

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

May 18: Acts Apostles 14:21-27
Psalm 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13
Revelation 21:1-5a
John 13:31-33a, 34-35

Fourth Sunday in Easter - Jesus, the Good Shepherd
Dear people of God,

The fourth Sunday of Easter is traditionally known as Good Shepherd Sunday, reflecting the image of Jesus, tenderly carrying a sheep on His shoulders. This depiction highlights His compassion and care. Jesus says, **“My sheep hear my voice, and I know them and they follow me...and I give them eternal life.”**

To experience Jesus as our Good Shepherd, we need to be mindful of three things. **First**, we must hear His voice. Just as a shepherd leads by voice and the sheep trust and follow, we too must remain close to Jesus to discern His voice amidst the noise of the world. **Second**, a personal relationship with Him enables Him to know us intimately. The Risen Christ knows each of us personally. As our late Pope Francis said, "Jesus knows our strengths and our defects, and is always ready to care for us, to heal the wounds of our errors with the abundance of His grace. This is why He is the Good Shepherd – He is concerned about His sheep, healing their wounds and ailments." **Third**, following the Shepherd involves not just listening to His voice but also aligning our actions with His will. As Jesus said in the sermon on the Mount, it is not enough to merely speak; we must do the will of the Father. Recognizing the voice of our divine Shepherd calls us to respond to His loving call and follow Him closely.

When faced with challenges, Jesus the Good shepherd reassures us of His presence and support. The poem "Foot Prints in the Sand" beautifully illustrates this: When you see only one set of footprints, it was then that I carried you." As witnesses of Jesus' self-sacrificing love, we are called to proclaim His love by our witness. Trusting in Him, the followers have no reason to fear, for He will wipe away every tear from their eyes.

Yours in Christ, Fr. Lawrence

MASS INTENTIONS				
SAT	05/10	5:00 p.m.	ST. MICHAEL'S	† Virginia (Pfeifer) Worden
SUN	05/11	7:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	ST MICHAEL'S SACRED HEART ST. THERESA'S	† Frances (Sullivan) Kovarik † Mary Haschke PEOPLE OF PARISH
MON	05/12	9:00 a.m.	SACRED HEART	Communion Service
TUE	05/13	9:00 a.m.	SACRED HEART	Communion Service
WED	05/14	5:30 p.m.	SACRED HEART	† Mary Kusek
THU	05/15	5:00 p.m.	ST. CATHARINE'S	† Mark & Agatha McManaman
FRI	05/16	7:00 p.m.	ST. MICHAEL'S	† Bud Keber
SAT	05/17	5:00 p.m.	ST. MICHAEL'S	† Pete & Dorothy Ann Nordhues
SUN	05/18	7:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	ST. MICHAEL'S SACRED HEART ST. THERESA'S	† Harry & Patricia Cockerill & Deceased Family Members PEOPLE OF PARISH † Rich & Eileen Bauer

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

conditions. Let us pray that through work, each person might find fulfilment, families might be sustained in dignity, and that society might be humanized.

Please email information to both SM and SH. Email addresses on front of bulletin.



REST IN PEACE Our condolences and prayers to the family of Sr. Joan Miriam Glaser O.P., a native of Spalding, who died April 28, at St. Catharine, Kentucky. She was a Dominican Sister of Peace for 76 years. May she rest in peace.




St. Michael's: Nicholas Berger, Austin Bialas, Thomas Bloom, Drew Carraher, Trevor Carraher, Paula Munoz Tain, Jack Molt, Jordan Patzel, Justin Ray, Brock Schmeits, Ashley Weltruski.
Sacred Heart: Jennavieve Baker, Canon Holley, Grady Kelly, Taesian Soto, Cordel Wagner, Zaden Wolf, Boston Wood
St. Theresa's: Elijah Heinz, Drue McKay

School Board: Monday, May 12, 8pm
SH Pastoral: Wednesday, May 14, 8pm
SM Pastoral: Thursday, May 15, 7pm

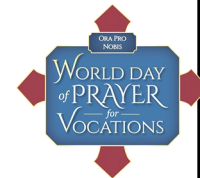



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION	WEEKLY	MONTHLY
St. Michael's Church	Thursday 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.	First Friday, 24 hr., 9:00 a.m. All other Fridays 9:00 a.m. —3:00 p.m.
Sacred Heart Chapel		First Tuesday, 24 hr., 9:00 a.m.
St. Theresa's		Last Sunday of month for Vocations, 10:30 a.m.

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<p>LECTOR May 17: Sharon Seamann May 18: Ed McCarthy</p> <p>EMHC May 17: Dean & Carol Seamann, Duane Seamann, Joe Seamann May 18: Jeff & Janelle Pritchard</p> <p>HOSPITALITY MINISTERS May 17: Maureen Seamann, Aprill Murphy, Tom & Vickie Connelly May 18: Marilyn Leslie, Sharon Bauer, Dan & Vicky Bauer</p> <p>ALTAR SERVERS May 17: Stetson McManaman; Autumn & Deacon Murphy May 18: Brooklyn, Belle & Brynlee Weltruski</p> <p>MUSIC MINISTRY May 17: Kelly & Jemela May 18: Kelly & Jemela</p> <div style="border: 1px dashed black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> SM CDA Rosary, Thursdays, before Mass, 4:30 in the chapel. </div> 	<p>LECTOR May 18: D W Holley</p> <p>EMHC May 18: Rachele Nekoliczak, Tom Donovan</p> <p>HOSPITALITY MINISTERS May 18: Shawn O'Connor family</p> <p>ALTAR SERVERS May 18: Kain Wood, Collins Holley, Suttyn Smith</p> <p>MUSIC MINISTRY May 18: Youth Choir</p> <p>ROSARY May 18: Jeanette Walsh</p> <p>SACRISTAN May 18: Jeanette Walsh</p> <p>COLLECTION COUNTERS May 18: Pat & Shelly</p>	<p>LECTOR May 18: Pauline Marker</p> <p>EMHC May 18: Jean Nordhues, Shelby Kasselder</p> <p>HOSPITALITY MINISTERS May 18: Youth</p> <p>MUSIC MINISTRY May 18: Matt & Linda</p> <p>CHURCH CLEANING May: Lori King, Judy Mahony, Judy Schmit</p> <p>PRAYER CHAIN Call: Helen Plugge, Sue Patrick</p> <p>ROSARY For Vocations—Sundays 10:30 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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“The disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit.” (ACTS 13:52)

Today the Church throughout the world prays for Vocations. Will you make a special effort to ask the Lord for vocations to the priesthood and religious life? Pray for the priests who have ministered to you throughout your life, both living and dead. Encourage your children, grandchildren, or other young people to consider a vocation as a priest or religious brother or sister. Pray a rosary for more young men and women in our diocese to respond to God's call.



	SA HAPPENINGS
Mon May 12	10:00 Kindergarten Graduation; 1:00pm Golf triangular @ Burwell; 1:30 Health Rocks Program Gr.3 & 4
Tue May 13	Our Lady of Fatima; 10:00 HS Charger Golf at Fullerton (Pawnee Hills)
Wed May 14	Feast of St Matthias; Activity Day-No Classes; HS District Track at Osceola
Thu May 15	Charger Sports Awards Night 7pm
Fri May 16	7:00 pm 8th Grade Graduation
Sat May 17	11:00 JH State Track Meet at Gothenburg

CHURCH ENVELOPE CONTRIBUTIONS may be sent 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 SM, ST, or SH. Contact the parish for details. To donate thru WeShare go to: families-infaith.com and click on WeShare.



can be displayed one week before Memorial Day and picked up within two weeks after Memorial Day.

Vacation Bible School will be held June 9th-11th mornings at St. Theresa's in Ericson. Volunteers are needed! Contact Sandy Miller if interested, 402-417-5004.



Our Sunday, May 11th winner of \$200 is Ed & Grace Glesinger of Spalding. Congratulations!



Fourth Sunday of Easter May 11, 2025

SM -St. Michael's Saturday evening vigil Masses will remain at 5pm until further notice.

Please note: No Mass Saturday evening at St. Michael's May 24th-Alumni weekend this year. Bishop Emeritus Dendinger will celebrate Mass on Sunday, 11am at St. Michael's. (No 7am Mass). Let's all join together and show our support & appreciation for 'Bishop D' Alumni weekend.

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KOLACHE CLASS

Learn how to make Kolaches at home. The *Polish Heritage Center, Inc. in Ashton, NE.* is sponsoring a Kolache making demonstration on Saturday, **May 17th** at **10:00am**. The demonstration will be held at the St. Francis Hall in Ashton, NE. The class is free, and a light lunch will be provided. Please call (308) 379-1373 to register.

Save the date:

St. Michael's Annual Golf Tournament will be held June 21-22 weekend.



Catholic Daughters Court #2099 Our Lady of Spalding

is selling raffle tickets for a beautiful quilt. It is 92" x 105", made by Luella Keber & Joyce Cote. Raffles are 1 for \$10 or 6 for \$50. Drawing will be held the end of May. Need tickets? Please contact Sharon Seamann, Maureen Seamann, Kitty Carlin, Sharon Roach or any Catholic Daughter.



Pro-Life & Pie

June 8, 2025 – Lochland Country Club

601 W Lochland Road, Hastings

Doors open 1:30 pm | Program starts 2:00 pm

RSVP Required – Tickets are \$20/person

Clergy & 18 and younger are free with RSVP notice.

Purchase Your Tickets: (Deadline to register 6/3)

* **By Mail:** SCNRTL, PO Box 391, Hastings, NE 68902

* **By Email:** info@SCNRTL.org and pay at the door

* **By Phone:** Call 402-461-1934 and pay at the door



Our speaker is **Cori Mooberry**. Her dedication to the pro-life cause deepened through personal tragedy with the loss of her son, Abel Mooberry, a heartache that has transformed her into action. Her witness highlights the profound impact of choosing life.

Come hear her story!

A big thank you to all in the SH Parish who donated to the Tootsie Roll fund for the intellectually challenged a couple months ago. Because of your donations, our council received an award. We increased our donations by 125% from last year. February Knights of the month were Pat Donovan and his breakfast crew. March and April Knights of the month were Mike McQuillan, Tim Goodrich, Chuck Sweeney, Mike Wood, Dick Zahm and the rest of the Knights of Columbus #1312 who put in the extra effort to make our Lenten fish fries so successful.

It is an exciting time in our diocese

with the upcoming priestly ordination of James M. Beran, June 6, 2025 and the ordination of nine new permanent deacons, Friday, May 30th.

Thanks be to God.

Please keep each of them in your prayers.

*Our Lady of Fatima
pray for us.*

