Wednesday, & Friday..... 9:00-9:30 am  
Saturday..... 8:30-9:30 am

### Additional Sacraments

**Baptism & Anointing of the Sick**—Contact the office for more information.  
**Marriage**—Please contact the office at least 6 months in advance.

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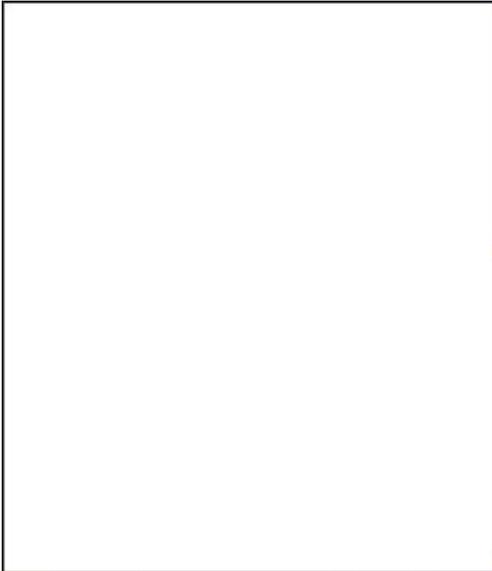
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