

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 31, 2025

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

SUNDAY SCRIPTURES

Sept 7: Wisdom 9:13-18b
Psalm 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14, 17
Philemon 9-10, 12-17
Luke 14:25-33

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear people of God,

This Sunday's Gospel passage presents a rich tapestry of theological themes centered around humility, and hospitality. Jesus is dining at the house of a Pharisee. This sets the stage for Jesus to challenge traditional notions of social status, honor and religious observance. Jesus observes how guests at the table look for places of honor, and he adequately made use of this situation to teach about humility. He advises choosing the lowest place at the table so that when the host notices and invites you to a higher place, you will be honored in front of everyone. This teaching subverts the world's hierarchy of status and honors, emphasizing the value of humility and self-effacement.

“Humility is not thinking less of yourself, it is thinking of yourself less.” (C.S. Lewis)

This passage calls us to reflect upon our own lifestyles and attitudes with regard to Humility and Exaltation. Jesus teaches that the true honor comes, not from seeking recognition and status for oneself, but from humbly serving others and allowing God to exalt us in due time. It challenges our cultural and personal obsession with self-promotion and encourages a spirit of humility and service. The parable highlights the importance of radical hospitality, especially towards those who are marginalized or overlooked by society. It calls us to extend love and welcome everyone to our space and time, sharing the resources. It challenges us to reevaluate our priorities and live in accordance with our values of love, compassion, and inclusivity that characterize the reign God.

Yours in Christ, Fr. Lawrence

MASS INTENTIONS				
SAT	08/30	5:00 p.m.	ST. MICHAEL'S	† Pete (†) & Kitty Carlin
SUN	08/31	7:00 a.m.	ST. MICHAEL'S	PEOPLE OF PARISH
		9:00 a.m.	SACRED HEART	† Keith Callahan
		11:00 a.m.	ST. THERESA'S	† Clara Smith
MON	09/01		SACRED HEART	No Communion Service
TUE	09/02	9:00 a.m.	SACRED HEART	† Maryjo Harrahill
WED	09/03	9:00 a.m.	SACRED HEART	† Dick Ackman
THU	09/04	5:00 p.m.	ST. CATHARINE'S	† Janet Klein
FRI	09/05	8:15 a.m.	ST. MICHAEL'S	† Harry & Patricia Cockerill & Deceased family members
SAT	09/06	5:00 p.m.	ST. MICHAEL'S	Richard & (†)Aggie Hinkle
SUN	09/07	7:00 a.m.	ST. MICHAEL'S	† Mary Zwiener
		9:00 a.m.	SACRED HEART	† Bill Nowak
		11:00a.m.	ST. THERESA'S	PEOPLE OF PARISH

Celebrate the Canonizations!

Blessed Carlo Acutis and Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati will be among those canonized on September 7, 2025. These two young Italian laymen will be the first saints canonized by Pope Leo XIV.



PARISH MEETINGS
SM/ST K of C: Monday
September 1st, 8pm

Church office
closed on
Monday, 9-1-25
(Labor Day).

REMINDER
SM Confirmation Classes
begin Sept 3rd, 7pm
in the Church basement.

SM—New Ministry Schedules available at entrance of church.	
EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION	MONTHLY
St. Michael's Church	First Friday, Sept 5 , 24hr, 9:00 a.m. All other Fridays 9:00 a.m. —6:00 p.m.
Sacred Heart Chapel	First Tuesday, Sept 2 , 24hr., 9:00 a.m.
St. Theresa's	Last Sunday of month for Vocations, 10:30 a.m.

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

Holy Father's Prayer
Intention of the Month:
For our relationship with all
of creation. Let us pray that,
inspired by Saint Francis, we
might experience our
interdependence with all
creatures who are loved by
God and worthy of love and
respect.

Bulletin Deadline
Tuesday 12:00 noon.
Please email information to
both SM and SH. Email
addresses on front of bulletin.

ST. MICHAEL'S	SACRED HEART	ST. THERESA'S
LECTOR Sept 6: Faith Heinz Sept 7: Therese Cockerill	LECTOR Sept 7: Tom Nekoliczak	LECTOR Sept 7: Joyce Bos
EMHC Sept 6: Ed & Mandy McCarthy, Savannah Short, Sandy Miller, Amy McKay Sept 7: Jean Herrera, Joe Seamann, Jeremiah & Kara Seamann	EMHC Sept 7: Shawn O'Connor, Teresa Kehler	EMHC Sept 7: Julie Landgren, Lori King
HOSPITALITY MINISTERS Sept 6: Mary Crome, Alexa Hall, Michelle Esch, Wyatt Tucker Sept 7: Bob & Micki Carlin, Marilyn Leslie, Sarah Seamann	HOSPITALITY MINISTERS Sept 7: Tony Wood family	HOSPITALITY MINISTERS Sept 7: John & Judy Schmit
ALTAR SERVERS Sept 6: Landon Carraher, Nolan Carraher, Camryn Carraher Sept 7: Haden Bernt, Brady Carraher, Destin Keber	ALTAR SERVERS Sept 7: Taylor McIntyre, Charlie Ryan, Collins Holley	MUSIC MINISTRY Sept 7: Matt & Linda
MUSIC MINISTRY Sept 6 & 7th Matt & Linda, Jemela SM CDA Rosary, Thursdays, before Mass, 4:30 in the chapel.	MUSIC MINISTRY Sept 7: Men's Choir	CHURCH CLEANING Sept: Jean Nordhues, Jerilee Wright, Jennifer Wright, MaKayla Reiter
	ROSARY Sept 7: Mick Foster	PRAYER CHAIN Call: Helen Plugge, Sue Patrick
	SACRISTAN Sept 7: Mary Ann McQuillan	ROSARY For Vocations—Sundays 10:30 a.m. prior to Mass
	COLLECTION COUNTERS Sept 7: Denny & Donna	Thursday morning Communion Service 9:00 a.m. followed by Rosary and Adoration.
THE LORD'S PORTION August 24 Envelopes \$ 1,840 ACH/online \$ 1,460 Plate \$ 676 Weekly total \$ 3,976 Total July 1st to date \$ 37,911	THE LORD'S PORTION August 24 Envelopes \$ 2,061 ACH/online \$ 0 Plate \$ 620 Weekly total \$ Total July 1 to date \$19,865	THE LORD'S PORTION August 24 Envelopes \$ 1,445 Plate \$ 245 Weekly total \$ 1,690 Total July 1st to date \$11,193

“Rather, when you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you.” LUKE 14:13-14

Irish Festival is
Sept. 20th
in
Greeley.

Please keep our Seminarians in your prayer intentions as they return to their studies: Deacon Elect Noah Huddleston, Kaelob Marx, Jacob Masker, David Hauk, & Ronaldo Caballero. Lord, we thank them for their call to the Priesthood as they boldly follow you with courage and joy.

COMING...
Our Blessed Mother's Birthday is September 8th. The weekly school Mass will be held on Monday, Sept. 8th in the Grotto, weather permitting. Please join us for this special Mass & celebration.

Prayers for Annunciation
Catholic School/Parish in Minnesota ~ Please join us in prayer for the souls of the departed, for healing of the injured, and for consolation of the families affected.

SM/St. Anne
September Church Cleaning: Joy A
Prefect: Theresa Hitchler; Rotation: Faith, Hope, Joy
September Men's Club Team #9: Brian McManaman, LJ Roach

LUCKY DAY CALENDAR LOTTERY
WINNER Our Sunday, August 31st winner of \$200 is Shelly Houtby. Congratulations!

	SA HAPPENINGS
Mon Sep 1	Labor Day-No School
Tue Sep 2	Feast of St. Ingrid of Sweden; 5:00 HS Charger JV/V VB TRI at CR
Wed Sep 3	
Thu Sep 4	6:30 HS Charger VB TRI at Central Valley
Fri Sep 5	Feast of St. Teresa of Calcutta; 8:15 All School Mass (8); 10:00 JH & HS Charger XC at Boone Central/ (Albion Country Club); 7:00 HS Charger FB vs Twin Loup at Sargent
Sat Sep 6	5:00 Mass at St. Michael's Church; 6:00 SA Booster Meal and Kick-Off