

***Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 4, 2024***

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

SUNDAY SCRIPTURES
February 11: Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46
Psalm 32:1-2, 5, 11
1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1
Mark 1:40-45

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Our readings today remind us that Christ came to serve. Jesus' entire life was focused on others. He came to fulfill His Father's mission — the salvation of mankind. He labored for this mission by becoming the humblest of servants.

In today's Gospel, Simon says to Jesus, "Everyone is looking for you." Jesus did not seek after the praise. Rather, He responded by saying, "Let us go on to the nearby villages that I may preach there also." Jesus was already looking to whom He could serve next.

As Christian stewards, we are also called to be humble servants who labor for our Father's mission. We should strive to imitate the Perfect Steward, Who was constantly aware of the needs of those around Him and put His gifts to good use. For us, this begins right here in our home, parish, and community. We are called to live each moment in awareness of our Father's mission and in gratitude for all He has given us.

Jesus tells us that the way to be attentive is through prayer. Before Jesus made the decision to go to the nearby villages to preach, He first went off to pray. It is through prayer that Jesus could hear what His Father was asking of Him. We, too, are called to spend time in daily prayer — we will then become aware of the opportunities to serve the Lord.

Let us commit to finding some quiet time this week to pray. Let us ask the Lord — how can I serve You better throughout my days? And let us pray, 'Make me humble, Lord.'

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MASS INTENTIONS

SAT	02/03	5:00 p.m.	ST. MICHAEL'S	† Frank & Marge Seier
SUN	02/04	7:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	ST. MICHAEL'S SACRED HEART ST THERESA'S	PEOPLE OF PARISH † James Zauha † Janet Klein
TUE	02/06	9:00 a.m.	SACRED HEART	† Richard Lenczowski
WED	02/07	10:00 a.m.	ASSISTED LIVING	† Becky Kelly
THU	02/08	5:00 p.m.	ST. CATHARINE'S	† Pat Mahony
FRI	02/09	8:15 a.m.	ST. CATHARINE'S	LaGene Webb
SAT	02/10	4:00 p.m.	ST. MICHAEL'S	† Bud Keber
SUN	02/11	7:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	ST. MICHAEL'S SACRED HEART ST THERESA'S	† Fred & Alyce Glaser PEOPLE OF PARISH † Virgil & Lois Swett

COMMUNION SERVICES

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

Holy Father's Prayer Intention of the Month: FOR THE TERMINALLY ILL.

We pray that those with a terminal illness, and their families, receive the necessary physical and spiritual care and accompaniment.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Tuesdays, 12:00 noon.
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 Kenny Miller & Barrett Berger laid to rest this past week at St. Michael's. May they rest in peace.



K of C Pancake Feed, this Saturday evening, February 3rd after Mass in the Parish Center, 6-7:30pm. Free will donation.



Families in Faith 19th Annual Development Dinner, Illuminate 2024 ~ next Saturday, Feb. 10th. Mass 4pm.
Raffle prize \$3000 cash.
Tickets available at church office.

SM First Reconciliation


for 2nd graders will be Wednesday, February 7th, 7pm





PARISH MEETINGS

SM/ST K of C: Tuesday, Feb. 6, 8pm in Legion bldg.
Finance : Tuesday, February 6, 7pm
SH Pastoral: Wednesday, February 7, 8pm
SM Pastoral: Thursday, Feb. 8, 7pm
SM Music Ministry: Thursday, Feb. 8, 7:30, Dom.Ctr.
ST Altar Society: Sunday, Feb. 11 following Mass
School Board: Monday, Feb 12th, 7pm



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

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SM/ST Knights of Columbus Council # 13584
Dues for 2024 are \$30.

Happy 49th Wedding Anniversary
to Kenny and Diane Ryan.
Congratulations!



Theology on Tap @
Kinkaiders in GI,
Sunday Feb. 4th,
6:30pm.

SUPERSTAR CONTEST: Who's ready for Catholic Schools Week? We are! Vote for your favorite Catholic School, Spalding Academy, in Spirit Catholic Radio's Superstar Contest! For 12 years, Spirit Catholic Radio has been shining a spotlight on Catholic high schools and elementary schools in their listening area with the Superstar Contest. Let's get our community talking about the importance of Catholic education by encouraging others in our community to vote! Superstar voting competition begins January 29th and lasts through February 9th. Voters in this competition will be entered into a prize drawing for a Shell gas gift card!
Visit <https://spiritcatholicradio.com/> to vote!

	SA HAPPENINGS
Mon Feb 5	Activity Day—No Classes; Boone Central Choral Clinic; 3pm JH Boys Charger BB@ Palmer (boys only); State Bowling
Tue Feb 6	Memorial of St. Paul Miki & Companions, Martyrs; JV TBA, 6pm GV, 7:30 BV Charger BB @ Elba; State Bowling
Wed Feb 7	FFA District Proficiency Review; Math League Test; 3:30-5:30 Lego League Practice
Thur Feb 8	1:30, 2:30 JH Charger BB @ Central Valley JV TBA, 6pm GV, 7:30pm BV Charger BB vs Hampton at CR.
Fri. Feb 9	8:15am Mass; GICC Speech Meet
Sat. Feb 10	Feast of St. Scholastica; Illuminate 2024 Families in Faith Dev. Dinner, 4pm Mass, 5-7 Social/Silent Auction. 6:30 Dinner.

SA Catholic Schools Week Auction bidding closes Feb.4 beginning at 1pm. Go to: www.bigirongives.com.

SM/St. Anne
February Church Cleaning: Circle of Joy
Side B: Lori Carraher -Prefect
Rotation: Trust , Peace, Faith
February Men's Club Team #5: Ed Bauer, Troy Kleffner



LUCKY DAY CALENDAR LOTTERY WINNER
Our Sunday, February 4th winner of \$250 is Rob Ita of Ericson. Congratulations!!



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Pro-Life Coffee with State Senators on February 17 in Grand Island

You are Invited! Join local and statewide Pro-Life groups for the **5th Annual Pro-Life Coffee on Saturday, February 17 at Riverside Golf Club in Grand Island.** The program will provide an opportunity to learn about pro-life legislation in Nebraska and about defeating the pro-choice ballot initiative. The program will feature State Senators from central and south-central Nebraska. In addition, Senator Rick Holdcraft (Bellevue) will make a special presentation on his priority bill, The Newborn Save Haven Act, LB 876. Doors open at 8:30 a.m. The program runs from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. Coffee, refreshments and light breakfast will be provided. Riverside Golf Club is located at 2820 Riverside Drive in Grand Island. RSVP appreciated, but not required.

To Register go to <https://www.gdiocese.org/pro-life> or

STEBENVILLE of the ROCKIES

Calling all high school students currently in grades 9-12! Join hundreds of Catholic teens at Steubenville of the Rockies June 21 -23, 2024, to experience the peace of Jesus Christ, who is always faithful and will never abandon us. Find out more at gdiocese.org/Steubenville.

Registration opens February 1, 2024, with an early bird rate of \$359 through February 15, 2024.

HIGHER GROUND

Attention high school sophomores, juniors, and seniors. Higher Ground registration opens February 1, 2024. This retreat is an incredible opportunity to grow stronger in your relationship with Christ, while getting to know your peers from around the diocese. By the end of the retreat, you will have a greater love for God and a new community of faith. Ask your Pastor and youth leader about this opportunity.

Register today at highergroundretreats.org and save with the Early Bird rate of \$295 until February 15, 2024.

Attention Middle School Students currently in 6th, 7th, & 8th Grades!

Higher Ground Extreme Faith camp registration opens February 1, 2024. This retreat is a fun week and a great opportunity to grow stronger in your faith while making new friends from around the diocese. Register today at highergroundretreats.org and save with the Early Bird rate of \$350.

- **Spirit Catholic Radio's** 2024 Spirit "Silver" Celebration Dinner will be held Saturday evening, February 24, 2024 at the Mid America Center in Council Bluffs, IA! This year, our special keynote speaker will be **Dr. Ray Guarendi**. He is the host of **"The Dr. Is In"** that can be heard weekdays at Noon on Spirit Catholic Radio and he is a frequent guest on our Spirit Mornings show. **General Admission is only \$50 per seat.** Social hour is 6pm, with dinner & the program 7pm. His talk is entitled "Reclaiming the Culture begins with Me". Please make your reservation by February 16, 2024.
- To purchase tickets or to
- get more info visit: spiritcatholicradio.com/dinner



NATIONAL Eucharistic Revival

From the Catholic Diocese of Grand Island....

Don't miss out on this Eucharistic Revival Opportunity!

We invite YOU to journey with us to the National Eucharistic Congress. July 17-21, 2024

The National Eucharistic Revival is a movement to restore understanding and devotion to this great mystery here in the United States by helping us renew our worship of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist.

Make history by joining others from across our diocese and the country to be part of the first National Eucharistic Congress in 83 years. You will travel by bus to Indianapolis, IN for a 6-day experience of personal revival.

Cost: \$750 Per Adult Double Occupancy
Get Registered NOW!

More info: gdiocese.org/eucharistic-revival



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.