



ONE CHURCH: ENCOUNTERING JESUS, EQUIPPING DISCIPLES, LIVING MERCY.

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Friends,

Every team I've ever been associated with always began the year by meeting and discussing goals for the upcoming season. Of course, this makes perfect sense. In order to plan for a journey of any kind, you always must know where you would like to go before you begin the work of getting there.

The same thing is true of the most important journey any of us ever make; our journey to heaven. Like any sport season, it is important that we reflect from time to time on the goals of our life...to get to heaven. But, before we can enter heaven, there is a process that every fallen human being must go through. That process is called death.

Death is defined as the moment the body separates from the soul. Notice what this means. Science can't tell us precisely when someone dies. Since the soul is immaterial, the only thing medical professional can do is look for signs that this separation has taken place (e.g. heart rate, respiratory activity, brain activity, etc...). It is only when enough signs are present that, in the opinion of the medical professional, the separation of the soul and body has taken place.

This has significant ramifications for our society. After all, some things are morally permitted after death that certainly wouldn't be morally permitted before. For example, suppose someone has agreed to be an organ donor, which is a noble and charitable act. Many times, however, the key to successful donations is to use organs donated as recently as possible. This puts tremendous pressure on medical professionals, who often find themselves in situations where one person's death could greatly enhance another's life.

Certainly, harvesting organs before a person is declared dead is immoral, while harvesting them afterwards would be laudable. However, since determining that moment is somewhat arbitrary and since there can be intense pressure to harvest organs as close to death as possible, it could be quite tempting to manipulate situations to suit the best interest of the one making decisions. This is part of the reason why end-of-life decisions, including when organs should be harvested, are so incredibly complex. It is impossible to know for sure exactly when life ends and death occurs.

Additionally, what happens to the body after death does matter. You see, our bodies are not merely some machine that our soul operates until, one day, the soul is liberated from the body's captivity. No. Our bodies are just as much who we are as our souls. For it is only through our bodies that our soul can operate. We cannot know without our bodies because we have no other way of taking in information. We cannot serve without our bodies because we have no other way of relating our service to others without our bodies. We can't even love without our bodies. The only way we love anybody or anything is because we've experienced them some way with our bodies. Thus, our bodies are not disposable vessels. Rather, our bodies are sacred because they were set apart by God and given us to use so that we could know, love and serve God and our neighbors in this life in order to be with Him in the next.

Naturally, since our bodies are sacred, they cannot be used in ordinary ways, even after death has occurred. For instance, while it would be permissible to take our old, unusable car to the junkyard and let it rot, it is not permissible to do the same thing with our old, unusable bodies. This is why our bodies, even after death, must be treated with the utmost respect.

This is why the Church is so meticulous with a person's body after their death, especially if the body is cremated. For just as no one would ever scatter a loved one's arm here, leg there, eye there and nose somewhere else, so, too, the cremains are not permitted to be scattered. Rather, they must be placed in a worthy urn and inurned in a place suitable to the sacredness of the human body. The Church, after all, has to be just as careful about the person's body as their soul. For not only will both be one day reunited, but they are also both necessary for our loved one to be whole.

Blessings,

Fr. EJA

GENERAL INFORMATION

SACRAMENT PREP

CONFESSIONS:

DAILY: 7:30 AM-7:50 AM (Before All Daily Masses)

SATURDAYS: **Lindsay:** 4:00 PM-4:45 PM

Humphrey: 4:30 PM-5:15 PM

SUNDAYS: **Lindsay:** 7:30 AM-8:15 AM

Leigh: 8:00 AM-8:20 AM

Tarnov: After 10:30 AM Mass

BAPTISMS: To schedule, please contact Rev. Eric Olsen at (402) 923-0913.

MARRIAGE: Please contact the priest six months before wedding in order to fulfill required wedding prep classes.

CONTACTS

Pastor:

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Rev. Wayne Pavela 402-923-0913

To Submit Bulletin Information:

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St. Michael Parishioners stmichaelstarnov@gmail.com

(For other parish contacts, please see the following pages.)

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER...

PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS:

JoAnn Thomazin, Julie (Werner) Frauendorfer

KEEP IN PRAYER AS THEY SERVE OUR COUNTRY:

Ben Borer, Nicole Thompson, Aaron Wallin, Steve Bender,
Jacob Williams, SFC Van Dyke,

Codi Rose Fehringer, Fr. Curt Dwyer, Bryce Bartholomew,
Calvin Wiese, Jared Wiehn, Doc Schumacher, Dylan Preister,
Craig Prather, Mitchell Preister, Cody Ramaekers,
Eric and Michelle Oberhauser

(Please call your parish office to add a name.)

A PRAYER FOR LABOR DAY

Good and Gracious God,

You created human beings in Your image and likeness
and gave dominion over creation to be stewards of the land
and co-creators of Your kingdom.

Jesus, You became one of us and labored as a carpenter.

You ask all people--whatever our state of life--to follow
You faithfully.

Holy Spirit, bless all workers this Labor Day.

May all our actions be animated by Your love, as we do
all things for the glory of God. Amen.

MASS SCHEDULES & INTENTIONS

ST. FRANCIS CHURCH, HUMPHREY:

Sat, 08/31:

5:30 PM-Dick & Evelyn Hemmer (45th WA)

Sun, 09/01:

10:00 AM-For the People of Our Cluster Parishes

Mon, 09/02:

9:00 AM--Emmert & +Rita Wegener

Tues, 09/03:

8:00 AM--Greg Weidner, & +Jamie Weidner

Wed, 09/04:

8:00 AM--Eileen Brandl

Thurs, 09/05:

8:00 AM--Mary Kuchar

Fri, 09/06:

6:30 AM-Souls of the Faithfully Departed

Sat, 09/07:

5:30 PM--Gene & +Mary Ellen Zach (WA)

Sun, 09/08:

10:00 AM--Luke & +Arlene Weidner

(WA): Wedding
Anniversary

(A): Anniversary
of Death

(B): Birthday

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH, LINDSAY:

Sat, 08/31:

5:00 PM-L/D Alvin Preister Family

Sun, 09/01:

8:30 AM-Jamie & Greg Weidner

Mon, 09/02:

8:00 AM-L/D Ray & Mildred Oberhauser

Tues, 09/03:

8:00 AM-L/D Marv & Rhoda Gilsdorf Family

Wed, 09/04:

6:30 AM-L/D Novotny Family

8:00 AM-Connie Beller

Thurs, 09/05:

8:00 AM-Jane Ramaekers

Fri, 09/06:

8:00 AM-Purgatorial Society

Sat, 09/07:

5:00 PM-Harry Nienaber

Sun, 09/08:

8:30 AM-Holy Family Parishioners

ST. MARY, LEIGH:

Sun, 09/08:

8:30 AM-Helen Wietfeld

ST. MICHAEL, TARNOV:

Sun, 09/08:

10:30 AM-Ferd Dohmen

ST. FRANCIS CHURCH

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Office Hours: Tuesday-Friday - 8:00 AM-3:30 PM

CONTACTS

PARISH MINISTERS:

Deacon Dennis Anderson (402) 920-1380
Deacon Kent Sachau (402) 369-1750
Deacon Tim Howard (402) 841-3434
Parish Council: Dave Krings (402) 992-1376
Ken Classen (402) 923-0313
Finance Board: Bryan Reichmuth (402) 340-6429
School Board: Brandon Morfeld (402) 910-2280
Lindsey Kosch (402) 910-3303
Home & School Association: Suzanne Beltz (402) 640-7360
Sarah Classen (402) 923-0131
Religious Ed Director: Lori Classen (402) 923-0987
Daycare Director: Brandi Eisenmenger (402) 923-0585
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Finance Office: Lisa Krings (402) 923-0913
Parish Office Secretary: Karen Wieser (402) 923-0913
Alumni Relations Coordinator: Missy Braun (402) 923-0818
Prayer Line: During Office Hours - Parish Office .. (402) 923-0913
After Office Hours - Connie Foltz (402) 920-3222
Pastoral Minister: Diane Zach (402) 920-0617
Gift Shop: Julie Krings (402) 992-4151

ST. FRANCIS SCHOOLS:

Principal: Jennifer Dunn jdunn@hsfschool.org
Jr./Sr. High School: 402-923-0818
Elementary School: 402-923-0611

PARISH SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Sun, 09/01: *7 PM-"Rosary for Peace" in Church
Mon, 09/02: *Labor Day
*9 AM-Daily Mass
Fri, 09/06: *6:30 AM-Mass for the Souls of the
Recently Departed
*5 PM-Benediction
Sat, 09/07: *1:30 PM-Big Red Bash @ HS Gym
Sun, 09/08: *7 PM-"Rosary for Peace" in Church

SCRIP:
*Sales &
Profit*

August 2019
SCRIP sales totaled \$7,085.
Total profit from sales
came to \$304.32.

DID YOU KNOW...Families are now able to order SCRIP directly from Great Lakes SCRIP and use a credit card to pay (a 2.6% convenience fee will be charged). If anyone is interested in signing up to do this, please contact Shari Haiar directly at 402-270-3732.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS SEPT. 7-8

Sat, 5:30 PM

Lector-Terri Wilshusen
Servers-Jocelyn Dunn, Kiley Heinen
EMHCs-Deacon Dennis Anderson, Sharon Wegener
Greeters-Tim & Connie Foltz
Gift Bearers-Mick & Nancy Bender

Sun, 10:00 AM

Lector-Bruce Pfeifer
Servers-Whitney Wegener, Anna Stricklin
EMHCs-Deacon Kent Sachau, Karen Wieser
Greeters-Ryan & Karla Zach
Gift Bearers-Stan & Sandy Wemhoff

SUNDAY COLLECTION REPORT

08/21/19 thru 08/27/19

Church/School 19/20 Fiscal Year Budget..... \$1,979,168.63
Fiscal YTD Church/School Total Income \$ 323,930.79
Fiscal YTD Church/School Total Expenses \$ 154,262.96
Surplus/(Deficit)..... \$ 169,667.83

Fiscal Year: Weeks Elapsed-8 / Weeks Remaining-44

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS: PRE - \$10, R&B - \$10,
Youth - \$27.64, Assumption - \$46, Air Conditioning - \$95,
Bazaar - \$130, Loose - \$566.69, School Support - \$1,760,
Church Support - \$4,697.50

BAZAAR GAMES SPECIAL 2nd COLLECTION: \$457.82

2nd COLLECTION: Next weekend the 2nd collection will go toward our Restoration & Building Fund.

CHURCH CLEANING

WEEKLY CHURCH CLEANING CHAIRMEN:

Deacon Dennis & Celie Anderson - 402-920-3557
Deacon Kent & Tina Sachau - 402-369-6688
Carl & Kim Jarosz - 402-246-5701
Nathan & Renee Classen - 402-920-1357
Chris & Kendra Warren - 308-870-3454
Paul & Diane Krings - 402-923-0186

SACRISTY & FLOWERS CHAIRMEN:

Chris & Missy Braun - 402-923-0173

Tom & Kris Hastreiter - 402-923-1085
Jenny Ternus - 402-910-0415
Ryan & Karla Zach - 402-304-3787
Dave & Mary Helen Fuchs - 402-923-0960
Duane & Lindsey Kosch - 402-910-3303
Scott & Tanya Babel - 402-923-0127

VACUUMERS: Terry & Brenda Foltz, Jim & Lisa Classen

SERVING QUILTERS

It's Your Turn To Bring A Dessert: 3:30 PM in parish hall.

Friday, September 6: Jeanne Esparza

Monday, September 8: Flavian & Monica Veik