Nineteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time August 9, 2020

St. Michael's, Spalding-St. Theresa's, Ericson-Sacred Heart, Greelev

Sunday Scriptures August 16 Isaiah 56: 1, 6-7 Psalm 67:2-3,5,6,8 Romans 11: 13-15,29-32

Matthew 15: 21-28

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

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Today's readings illustrate what amazing things can happen when we fully invite God to take charge of our lives by embracing the stewardship way of life. When we take our eyes off God, we fail to see

that all we have is a gift from Him. We lose trust in the Lord and we do not make our lives a grateful response to Him. Stewardship spirituality invites us to surrender control of our lives to God in grateful recognition of the simple fact that all we have is a gift from Him.

Peter makes this mistake in our Gospel passage from Matthew. Jesus sends the disciples in a boat ahead of Him to the other side of the shore. Later that evening, Jesus casually strolls up to the boat, walking on the sea. He invites Peter to join Him. As Peter begins to walk on the water, he momentarily takes his eyes off Jesus to notice the strong wind surrounding them. With that, he sinks.

What if Peter had not taken his eyes off Christ? What a grand adventure he could have experienced walking on the sea with Jesus! When we take our eyes off Christ, the many blessings He has given us, and the loving way He treats us, we sink, too. When we embrace the stewardship way of life - letting go of a tight hold over our money, time and talents - our lives become a grand adventure, rooted firmly and gratefully in the God Who always cares for us.

Today we are celebrating 65 years of the faithfulness of Christ in the life of a man from Greeley county! He never took his eyes off Christ from the time God called him. Congratulations Fr. James Murphy from the Families in Faith, for your commitment to Christ, ministering to God's people, your faith, your support of Catholic Education and the good example you give us. May your tribe increase.

MASS INTENTIONS							
TUE	08/11	8:30 a.m.	SACRED HEART	† Fr. Don Larmore			
WED	08/12	8:30 a.m.	SACRED HEART	† Jane Casey			
THU	08/13	5:00 p.m.	ST. MICHAEL'S	† Rich Bauer			
FRI	08/14	8:15 a.m.	ST. MICHAEL'S	† Vic Bauer			
SAT	08/15	7:00 p.m.	ST. MICHAEL'S	† Joe (Sr.) & Mary Keber			
SUN	08/16	7:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 11:00a.m.	ST. MICHAEL'S SACRED HEART ST. THERESA'S	† Josephine ValasekPEOPLE OF PARISH† Jim & Dorothy Stromp			

COMMUNION SERVICES

SM at 8:00 a.m.

ST at 8:00 a.m. Thursdays with Rosary to follow.

Catholic Dictionary:

Eminence" is a commonly accepted style of reference to refer to a cardinal.

CONGRATULATIONS FR. MURPHY ON YOUR 65TH ANNIVERSARY OF ORDINATION AND 94TH BIRTHDAY

God bless you today and always Love and prayers From your Families in Faith



Have you looked at our diocesan website lately? There are many great resources to share. Go to:

https://gidiocese.org/

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

SM CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS

will pray the rosary every Wednesday afternoon at 2 p.m. in SM Church. Please join us. It is open to everyone.





August 15

ST MICHAEL'S GOLF TOURNAMENT PROCEEDS: Thank you to all the

organizers, sponsors, helpers and others who donated or helped in any way, and all those who participated in the tournament. The tournament raised \$4,826.05 for St. Michael's. Thank you.



PARISH MEETINGS:

SA School Board: August 13 @ 8pm

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION	WEEKLY	MONTHLY	
St. Michael's	ednesday 2:30-1:30 p.m.	First Friday, 24-hr, beginning at 9:00 a.m.	
Sacred Heart	Due to COVID-19 until further noti when Adoration	Adoration is suspended ce. You will be notified begins again.	
St. Theresa's		Adoration is suspended ce. You will be notified begins again.	

ST. MICHAEL'S

SACRED HEART

ST. THERESA'S

LECTOR

Aug 15: Duane Seamann Aug 16: Ron Glaser

EXTRA-ORDINARY MINISTERS

HOSPITALITY MINISTERS

ALTAR SERVERS

MUSIC MINISTRY

COLLECTION COUNTERS

CDA Rosary Second Sunday of the month at 10:00 a.m.

LECTOR

EXTRA-ORDINARY MINISTERS HOSPITALITY MINISTERS ALTAR SERVERS MUSIC MINISTRY **ROSARY ELEVETTE**

SACRISTAN

Aug 16: Jeanette Walsh

DISINFECTING TEAM

Aug 16: Chuck & Kathy Sweeney

COLLECTION COUNTERS

CARE HOME /HOMEBOUND COMMUNION

LECTOR

EXTRA-ORDINARY MINISTERS

HOSPITALITY MINISTERS

ALTAR SERVERS

CHURCH CLEANING

August: Maggie Smith, Angela Smith,

Paula Heinz

PRAYER CHAIN

Call: Helen Plugge, Sue Patrick

Rosary for Vocations—Sundays 10:30

a.m. prior to Mass.

THE LORD'S PORTION

Envelopes Aug 2 \$2325 ACH/online \$2260 Plate 60 Children's 0 July 1st to date \$16,798

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Aug 2 Envelopes \$1111 ACH/online \$ 210 Plate \$ 20 Children's 0 Total July 1st to date \$ 7516 THE LORD'S PORTION

\$ 600 Aug 2 Envelopes Plate \$ 65 Children's **Total** July 1st to date \$2360

An Act of Spiritual Communion:

Total

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen

GREELEY COUNTY FAIR STAND

S.A.V.E (Spalding Academy Volunteer Efforts) will operate the Fair Lunch Stand during the Greeley County Fair this year, August 10-12, 11am—10pm. Anyone who would like to volunteer their time and

talent of helping in the lunch stand please contact Tammy Diessner @ 308-223-9047 or for more info. Thank you for your support!



CATHOLIC TV MASS for shut-ins. sponsored by Knights of Columbus Councils of Central NE, Sunday mornings at 9:30 a.m. on Channel 4/5, KSNB-TV in Hastings.

WANTED: SA Alumni history books. First edition 1906-1992. If you have an extra one or two please contact the parish office 308-497-2662. Thanks.



SM/St. Anne's

August Church Cleaning: Circle of Hope Side B: prefects Shannon Thome & Elva

Rotation: Trust, Peace, Faith August MEN'S CLUB: Team 4: Jeff Carraher, Boots Seamann

HEALING MASS at Sts. Cyril & Methodius Church, Clarkson NE, Thurs, Aug. 20 @ 7pm. Email your prayer/healing needs to us at thecathchurches@gmail.com. Any questions, call Fr. Rod @ 402-892-3464.



VIP THANK YOU

Thank you to all who helped St. Michael's create the reserved Parking sign on the west side of the church. We appreciate your contributions: John & Carolyn Schroll of Grand Island for creating the metal sign; Molt Mfg. for the metal pole; and Roaches for the cement. Thanks also to Dan & Shirley Glaser, who had the winning bid on the parking sign at the Fall Auction, for their patience while we installed the sign.

SCHOLARSHIP

SA SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS

Full or partial scholarships are available to anyone who would like to attend Spalding Academy and needs assistance with tuition. Those who qualify will receive assistance from these funds as long as they last. For more info or to apply, contact Fr. Antony 497-2662. To contribute to the Scholarship Fund please send your tax-deductible contribution to: Spalding Academy, PO Box 310, Spalding NE 68665

Please remember to pray for all seminarians as they continue to prepare for the holy vocation of the priesthood. "It was not you who chose me, but I who choose you"...John 15:16

CHURCH **ENVELOPE** CONTRIBUTIONS:



Due to COVID-19, you may send in your church contributions to the office weekly or monthly. St. Michael's & St. Theresa's may be sent to PO Box 310, Spalding. Sacred Heart may be sent to PO Box 99, Greeley. Automatic withdrawal (ACH) from your bank account can be set up for St. Michael's, St. Theresa's or Sacred Heart. Contact the parish for details. **NEW:** Give online with WeShare. Go to our parish website: www.families-infaith.com . Go to the home page and click on the link.