

**Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**October 6, 2024**  
**St. Michael's Spalding—St. Theresa's, Ericson—Sacred Heart, Greeley**

**SUNDAY SCRIPTURES**  
**Oct 13: Wisdom 7:7-11**  
 Psalm 90:12-13, 14-15, 16-17  
 Hebrews 4:12-13  
**Mark 10:17-30 or 10:17-27**

**FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK** Dear friends in Christ, Most couples walk down the aisle on their wedding day filled with the promise of love. They are bound together by their dreams of a mutually life-giving relationship. They are united in trusting their future together. Today's Gospel reading begins with a painful description of what happens when love is wounded beyond healing; when bonds are fragmented beyond repair; and when trust is shattered beyond hope. The divorce of someone close to us can leave us feeling disillusioned and helpless. However, the way Jesus welcomed the little children immediately after being tested by the Pharisees, points to how he wants us to support those going through the heartache of divorce, or for that matter, any other difficult and complicated experience.

Although artists like to paint a picture of Jesus sitting nobly on a rock surrounded by serene children gazing attentively at him, those of us who know 'real-life children' doubt the genuineness of this artwork. What are the odds of a baby filling his diaper just as he is being handed to Jesus? Can't you imagine a toddler screeching and clinging to her mother in stranger-danger fear? Jesus did not tell the parents to clean up their act or scold the children for their youthful energy. Rather, he welcomed the mess with an open heart and scolded the disciples for trying to avoid it. So, first of all, Jesus calls us to faithfully and courageously wade into the mess with those who are struggling, so, they do not have to face it alone.

The Pharisees in today's Gospel tried to trip Jesus up with their laws. Even as Jesus sparred with their legalism, he modeled a different way of being in relationship. He welcomed the bedlam and commotion of children, embraced their humble, seemingly insignificant lives, and lifted them up in blessing. When hearts are broken and dreams are shattered, Jesus calls us to welcome the mess, embrace the pain, and patiently wait for new blessings to emerge. "How good are we at welcoming, embracing and blessing the messiness of life?" God bless us all, *Fr. Lawrence*

MASS INTENTIONS				
SAT	10/05	5:00 p.m.	ST. MICHAEL'S	Conner & Alyssa Schneider
SUN	10/06	7:00 a.m.	ST. MICHAEL'S	† Vic & Leila Bauer
		9:00 a.m.	SACRED HEART	PEOPLE OF PARISH
		11:00 a.m.	ST. THERESA'S	Ed Heinz
MON	10/07	9:00 a.m.	SACRED HEART	Communion Service
TUE	10/08	5:30 p.m.	SACRED HEART	† Larry & Donna Torson
WED	10/09	9:00 a.m.	SACRED HEART	† Mary Donovan
THU	10/10	5:00 p.m.	ST. CATHARINE'S	Elijah Heinz
FRI	10/11	8:15 a.m.	ST. MICHAEL'S	† Bud Keber
SAT	10/12	7:00 p.m.	ST. MICHAEL'S	† Jim Reilly
SUN	10/13	9:00 a.m.	SACRED HEART	† Patrick Ryan
		11:00 a.m.	ST. MICHAEL'S	Sr. Mary Citali
		11:00 a.m.	ST. THERESA'S	PEOPLE OF PARISH

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

**Holy Father's Prayer Intention of the Month: FOR A SHARED MISSION**—We pray that the Church continues to sustain in all ways a Synodal lifestyle, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, the communion and the mission shared among priests, religious and lay people.

**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**  
 Micah Avis Wood, daughter of Travis & Calen Wood, baptized Sunday, September 29 at Sacred Heart.

**October is the month for the Holy Rosary. The Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary is celebrated on October 7.**

**SM Religious Ed** will hold their Glow in the Dark Rosary, Wednesday, Oct. 9th, 7pm in the church. All are welcome.

**PARISH MEETINGS**

**Finance Council:** Tuesday, October 8, 7a.m.  
**SH Pastoral:** Wednesday, October 9, 8pm  
**SM Music Ministry:** Wed., Oct. 9, 7:30pm  
**SM Liturgy Committee:** Thursday, Oct. 10, 6pm  
**SM Pastoral:** Thursday, Oct. 10, 7pm  
**School Board:** Monday, October 14, 8:00 pm



**SM: No 7am Mass October 13th.**

**Thank you** to all who attended St Michael's & St. Theresa's parochial Feast Day celebrations. A fun time for all! Special thanks to all volunteers, musicians, & coordinators.

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, 24 hr., 9:00 a.m.
St. Theresa's		Last Sunday of month for Vocations, 10 a.m.

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**"So out of the ground the Lord God formed every beast of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name." GENESIS 2:19)**

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**SM Living Rosary Sunday, Oct. 6, 3:00 pm in church. All Welcome.**

**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](https://families-infaith.com) and click on WeShare.

**OCTOBER...**As children go trick and treating, remember that traffickers trick potential victims by initially being kind to them; giving them things as a way of establishing a relationship. Alliance to End Human Trafficking-Founded and Supported by US Catholic Sisters 7575 Grand River Ave.1-1009, Brighton, MI 48114

**SM/St. Anne**  
**October Church Cleaning:** Circle of Hope  
**Side B:** Nancy Glesinger & Starla Stevens, Prefects  
**Rotation:** Trust, Peace, Faith  
**Oct. Men's Club Team #6:** Ed Bauer, Troy Kleffner

	SA HAPPENINGS
Mon Oct. 7	Homecoming Week; Diocesan Teacher in Service-No School; 4:00 JH Charger VB at NE Christian; 5:00 JH Charger FB at NE Christian. 6:30 HS JV Charger FB at NE Christian. 5:00 HS Charger VB TRI at Madison
Tue Oct 8	
Wed Oct 9	2:00 JH Charger VB @ EPPJ; 3:30-5:30 Lego League; Livestock judging gr. 7,8,9.
Thu Oct 10	College Fair at Ord gr.11th & 12th. 2:00 JH & HS Charger Confer XC @ Burwell. 4:30 JH Charger VB @ Fullerton. 5:00 HS Charger VB TRI@ Burwell.
Fri Oct 11	Homecoming; 8:15 All School Mass Homecoming Parade. 2:00 All School Dismissal. 3:00 HS Charger FB vs. NE Christian @ Spalding. Homecoming Coronation & Dance
Sat Oct 12	9:00 JH Charger VB Tourn @ CR

**LUCKY DAY CALENDAR LOTTERY WINNER**  
 Our Sunday, October 6th winner of \$200 is Markie McGill. Congratulations!!