

Twenty-Seventh Sunday In Ordinary Time

October 4, 2020

St. Michael's, Spalding—St. Theresa's, Ericson—Sacred Heart, Greeley

Sunday Scriptures

October 11: Isaiah 25:6-10a

Psalm 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6

Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20

Matthew 22:1-14 or 22:1-10

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

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We have been given so many gifts and blessings by our Heavenly Father. Yet, in our fallen state it is all too easy to take them for granted. Our readings today teach us that we must live with an intentional awareness of our many blessings and use them gratefully to glorify God.

In our Gospel passage from Matthew, Jesus uses the image of a vineyard to teach the importance of using our blessings well. He tells the story of a landowner who plants a vineyard and leases it to tenants before he goes on a journey. Instead of tending the vineyard, the tenants mistreat the servants in the vineyard and even the son of the landowner, whom they kill. When the landowner realizes what the tenants have done, he puts them to death and leases his vineyard to tenants who "will give him the produce at the proper times."

By Baptism, we have received the gift of salvation and membership in Kingdom of God - we are now "tenants" called to work in the "vineyard" and produce fruit for its owner, our Heavenly Father. Jesus makes it clear that if we squander the gift of salvation, we will lose it. It is a sobering truth.

Our Annual Stewardship Renewal is a time of grace and a reminder of this truth, how best a tenant each one of us can be and by putting our lives in order, within the demands of our creator. May the Lord help us to do this through the intercession of our Blessed Mother whom we honor this month through our devotion to the rosary. *Fr. Antony*

MASS INTENTIONS

TUE	10/06	8:30 a.m.	SACRED HEART	† Ann Nowak
WED	10/07	10:00a.m.	CARE HOME	† Fr. Ted Nekoliczak
THU	10/08	5:00 p.m.	ST. MICHAEL'S	† Dick Herrera
FRI	10/09	8:15 a.m.	ST. MICHAEL'S	Sharon (Wibbels) McDaniel
SAT	10/10	7:00 p.m.	ST. MICHAEL'S	† Pauline Haggerty
SUN	10/11	7:00 a.m.	ST. MICHAEL'S	† Eleanor Buhrman
		9:00 a.m.	SACRED HEART	PEOPLE OF PARISH
		11:00a.m.	ST. THERESA'S	† Ed & Julia Nesladek

COMMUNION SERVICES

SM at 8:00 a.m.

SH at 9:00 a.m. weekdays when a Mass is not scheduled.

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

Catholic Dictionary

crypt: (n.) an underground room or vault beneath a church, used as a chapel or burial place.

REST IN PEACE Our condolences and prayers to the family of Deacon Robert Puhalla of the Cathedral Parish who passed away Sept 29 due to Covid. Please keep them in your prayers.



Live the *Life* Gospel of
RESPECT LIFE MONTH

Stewardship Renewal Begins Today

This week, we kick off our parish Stewardship Renewal. Soon you will receive a package of beautiful materials in the mail. They explain what stewardship means at Families in Faith. Over the next few weeks, please pray about your role in our parish. On October 17/18, each parish family is asked to return their completed commitment card.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC or learning more about the Catholic faith? Do you know someone who might be interested? Please contact Fr. Antony, Patty Harris or Deb Eschliman. We anticipate to begin this Sunday Oct. 4th, at 6pm in the DC.

SM-LIVING ROSARY next Sunday, Oct. 11 @ 4pm @ St. Michael's Church. Come join the SA students.

OCTOBER is dedicated as the Month of the Rosary. We celebrate the memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary, Wednesday, October 7.



LEADERSHIP GATHERING for Families in Faith Stewardship Renewal in SH church basement Tuesday, Oct. 13, 7pm.

PARISH MEETINGS

SM/ST K of C: Tues, Oct 6, 8 p.m. in CB
SCHOOL BOARD: Mon., Oct 12, 8pm
SM CDA: Thurs., Oct 15 @ 7 p.m. at D.C.
FINANCE COUNCIL: Thurs. Oct 15, 7pm



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION	WEEKLY	MONTHLY
St. Michael's	Wednesday 12:30-1:30 p.m.	First Friday, Oct. 2 , 24-hr , beginning at 9:00 a.m.
Sacred Heart	Due to COVID-19 Adoration is suspended until further notice. You will be notified when Adoration begins again.	
St. Theresa's	Due to COVID-19 Adoration is suspended until further notice. You will be notified when Adoration begins again.	

ST. MICHAEL'S	SACRED HEART	ST. THERESA'S
LECTOR Oct. 10: Savannah Short Oct. 11: Therese Cockerill EXTRA-ORDINARY MINISTERS HOSPITALITY MINISTERS ALTAR SERVERS MUSIC MINISTRY COLLECTION COUNTERS Oct. 11: Denny Bauer CDA Rosary Second Sunday of the month at 10:00 a.m. October 11	LECTOR EXTRA-ORDINARY MINISTERS HOSPITALITY MINISTERS ALTAR SERVERS MUSIC MINISTRY ROSARY ELEVETTE SACRISTAN Oct. 11: Mary Ann McQuillan DISINFECTING TEAM Oct. 11: Louie Bauer & Tom Donovan COLLECTION COUNTERS CARE HOME /HOMEBOUND COMMUNION	LECTOR EXTRA-ORDINARY MINISTERS HOSPITALITY MINISTERS ALTAR SERVERS CHURCH CLEANING October: Sherry Smith, Sandy Miller, Ranotta Nordhues PRAYER CHAIN Call: Helen Plugge, Sue Patrick Rosary for Vocations—Sundays 10:30 a.m. prior to Mass.
THE LORD'S PORTION Sept 27 Envelopes \$ 1,975 ACH/online \$ 25 Plate \$ 68 Children's \$ 0 Total July 1st to date \$ 41,327	THE LORD'S PORTION Sept 27 Envelopes \$ 1,733 ACH/online \$ 15 Plate \$ 646 Children's \$ 0 Total July 1st to date \$22,974	THE LORD'S PORTION Sept 20 & 27 Envelopes \$ 1,055 Plate \$ 110 Children's \$ 0 Total July 1st to date \$11,696

ST. THERESA'S BIBLE TIMELINE
 Classes resumed October 1st. It is NOT to late to join us. Call Julie @ 402-340-3915.

SM—MEN'S PRAYER GROUP will resume Tuesday, October 6, 6:30 a.m. in the Dominican Center. Please join us.

PUBLIC SQUARE ROSARY RALLY

We invite our Families of Faith to join in a Rosary Rally & prayer for our nation on Sat., Oct. 10th at 12:00 noon. This year, due to Covid, we will pray from our homes. Join us in offering reparation for the sins and offenses committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary and to fervently pray for the conversion of the U.S.

Fr. Tom Ryan is out of intensive care at St. Francis Hospital. Please pray for him.



SH Knights of Columbus Council #1312 & SM/ST Knights of Columbus Council # 13584 Tootsie Roll Sunday is October 11th. Tootsie roll donations are used 100% to benefit people with intellectual disabilities. If you are unable to attend Mass and would like to get some tootsie rolls please call Chuck Sweeney 308-223-0145 or John Smyth in Greeley 308-223-0184; Jeremiah Seamann 308-223-0052 or Bill Spelic 515-829-2054 in Spalding.



THE MEMORARE: Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to your protection, implored your help, or sought your intercession was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto you, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother. To you I come; before you I stand sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate! Despise not my petitions, but in your mercy hear and answer me. Amen

HOLY LAND artisans will have their religious handcrafted olive wood gift items displayed for sale this weekend, October 3 & 4, at all three parishes. Come check out their beautiful works of art.

SM/St. Anne's
Oct. Church Cleaning: Circle of Joy
Side B : prefect Janelle Pritchard, Wendy Carlin
Rotation: Trust, Peace, Faith
Oct. MEN'S CLUB: Team 6 : Ed Bauer, Troy Kleffner

	SA HAPPENINGS
Mon Oct. 5	No School; 4:00 JH VB @ NE Christian; 6:00pm Education Quest Financial Aid Mtg
Tues Oct. 6	5:30, 7:30 VB Triangular @ Home, Parents Night
Wed Oct. 7	Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary; 2:00 JH VB@Elgin
Thur Oct. 8	5:00 JH FB @ Santee, 7:00 Varsity FB @ Santee; 6:30, 7:30 VB Triangular @ Central Valley (Greeley)
Fri Oct. 9	8:15 All School Mass; 5:30 VB @ Home vs Santee
Sat Oct. 10	9:00 JH VB Tourn@ Riverside (Cedar); 10:00 (V)VB Tourn@ Merna

Let us pray for seminarians, that they may listen to the voice of the Lord and follow it with courage and joy ...Pope Francis



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.

