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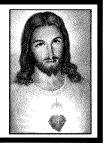
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Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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The Humble Path: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Echoing the complaint heard in last week's readings, today's First Reading again presents protests that God isn't fair. Why does He punish with death one who begins in virtue but falls into iniquity, while granting life to the wicked one who turns from sin?

This is the question that Jesus takes up in the parable in today's Gospel. The first son represents the most heinous sinners of Jesus' day—tax collectors and prostitutes—who by their sin at first refused to serve in the Lord's

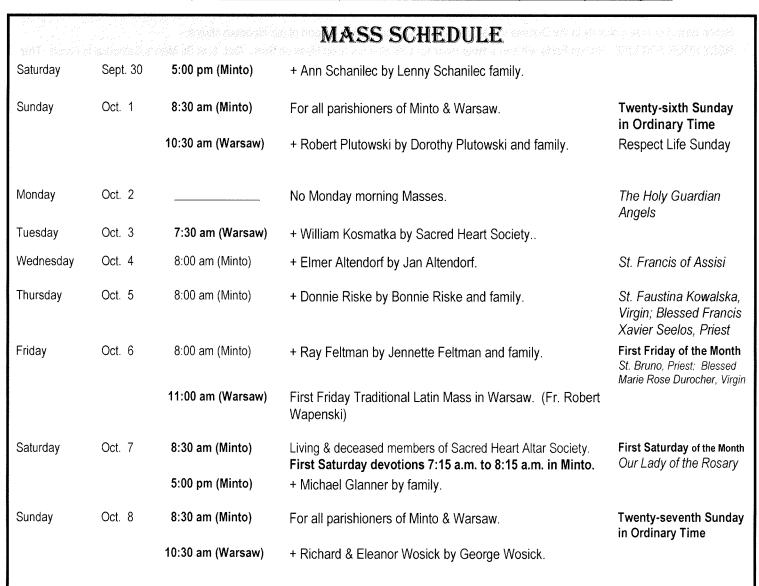
vineyard, the kingdom. At the preaching of John the Baptist, they repented and did what was right and just. The second son represents Israel's leaders—who said they would serve God in the vineyard but refused to believe John when he told them they must produce good fruits as evidence of their repentance.

Once again, this week's readings invite us to ponder the unfathomable ways of God's justice and mercy. He teaches His ways only to the humble, as we sing in today's Psalm. And in the Epistle today, Paul presents Jesus as the model of that humility by which we come to know life's true path.

Paul sings a beautiful hymn to the Incarnation. Unlike Adam, the first man, who in his pride grasped at being God, the New Adam, Jesus, humbled himself to become a slave, obedient even unto death on the cross. In this He has shown sinners—each one of us—the way back to the Father. We can only come to God to serve in His vineyard, the Church, by having that same attitude as Christ.

This is what Israel's leaders lacked. In their vainglory, they presumed their superiority—that they had no further need to hear God's Word or listen to God's servants. But this is the way to death, as God tells Ezekiel today. We are always to be emptying ourselves, seeking forgiveness for our sins and frailties, confessing on bended knee that He is Lord, to the glory of the Father.

https://stpaulcenter.com/audio/sunday-bible-reflections/the-humble-path-scott-hahn-reflects-on-the-twenty-sixth-sunday-in-ordinary-time/



CONFESSIONS Sat. 3:45-4:55 pm (Minto), 1/2 hour before weekday Mass, & anytime... just call. Also Confession Time: 1/2 hour before Sunday Masses.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

MINTO: Saturday, October 7: Altar Servers: Jack Lane & Jacob Hefta. Lector: Lynn Lane.

Sunday, October 8: Altar Servers: Riley, Eli, & Ezra Robinson Lector: Joan Schanilec.

WARSAW: Sun., Oct. 1: Altar Servers: Joseph Vandal, Andrew Riske, Gabe & Griffin Gudajtes. Lector: Todd Burianek.

Sunday, October 8: Altar Servers: Damian Bushaw, James Vandal, Blake & Brayden Lizakowski. Lector: Todd Burianek.

ALL PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>CATHOLIC CHARITIES SUNDAY</u> was last weekend **Sept. 23 & 24**. Catholic Charities ND relies on the generous support from parishioners and community members to continue to offer much needed services to those who need it most. Envelopes were attached to a previous bulletin or use your own envelope marked Catholic Charities to make a donation. You may put your envelope in the collection basket or mail it directly to Fargo.

<u>PARISH EVENT CALENDARS</u> are now available on the website for Sacred Heart and St. Stanislaus Parishes (https://www.sh-ss.org/Schedules.php). These calendars will show the different events that are scheduled in the church buildings.

THANK YOU to the following sponsors of the blue Catholic Devotional booklet: Green Brothers Landscaping & Construction, Minot; Walsh County Mutual Insurance Co., Minto; Kilmer Excavating, Grafton; Leon's Building Center, Inc., Park River and Devils Lake; Northdale Oil, Inc, Minto, Grand Forks, and many other locations; Pembina County Memorial Hospital and Wedgewood Manor, Cavalier; Samson Electric Ltd., Park River, Langdon, and Minto; Azteca Mexican Grill, Grafton; Unplugged Drain Cleaning & Drain Camera, serving the whole state of North Dakota.

HIGH SCHOOL RELIGIOUS ED. CLASSES: All the students in grades 9-12 will be attending the St. Gianna & Pietro Molla Maternity Home event on Wed., Oct. 4, at 6:30pm at St. Stanislaus Church in Warsaw for a presentation given by Fr. Joseph Christensen, FMI, and Mary Pat Jahner. Religious Ed. Classes for grades 9-12 will be on Wed., Oct. 11, 6:45pm to 8:00pm. The girls in grades 11 & 12 will meet at Mary Pat's house in Warsaw (NW of the Gianna Home). The girls in grades 9 & 10 will meet at John & Dawn Miller's house in Minto. The first class for the boys in grades 9-12 with Fr. Moen will be on Wed., Oct. 11, at St. Stanislaus Church basement in Warsaw at 6:45pm. Religious Ed. letters and class schedules have been mailed to parents. If you did not receive one, please call the parish office at 701-248-3589.

<u>RELIGIOUS ED. CLASSES</u> for grades K-8 on Wed., Oct. 11, 6:30-7:30 p.m. at Sacred Heart Church in Minto. If you did not receive a registration letter, please call the parish office at 701-248-3589.

<u>COLLECTION FOR THE RELIGIOUS ED. PROGRAM</u> will be taken the weekend of **October 7 & 8** in both parishes. Envelopes are attached to this weekend's bulletins or use your own envelope marked Religious Ed. and note to which parish you wish your donation to go to.

"LOVE LIKE A SAINT" is the title of the Fall session for a women's study at Sacred Heart Church starting on Tuesday, Oct. 17 (notice change to TUESDAYS) at 7:15pm. Based on the book of that title by author Elizabeth M. Kelly, we are introduced to seven little known female saints who have lived the virtues of obedience, friendship, perseverance, patience, faith, courage, hope, etc. At the end of each chapter, there are questions for journaling, discussion, and prayer. Each chapter is about 20 pages. Book comments: "Liz Kelly paints the portraits of real woman who sought virtue and holiness in their daily lives. This new book will inspire many to live the life of holiness and peace that we are all called to as disciples of Jesus." Please contact Joan at 360-2499 with questions. Contact Doreen for book pick up at 248-3589 (parish office) or 248-3635 (home).

<u>GOD'S GIFT APPEAL:</u> Thanks to all our parishioners who have made their gift to the 2023 God's Gift Appeal. As of Sept. 15 Sacred Heart Parish is 62.42% towards its goal of \$33,816 with 34.13% participation and St. Stanislaus Parish is 53.63% towards its goal of \$23,788 with 37.50% participation. If you have not made a gift or pledge, please fill out a commitment card located in the church entry or by the bulletins and return it in the collection basket or mail it directly to the Diocese of Fargo. Please participate in the support of our diocesan church.

HOLY HOUR FOR LIFE: Bishop Folda will lead a Holy Hour for Life after the noon Mass on Sun., Oct. 1, at St. Mary's Cathedral in Fargo. This replaces the Walk with Christ for Life event previously scheduled. All the faithful are invited to attend this special Holy Hour for Life. A free meal will be served in the Cathedral basement following the holy hour.

<u>"LIVING FOR ETERNITY"</u> - Join Saint Gianna & Pietro Molla Maternity Home on the feast of Saint Francis of Assisi and Saint Gianna's birthday on Wednesday, October 4, for a presentation by Fr. Joseph Christensen, FMI, and the home's director, Mary Pat Jahner. The presentation will be from 6:30 to 7:45 pm at Saint Stanislaus Catholic Church in Warsaw. The presentation is geared toward high school students, young adults, and adults. Refreshments and door prizes will follow the presentation.

<u>PLEASE JOIN THE 2023 PUBLIC SQUARE ROSARY CRUSADE.</u> Our nation is in great need of public prayer, repentance, and conversion. We ask God to save America through the Rosary of His Most Holy Mother. Please join us in praying for our nation of Sat., **Oct. 14**, at 12:00 noon. The local Public Square Rosary Rally will take place at St. Luke's Parish, Veseleyville, ND. Please contact Steve at 701-248-3669 for more information.

<u>EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL PRESENTATION</u> at St. Brigid's of Ireland Catholic Church, Cavalier, Sunday, **October 15**. Speakers will be Fr. Eppler, Fr. Wapenski, and Dawn Holm from 3:00-4:30pm. Adoration from 4:30-5:30pm. Refreshments will be served. Bring a friend.

THE HEALING POWER OF GOD October 27-29 Rachel's Vineyard Retreat: If you or someone you love has been suffering from the emotional and spiritual pains of an abortion – no matter how much time has passed – please know that a Rachel's Vineyard retreat weekend will help your soul transform that pain into hope for the future. You are not alone. Join us from October 27-29 for a safe, loving, and confidential weekend to experience the healing power of God's infinite mercy. This retreat is sponsored by the Diocese of Fargo, ND. To register or get information, contact Carol Kling at 605-374-5639 or ckling@sdplains.com

BINGO at St. Mary's Church hall, Park River, **Oct. 1 & 29**, & Christmas Bingo on **Dec. 10**. All at 2:00pm. Cash & assorted prizes. \$5. per card. 20 games. **FALL DINNERS:** St. Mary's, Park River, Sun., **Oct. 1**, 11:00am-1:00pm. Meatballs, mashed potatoes, veggie, pie. Bingo, cake walk, raffle. St. John's, Grafton, Sun., **Oct. 8**, 11:00am-2:00pm. Turkey dinner. Dine in or take out. Raffle. Country Store—baked & canned goods. St. Jude's, Thompson, Sun., **Oct. 8**, 12 noon-5:00pm. Turkey, dressing, corn, pumpkin dessert. Handicapped accessible. Bake sale. St. Boniface, Walhalla, Sun., **Oct. 8**, 2:00pm-5:00pm. Turkey & all the trimmings.

Sacred Heart, Minto, Sun., Nov. 5, 11:00am-2:00pm at the Minto Community Center. Meatballs, ham, sauerkraut & pork, desserts.

MINTO

<u>THANK YOU</u> for the following donations: <u>Sacred Heart Cemetery:</u> In memory of **Robbie Votava** by Ione Kiedrowski. In memory of **George & Sophie Wysocki** by Vern & Joan Dondoneau. <u>St. Patrick's Cemetery:</u> Donation from Francis J. Koehmstedt.

THANK YOU to the ladies who cleaned the religious ed. classrooms at the rectory on Sept. 20. It was very much appreciated.

13TH ANNUAL MINI-RAFFLE to be held on Sun., Nov. 5, at the Sacred Heart Church Fall Dinner at the Minto Community Center. Donations for new items only are requested. Items can be for men, women, or children. If you do crafts or woodworking; if you knit, crochet, embroider, or sew; or if you would like to purchase an item or a gift certificate and would like to donate the item for the mini-raffle, please call Mary Mondry at 248-3795. Items can be dropped off now or as soon as possible, but please call first. All kinds of items are needed. Deadline to drop off items is Oct. 31. Donations received after the Oct. 31 deadline will be held over for a future mini-raffle. Suggestions for the mini-raffle: toys, games, puzzles, CD's, DVD's, books, kitchen items, seasonal decorations, knick-knacks, religious articles, winter scarves and mittens, tools, towels, pillowcases, aprons, gift baskets, jewelry, gift certificates. Your help is needed to make the mini-raffle a success.

OCTOBER CHURCH CLEANING: Lead: Jane Nice. Colleen Alphson, Kyle & Jane Nice, Steve Novak, Shane & Nicky Robinson, Helen Zikmund.

WARSAW

<u>THANK YOU</u> for the following donation: <u>St. Stanislaus Cemetery:</u> In memory of Mary Alice (Gudajtes) Corah by Vern & Joan Dondoneau. <u>OCTOBER CHURCH CLEANING:</u> Lead: John & Heather Narloch. Mike Ginter, Jacob Kazmierczak, Josh Kazmierczak, Mike & Kristi Stoltman.