Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time October 26, 2025

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

SUNDAY SCRIPTURES

Nov 2: Wisdom 3:1-9 Psalm 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 Romans 6:3-9 John 6:37-40

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Humble Praver Pierces Heaven

Dear sisters and brothers in Christ,

As Jesus experienced and taught his disciples, prayer is a personal conversation with the loving Father. Did the Pharisee in today's Gospel, have a personal, intimate conversation? No. He was praying to himself. He refers to himself in first person five times in just two verses. He does not intend to have a personal conversation with God. Instead, he is just reminding God of all that he has done. He demands justice from God as his rightful due. He obtains approval of himself and his goodness by comparing himself with the tax collector.

On the other hand, the tax collector puts God as the subject and himself as a passive figure. He is conscious of his unworthiness and emptiness, and remains remorseful of who he has been and what he has become. He orients himself toward God. That is why he goes home justified.

The Gospel points out that the Pharisee essentially has two problems: he is dominated by self-righteousness and he despises the other. He takes the position of God to judge the other as sinful. Jesus, in the Gospel of Luke, has most often used such paradigms to amplify his message: the Good Samaritan, Lazarus, Zacchaeus and the Tax collector. Such people stand justified before God. Humility before God and confidence in His mercy find favor before God. We are not worthy to demand justice from God, comparing ourselves with others, but can only seek God's mercy made available in the sacrifice of Jesus.

Fr. Lawrence

MASS INTENTIONS							
SAT	10/25	5:00 p.m.	ST. MICHAEL'S † Francis Berger				
SUN	10/26	7:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	ST. MICHAEL'S † Ralph 'Bud' Brown SACRED HEART PEOPLE OF PARISH ST. THERESA'S † Mary Kusek				
MON	10/27	5:30 p.m.	SACRED HEART † John, Susi, Iver Happ				
TUE	10/28	9:00 a.m.	SACRED HEART † Jerry & Aggie Smith				
WED	10/29	9:00 a.m.	SACRED HEART Communion Service				
THU	10/30	5:00 p.m.	ST. CATHARINE'S † Barbara Kaiser				
FRI	10/31	8:15 a.m.	ST. MICHAEL'S † BJ & Jean Meyer (school mass)				
SAT	11/01	5:00 p.m.	ST. MICHAEL'S Ed & Grace Glesinger				
SUN	11/02	7:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	ST. MICHAEL'S PEOPLE OF PARISH SACRED HEART + David Mueller ST. THERESA'S Joel Ita				

COMMUNION SERVICES

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

Holy Father's Prayer Intention of the Month:

For collaboration between different religious traditions Let us pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice, and human fraternity.

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

WE WELCOME INTO THE CATHOLIC CHRISTIAN FAITH

Dallas James, son of Michelle & Trevor Nekoliczak, baptized October 19th at Sacred Heart Church.



November 2 at 2 a.m. Fall back one hour

REST IN PEACE Our condolences and prayers to the families of Robbie Kleffner buried from St. Michael's and Julianna Hoaglin

buried at Sacred Heart Cemetery. May they rest in peace.

All Souls Remembrance Mass will be celebrated Saturday evening, Nov. 1st, 5pm, at St. Michael's. All Saints Day is not a holy day of obligation because it falls on a Saturday.

PARISH MEETINGS

SM Music Ministry: Wednesday, Oct. 29th, 7:30 pm

SM Fall Drive Total to date: \$20,000 Donors: 15

	EUCHARISTIC ADORATION	MONTHLY	
	St. Michael's Church	First Friday, Nov. 7, 24hr, 9:00 a.m. All other Fridays 9:00 a.m. — 6:00 p.m.	
	Sacred Heart Chapel	First Tuesday, Nov 4, 24 hr., 9:00 a.m.	
	St. Theresa's	Last Sunday of month for Vocations, 10:30 a.m.	

ST. MICHAEL'S	SACRED HEART	ST. THERESA'S
Nov 1: Youth Nov 2: Robert Ballweg	Nov 2: Youth	Nov 2: Audrey Miller
EMHC Nov 1: Holly Carraher, Rich Rist,	Nov 2: Youth	Nov 2: Julie Landgren, Lori King
Ryan & Katy Seamann Nov 2: Jeff & Janelle Pritchard	HOSPITALITY MINISTERS Nov 2: Youth	HOSPITALITY MINISTERS Nov 2: Youth
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Nov 2: Joe Seamann, Marilyn Leslie, Jeremiah & Kara Seamann ALTAR SERVERS	MUSIC MINISTRY Nov 2: Men's Choir	CHURCH CLEANING Oct: Sherry Smith, Sandy Miller,
Nov 1: Breckyn Schmeits, Brynn & Clay Seamann Nov 2: Nolan & Raegan Carraher,	ROSARY Nov 2: Mick Foster	Ranotta Nordhues PRAYER CHAIN
Camryn Carraher MUSIC MINISTRY	SACRISTAN Nov 2: Mary Ann McQuillan	Call: Helen Plugge, Sue Patrick ROSARY
Nov 1: Linda/Matt Nov 2: Linda/Matt	COLLECTION COUNTERS Nov 2: Denny & Donna	For Vocations—Sundays 10:30 a.m. prior to Mass
SM CDA Rosary, Thursdays, before Mass, 4:30 in the chapel.		Thursday morning Communion Service 9:00 a.m. followed by Rosary and Adoration.
THE LORD'S PORTION	THE LORD'S PORTION	THE LORD'S PORTION
October 19 Envelopes \$ 2,090 ACH/online \$ 1,475 Plate \$ 681 Weekly total \$ 4,246	October 19 Envelopes \$ 4,131 ACH/online \$ 20 Plate \$ 585 Weekly total \$ 4,736	October 19 Envelopes \$ 250 Plate \$ 251 Weekly total \$ 501 Total July 1st to date \$ 17,654

"...for whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted." LUKE 18:14

Knights of Columbus #1312 will

be holding a family prayer night in

Sunday, October 26, 5:30 PM.

attend. The Knights will also be

Everyone is encouraged to

serving pizza in the church

basement afterwards.

the Sacred Heart church,

Total

July 1st to date \$ 68,724



Total

October is the month of the Holy Rosary.

July 1st to date \$ 43,443

Homemade Candy and Confections for the SM Fall Auction can be dropped off by 10am on Saturday, Nov. 9th. Time to start looking for those great candy recipes!



SA HAPPENINGS Mon **VB Sub-Districts** Oct 27 Tue Feast of St. Simon & St. Jude; VB Sub-Districts 3:30-5:30 Lego League 8:15 School Mass (3&4); 2nd Round FB playoffs

SH Knights of Columbus#1312:

In appreciation for all the people who have supported the Knights of Columbus in all their activities over the past year and also in consideration for all the families who lost loved ones this past year, the Knights of Columbus #1312 will be serving breakfast on Sunday, November 2 from 9 to 11. There will be no charge.

SM/St. Anne

October Church Cleaning: Joy B Prefect: Wendy Carlin Rotation: Hope, Joy, Trust October Men's Club Team #2: Gary Langer

Knights of Columbus Council #13584 Members ~

pre-registered.

There will be three webinars coming up offered by KC insurance. First webinar discusses maximizing your living benefits Oct. 27. starting at 8pm EST. Second & Third webinars are free financial webinars. Smart Steps to Take Now for Your Retirement, Nov. 5, 2025, 7-7:30 ET & Nov. 12, 2025 7:00-7:30 PT. For more information contact Allan Rolf, 308-223-0477 to get

LUCKY DAY CALENDAR LOTTERY WINNER

Our Sunday, October 26th winner of \$200 is Randy & Lori Carraher.



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Please pray for parishioners and others buried from Families in Faith since All Soul Day 2024:

SH: John Kehler, Mary Ellen Holmes, Jesslyn Weiner, James Happ, Maryjo Harrahill, Randolph Harris, Audrey Wood, Elizabeth McCallister, Robert McKenzie, James Smith, Mick Davey, Martha Kuthe Julianna Hoaglin.

SM: Margaret (Carraher) Briggs,
Agatha McManaman, Aggie Hinkle, Patrick Penne,
Joan M Carraher, Constance "Connie" Glaser,
Mary Zwiener, Donald Kaiser, Louis Rohan,
Carol Bauer, Elizabeth "Betty" Nelson, Dick Stromp,
Dennis Bopp, Robbie Kleffner Jr,
Dennis M. Diessner Sr.

ST: - -

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.

Join us for St. Michael's
Fall Auction
Roast Beef Dinner served from
11:30-1:00
Sunday—Nov. 9th
Spalding—Parish Center

This year something

NEW

Meal Ticket Drawing

For every meal purchased, your name will be entered into a

\$200 Cash Drawing.

*** Must be present to win! ***

Thank you to our Sponsors!

Roast Beef donated by Ericson Livestock Market & \$200 Cash Meal ticket Drawing donated by Spalding Irrigation.

Blessed & Grateful - Trusting in God's Providence

Our Goal for the appeal year October 2025 through August 2026 is \$1.2 million. Last year we met our parish goals for all three parishes. Help us to succeed again.

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St. Michael's Fall Auction is Sunday, November 9th. This is our 44th Annual Fall Auction!

Beautiful gift items & toys have been dropped off at the Dominican Center. We welcome your donations or gift ideas.

Any questions, please contact Stacey Bauer, Denise Spelic or Ashley Kaiser.

Gift Cards are appreciated this year for our Silent Auction Gift Card table. This is an opportunity to remember *Scrip gift cards* which can be purchased at the school office or church office. If you have LARGE baskets, fancy totes or large unique containers for organizing gifts, please drop off at Parish Office.

St Annes Fall Auction Duties

Saturday am-Joy A
Cook-Trust B
Serve-Trust A
Serve- Peace B
Clean up- Peace A
Bake Sale-Joy B



Please note: St. Anne Members are asked to bring a bake sale item or cash donation \$15.00.



WRAP: White Ribbons Against Pornography Oct. 26-Nov. 1, 2025

Celebrating St. Michael's <u>44th</u> Annual Fall Auction Spalding – Parish Center, Sunday, November 9, 2025

Mass 11:00am

Roast Beef Dinner 11:30-1:00 – Carry outs Available
Bake Sale ~ Confectionery Corner ~ Silent Auction
Red Solo Cup Game & Let's Make a Deal are back!
Come see the *Carhart Coverup* this year!
Live Auction starts at 1:00pm

Raffle Prizes:

* JD Zero Turn Lawn Mower with bag *\$200 Scrip Gift Card of your choice *Apple iPad, 11 inch

Contact St. Michael's Church office for Raffle Tickets or to drop off donations.

Donation examples: new gift items, gift cards, farm/ranch items, or cash for our committee to purchase a gift item are accepted.

We truly thank you for all your support!