



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

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Friends,

One of the debates that has plagued the Church throughout her existence is the relationship between faith and science. At times, these debates have become so contentious that it has led both to persecutions of scientists by Christians and persecution of Christianity by science. This is a shame, precisely because, if there were ever two realities that should be closely aligned, it is the realities of faith and science.

Think of it this way. God is the author of all truth. Our human experience, however, receives these truths from God in two different, but complementary ways. One way we receive truth is by discerning it in our world through our senses. This is the process we call "science". The goal of science is to determine what is true in our world by analyzing what is observable. Thus, when science has enough information from enough observation, it declares some observable reality to be "true".

Notice, however, that this field of science is limited only to what is observable. There is another entirely different realm of truth authored by God – the spiritual. We testify to these two realms in the very first line of the Nicene Creed. "We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, *of all that is visible and invisible.*" Not only is God the author of the truth that is seen, which is discerned by science, but also of the truth that is unseen. We call this truth faith.

When seen in this light, two interesting observations can be made. The first is that there is more certainty in truths of faith than there is with truths of science. It may seem odd to say that we are more certain that God is a Trinity of persons than we are that two plus two equals four. Nevertheless, those truths God reveals directly are more reliable than those we discern from our senses.

Our human experience seems to corroborate this. In fact, notice how the truths of science have changed over the years. When I was in high school, we learned in science that our world was slipping into another ice age and oil would be gone by 2020. Today, we are worried about global warming and there's more known oil reserves than at any point in human history. At one time it was an indisputable scientific fact that the earth was the center of the universe. Centuries later it was an indisputable scientific fact that the sun was. Now we know that neither is. At one time it was an indisputable scientific fact that the world was flat, that an atom was the absolute smallest particle known to man, etc... The list could go on and on and on.

It's not that science is evil and always wrong. In fact, the opposite is true. Science is necessary for us to develop into the creatures God wants us to be. The reason God gave us human intellect is so that we could exercise it and discern Him in the truths we observe in our world. The difficulty comes in that, given enough new information, what was thought to be true may evolve.

The same thing, however, does not happen with truths of faith. No matter how much time or new information we receive, God will continue to be three persons completely sharing one divine nature. Jesus Christ will always be true God and true man. Mary will always have been assumed to heaven body and soul, and so much more. These and the numerous other truths of our faith will, unlike science, never change and never evolve. Since they are revealed directly by God Himself, they are the truest realities in our world.

Our second observation is that there can never be any real contradictions to what is revealed to us in faith and what we have discerned as true in science. This is probably self-evident by now. Since God is the author of all truth, and since God cannot contradict Himself, there can be no contradiction in our discernment of God in this world (science) and what God has revealed to us directly (faith).

Of course, there have been, are and will continue to be apparent contradictions between truths of faith and truths of science. But these contradictions are the result of misunderstandings. Either these apparent contradictions result from a misunderstanding of science (more likely the case) or a misunderstanding of faith. More often than not, these misunderstandings involve one of these two avenues to truth overstepping their scope of expertise.

Faith and science are like two lungs, faith and science are meant to work together to discern truth. It is only when both work together that humans will breathe deeply from the truth that is not idea, but a person; Jesus Christ.

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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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:

Mark Podliska, Julie (Werner) Frauendorfer

KEEP IN PRAYER AS THEY SERVE OUR COUNTRY:

Eric and Michelle Oberhauser, 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

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

MASS SCHEDULES & INTENTIONS

ST. FRANCIS CHURCH, HUMPHREY:

Sat, 09/07:

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

Sun, 09/08:

10:00 AM--+Luke & +Arlene Weidner

Mon, 09/09:

8:00 AM-L/D +Stanley & +Clara Beller Family

Tues, 09/10:

8:00 AM--+Maurice Wieser, +Leander & +Agnes Eisenmenger

Wed, 09/11:

8:00 AM-L/D CDA Members, +Carolyn Gronenthal

Thurs, 09/12:

8:00 AM-L/D +Denis & Lugene Torczon Family

Fri, 09/13:

6:30 AM-NO MASS

Sat, 09/14:

5:30 PM-Nancy Frauendorfer-CDA

Sun, 09/15:

10:00 AM-Deacon Dennis & Celie Anderson (40th WA)

(WA): Wedding
Anniversary

(A): Anniversary
of Death

(B): Birthday

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH, LINDSAY:

Sat, 09/07:

5:00 PM-Harry Nienaber

Sun, 09/08:

8:30 AM-Holy Family Parishioners, L/D Adam Jarecki Family

Mon, 09/09:

8:00 AM-NO MASS

Tues, 09/10:

8:00 AM-L/D Harold & Bernice Korth Family

Wed, 09/11:

6:30 AM-NO MASS

8:00 AM-Dorothy Shanle

Thurs, 09/12:

8:00 AM-Don Borer

Fri, 09/13:

8:00 AM-L/D James & Viola Formanek

Sat, 09/14:

5:00 PM-L/D Bob & Lois Pfeifer Family

Sun, 09/15:

8:30 AM-L/D Bud & Lori Bender Family

ST. MARY, LEIGH:

Sun, 09/08:

8:30 AM-Meyer Urban & Family

ST. MICHAEL, TARNOV:

Sun, 09/08:

10:30 AM-St. Michael Parishioners

What Are the Benefits and Results of Eucharistic Adoration?

- An increased reception and reverence of the Holy Eucharist.
- An increase of vocations to Priesthood and the Religious life.
- Alone time with your Lord and God.
- Strengthening of faith and love within your family.
- By listening to God's words, we can learn what His plan is for us to do in life.

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
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School Board: Brandon Morfeld(402) 910-2280
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Home & School Association: Suzanne Beltz(402) 640-7360
Sarah Classen(402) 923-0131
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Daycare Director: Brandi Eisenmenger(402) 923-0585
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Finance Office: Lisa Krings(402) 923-0913
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Alumni Relations Coordinator: Missy Braun(402) 923-0818
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Pastoral Minister: Diane Zach.....(402) 920-0617
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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, 09/08: *7 PM-"Rosary for Peace" in Church
Tues, 09/10: *12 PM-Widow/Widowers Luncheon In P.H.
Wed, 09/11: *7 PM-Athletic Board Meeting
Thurs, 09/12: *7:30 PM-Knights of Columbus Meeting
Sat, 09/14: *2 PM-Matt Korus & Jacey Olmer Wedding
Sun, 09/15: *PRE Rolls & Coffee After 10 AM Mass
*7 PM-"Rosary for Peace" in Church
Sat, 09/21: *8 AM-Finance Board Meeting In Rectory
*9:30 AM-Parish Council Meeting In Rectory
Tues, 09/24: *7:45 PM-School Board Meeting In Rectory

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR HOURS

In High School Lobby

Tuesday, Sept. 10: 7:30 AM-4:00 PM
Wednesday, Sept. 11: 7:30 AM-4:00 PM
Thursday, Sept. 12: 7:30 AM-8:00 PM
Friday, Sept. 13: 7:30 AM-4:00 PM
Mon, Sept. 16: 7:30 AM-4:00 PM

All proceeds support our schools' libraries!



LITURGICAL MINISTERS SEPT. 14-15

Sat, 5:30 PM

Lector-Ethan Bruland
Servers-Gage Braun, Tucker Czarnick
EMHCs-Deacon Kent Sachau, Jenny Ternus
Greeters-Chris & Amy Slama
Gift Bearers-Roger & Rita Baumgart

Sun, 10:00 AM

Lector-Sandy Wemhoff
Servers-Ty Classen, Tatum Classen
EMHCs-Deacon Tim Howard, Steve Wieser
Greeters-Mary Helen Fuchs, Gina Eisenmenger
Gift Bearers-Rich & Phyllis Heinen

LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTION REPORT

Church/School 19/20 Fiscal Year Budget.....\$1,979,168.63

Fiscal YTD Church/School Total Income\$ 373,408.00

Fiscal YTD Church/School Total Expenses\$ 309,462.14

Surplus/(Deficit).....\$ 63,945.86

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS: Youth - \$15.21, PRE - \$125,
Bazaar - \$130, Tuition Relief - \$200, Loose - \$782.25,
School Support - \$2,895, Church Support - \$3,889.50

RESTORATION & BUILDING FUND 2nd COLLECTION: \$317

2nd COLLECTION: Next weekend the 2nd collection will go toward our Debt Reduction.

CHURCH CLEANING

WEEKLY CHURCH CLEANING CHAIRMEN:

Kirk & April Westring - 402-920-1599

Marilyn Heesacker - 402-923-1321

Mike & Jasmine Heesacker - 402-923-0356

Ted & Jackie Wegener - 402-920-1735

Patti Sliva - 402-920-1958

Bradley & Joan Swerczek - 402-920-1550

SACRISTY & FLOWERS 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

VACUUMERS: Tim & Jill Werner, Leon & Barb Bender

SERVING QUILTERS

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

Friday, September 13: Glenn & Joyce Ternus

Monday, September 15: Randy & Geri Bender