

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time September 3, 2023

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

SUNDAY SCRIPTURES
September 10: Ezekiel 33:7-9
Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9
Romans 13:8-10
Matthew 18:15-20

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Crossroad to Life and Liberation

Friends of Families in Faith,

After Peter's glorious declaration about Jesus' Divine-Identity in last Sunday's gospel, he harbored dreams that Jesus, Son of the living God, would overthrow Roman rule from Palestine. Not only was Jesus disinterested in fulfilling these false hopes, but he preached about death as the crossroad to life.

Peter's resistance to the crossroad was understandable. Most of his contemporaries expected Jesus, as Messiah, to seek power and not suffer pain, to be crowned and not crucified. Thus, Peter told Jesus to reconsider his decision and reorient his direction. For Jesus, Peter, the foundation-rock became a stumbling-block. His "Get behind me, Satan!" rebuke could be interpreted as Jesus reminding Peter that discipleship entailed following the Master 'from behind'. 'Satan' is reminiscent of the tempter who tempts Jesus to seek power and glory. Peter's anti-Calvary stance was anti-Christ as well. So, Jesus told Peter, "**You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do**".

Human-way is self-seeking, God's way is self-sacrificing; Human way seeks to be loved and served, God's way seeks to love and serve. Thus, 'human way of thinking' brings doom and death, but God's way leads to life and liberation. Dear friends, God's way is a challenge. Nevertheless, we shall embrace God's way and experience true life and true liberation. "**What profit would there be for us to gain the whole world and forfeit our life?**"

Fr. Lawrence

MASS INTENTIONS

SAT	09/02	7:00 p.m.	ST. MICHAEL'S	†	Jim Reilly
SUN	09/03	7:00 a.m.	ST. MICHAEL'S	†	Harry & Patricia Cockerill & Deceased Family Members
		9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	SACRED HEART ST THERESA'S		PEOPLE OF PARISH Jodi & Dean Smith
TUE	09/05	9:00 a.m.	SACRED HEART	†	Tom Harvey
WED	09/06	10:00 a.m.	ASSISTED LIVING		Janet Heinz
THU	09/07	5:00 p.m.	ST. CATHARINE'S	†	Budge, Marie & Bill Naughtin
FRI	09/08	8:15 a.m.	ST. CATHARINE'S	†	Shane Thome School Mass PK-4
SAT	09/09	7:00 p.m.	ST. MICHAEL'S	†	Gerry Socha
SUN	09/10	7:00 a.m.	ST. MICHAEL'S		PEOPLE OF PARISH
		9:00 a.m.	SACRED HEART	†	Pat Scott
		11:00 a.m.	ST THERESA'S	†	Barb Anderson

COMMUNION SERVICES

SM at 8:00 a.m.
SH at 9:00 a.m.

Holy Father's Prayer Intention of the Month: For people living on the margins. We pray for those persons living on the margins of society, in inhumane life conditions; may they not be overlooked by institutions and never considered of lesser importance.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Tuesdays, 12:00 noon. Please email information to both SM and SH. Email addresses on front of bulletin.

WE WELCOME INTO THE CATHOLIC CHRISTIAN FAITH,

Wraylee JoAnn Lammers, daughter of Jesse & Kayla Lammers, baptized August 27 at Sacred Heart.



What has passed our lips as food, O Lord, may we possess in purity of heart, that what has been given to us in time may be our healing for eternity.

Greeley Irish Festival, Saturday, Sept 16th.



SH—There will be a meeting for all RE teachers, volunteers and any parents this Wednesday, September 6th at 6:30 p.m. in church basement in Spalding. The topic is virtue! Please plan to attend!

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC or learning more about our Catholic church? Are you curious what is involved in becoming a Catholic? Maybe you know someone who has expressed an interest in our Catholic Faith? We extend an invitation to come and see.

Please contact Fr. Lawrence, Patty Harris 308-380-0402 or call the Parish Office 497-2662.



HAITI: The Haiti school year typically starts in October. Once again, we will be sponsoring students for school meals at our Twinning Parish in Haiti. If you want to be a sponsor for the '23-'24 year, please make check payable to Haiti School Lunch Project, \$200 per child, and mail to St. Michael's, Attn: Tammy, PO Box 310, Spalding NE, 68665. We would appreciate donations by Sept 15th. Thank you!

PARISH MEETINGS

SM/ST KofC: Tuesday, Sept 5, 8pm
Finance Council: Thursday, Sept 7, 7pm
ST Altar Society: Sunday, Sept 10 after Mass
School Board: Monday, Sept 11, 8pm
SH Pastoral Council: Wed. Sept 13, 8pm
SM Pastoral Council: Thurs. Sept 14, 7pm

PLEASE NOTE:
New hours for SM, effective Sept 7th

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION	WEEKLY	MONTHLY
St. Michael's (Dominican Center)	Thursdays 6 p.m.—9 p.m.	First Fridays, 24hr, 9 a.m. All other Fridays effect. Sept 8th, 9 a.m.- 3 p.m.
Sacred Heart Chapel		First Tuesday, Sept 5 , 24 hr, 9:00 a.m.
St. Theresa's		Last Sunday of month for Vocations, 10 a.m.

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<p>LECTOR Sept 9: Don Pritchard Sept 10: Dalton Rankin</p> <p>EMHC Sept 9: Ed & Mandy McCarthy, Jerry Glaser, Joe Seamann Sept 10: Holly Carraher, Stacey Bauer</p> <p>HOSPITALITY MINISTERS Sept 9: Dean Seamann, Cheryl Ray, Jerry & Marlynn Scheef Sept 10: Sharon Bauer, Dan & Vicky Bauer, Dan Mailander</p> <p>ALTAR SERVERS Sept 9: Adam Glaser, Alexa & Brielle Hall Sept 10: Drew & Brady Carraher, Camryn Carraher</p> <p>MUSIC MINISTRY Sept 9: Dan Walsh Sept 10: Philip</p> <p>SM CDA Rosary, Thursdays, before Mass, 4:30 in the chapel.</p> 	<p>LECTOR Sept 10: DW Holley</p> <p>EMHC Sept 10: Lexi Johnson, Tom Nekoliczak</p> <p>HOSPITALITY MINISTERS Sept 10: Shawn O'Connor family</p> <p>ALTAR SERVERS Sept 10: Kendra Cargill, Ky Cargill, Kain Wood</p> <p>MUSIC MINISTRY</p> <p>ROSARY Sept 10: Mick Foster</p> <p>SACRISTAN Sept 10: Mary Ann McQuillan</p> <p>COLLECTION COUNTERS Sept 10: Rhonni & DW</p> <p>ASSISTED LIVING Sept 10: Vicki Goodrich</p>	<p>LECTOR Sept 10: Audrey Miller</p> <p>EMHC Sept 10: Sandy Miller, Julie Landgren</p> <p>HOSPITALITY MINISTERS Sept 10: Youth</p> <p>CHURCH CLEANING September: Jean Nordhues, Jerilee Wright, Jennifer Wright</p> <p>PRAYER CHAIN Call: Helen Plugge, Sue Patrick</p> <p>ROSARY For Vocations—Sundays 10:00 a.m. prior to Mass.</p> <p>Thursday morning Communion Service 9:00 a.m. followed by Rosary and Adoration.</p> 																																										
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CEC Fall Retreat: Kindle the 4th Day Fire!
Saturday Sept. 16 at 9:00am 325 N Church St., Elm Creek. All are welcome!



Polish Festival – September 10th, 2023, St. Francis Parish Hall in Ashton, NE. Polish mass at 10:30 at the church with Myron Ostentowski. Serving polish buffet from 11:00am to 1:30pm of roast pork, polish meatballs, polish sausages, sauerkraut and dumplings, potatoes and gravy, green beans, pierogi, chicken noodle, czarnina and sauerkraut and sausage soup followed with desserts and drinks. Cost is \$12 for adults, children under 12 half price and under 5 years old are free. Guest speaker is Ron Sack and dance to the music of the Murkowski Band. There will be a country store, raffles, and silent auction. The Polish Heritage Museum will be open also until 4:00pm. Please join us.

SAVE THE DATE
St. Michael's Fall Auction will be Sunday November 5, 2023

KC PANCAKE FEED September 10, Parish Center in Spalding, Ne, serving from 7:30 a.m. to 9 a.m. free will donation, proceeds for KC Catholic Mass on TV.

	SA HAPPENINGS
Mon Sept 4	No School
Tue Sept 5	3:00 JH, 4:00 HS Riverside Cross Country Centura at Cairo Golf Course; 4:00 Riverside JH VB, 5:00 Riverside JH FB at CWC; 5:30 Riverside VB TRI at Heartland Lutheran; Spirit Week
Wed Sept 6	Blood mobile hosted by SA seniors; Spirit Week
Thur. Sept 7	Spirit Week
Fri. Sept 8	8:15 PK-4 School Mass in Chapel (3); Time TBA Homecoming Parade; 2:00 All School Early Dismissal; 3:00 Riverside HS FB vs North Central at Spalding; Time TBA Homecoming Coronation & Dance
Sat. Sept 9	Feast of St. Peter Claver; 10:00 Osceola HS VB Tournament

Young adults, Theology on Tap begins again Sunday, September 10th at Kinkaiders in Grand Island. Social time begins at 6:30 PM. Jeff Schinstock, from the Diocese of Lincoln will be our first speaker for our fall series. All young adults 19-39 are welcome. Please contact the Diocesan Youth Office for more information.

SM/St. Anne
September: Church Cleaning: Circle of Faith
Side A: Monica Carraher-Prefect
Rotation: Peace, Faith, Hope
September: Men's Club Team #1: Brian McManaman & LJ Roach

LUCKY DAY CALENDAR LOTTERY WINNER
Our Sunday, September 3rd winner of \$250 is Yvonne Esch of Spalding. Congratulations!

