

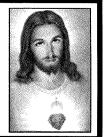
St. Stanislaus Parish Warsaw, ND Est. 1900

September 17, 2023

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sacred Heart Parish Minto, ND Est. 1905

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The Debt We Owe: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mercy and forgiveness should be at the heart of the Christian life.

Yet, as today's First Reading wisely reminds us, often we cherish our wrath, nourish our anger, and refuse mercy to those who have done us wrong. Jesus, too, strikes close to home in today's

Gospel with His realistic portrayal of the wicked servant who won't forgive a fellow servant's debt, even though his own slate has just been wiped clean by their master.

It can't be this way in the kingdom, the Church. In the Old Testament, seven is frequently a number associated with mercy and the forgiveness of sins. The just man sins seven times daily; there is a sevenfold sprinkling of blood for atonement of sins. But Jesus tells Peter today that we must forgive not seven times, but seventy times seven times. That means: every time.

We are to be merciful as our Father in heaven is merciful. But why? Why does Jesus repeatedly warn that we can't expect forgiveness for our trespasses unless we're willing to forgive others their trespasses against us?

Because, as Paul reminds us in today's Epistle, we are the Lord's. Each of us has been purchased by the blood of Christ shed for us on the Cross. As we sing in today's Psalm, though we deserved to die for our sins, He doesn't deal with us according to our crimes. The mercy and forgiveness we show to others should be the heartfelt expression of our gratitude for the mercy and forgiveness shown to us.

This is why we should remember our last days, set our enmities aside, and stop judging others. We know that one day we will stand before the judgment seat and give account for what we've done with the new life given to us by Christ.

So we forgive each other from the heart, overlook each other's faults, and await the crown of His kindness and compassion.

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			MASS SCHEDULE	
Saturday	Sept. 16	5:00 pm (Minto)	+ Johnny Rudnik by Mary A. Mondry and Henry Rudnik. (Fr. McDermott)	
Sunday	Sept. 17	8:30 am (Minto)	Rod & Joan Schanilec and family by Janelle Schanilec. (Fr. McDermott)	Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
		10:30 am (Warsaw)	For all parishioners of Warsaw & Minto. (Fr. McDermott)	·
Monday	Sept. 18		No Monday morning Masses.	
Tuesday	Sept. 19		No morning Mass in Warsaw. Fr. Moen is on vacation.	St. Januarius, Bishop & Martyr
Wednesday	Sept. 20	8:00 am (Minto)	+ Jane Grzadzielewski by Tim Kenyon.	Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Priest, and Paul Chong Ha-sang, and Companions, Martyrs
Thursday	Sept. 21	8:00 am (Minto)	+ Betsy Knecht by Stephen Mondry.	St. Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist
Friday	Sept. 22	8:00 am (Minto)	+Tony & Jane Zidon by the Zidon family.	v
Saturday	Sept. 23	8:00 am (Minto)	+ Fr. Richard LaCorte.	St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest
		5:00 pm (Minto)	+ Walter Paschke by Bill & Denise Lien.	
Sunday	Sept. 24	8:30 am (Minto)	For all parishioners of Minto & Warsaw.	Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
		10:30 am (Warsaw)	+ Evelyn T. Feltman by her children.	

<u>CONFESSIONS</u> 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, September 23: Altar Servers: Volunteers needed. Lector: Irene Evenson.

Sunday, September 24: Altar Servers: Jack & Bennett Kennedy. Lector: Stephanie Nice.

WARSAW: Sunday, September 17: Altar Servers: Ben Gudajtes & Krystian Gudajtes. Lector: Jason Plutowski.

Sunday, September 24: Altar Servers: Jaxon Sands & Estefano Moncada. Lector: Jason Plutowski.

ALL PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY while Fr. Moen is gone on vacation, please call Fr. Eppler in Grafton at 314-750-8937.

<u>CATHOLIC CHARITIES SUNDAY</u> is the weekend of **Sept. 23 & 24**. Catholic Charities ND relies on the generous support from parish-ioners and community members to continue to offer much needed services to those who need it most. Services include Pregnancy, Parenting, and Adoption Services, Guardianship Services for the Vulnerable, and more. Envelopes are attached to the bulletins.

<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.

HIGH SCHOOL RELIGIOUS ED. CLASSES for grades 9-12 will be held at Warsaw this year. The girls will meet at Mary Pat's house in Warsaw (NW of the Gianna Home) on Wed., Sept. 27, at 6:45pm. The boys first class (with Fr. Moen) will be on Wed., Oct. 11 at St. Stanislaus Church basement in Warsaw at 6:45pm. All the 9-12 graders are encouraged to attend 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. Please note the RE start date changes from the last bulletin. Religious Ed. letters and class schedules have been mailed to parents.

RELIGIOUS ED. CLASSES for grades K-8 will begin on Wed., Sept. 27, at 6:30 p.m. at Sacred Heart Church in Minto. Parents will have orientation and the children will have their Circle of Grace lesson. A dessert treat reception will be held in the church basement for everyone after class. Registration letters and class schedules have been mailed to parents. If you did not receive a letter, please call the parish office 701-248-3589.

GOD'S GIFT APPEAL: 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.

<u>DONATIONS ARE NEEDED FOR OUR CEMETERIES:</u> The mowing season is still here and the cemeteries are in need of funds, especially St. Patrick's Cemetery. Any memorial or donation will be greatly appreciated.

<u>BEGINNING EXPERIENCE OF EASTERN NORTH DAKOTA</u> will present "Coping with Life Alone" for widowed, divorced, or separated persons on Tuesdays, **Sept. 5 through Nov. 14**, 2023, from 6:30 to 8:30 PM. It will be held in the basement of St. Michael's Catholic Church, 524 5th Ave N, Grand Forks. There is a \$45 fee for workbooks and other supplies. Scholarships are available for those who cannot afford the fee. For information and/or to register, text or call Msgr. Daniel Pilon at 701-361-2051 or email <u>daniel.pilon@fargodiocese.org</u>.

"LIVING ONE'S VOCATION WELL" – An afternoon for single, engaged, married, or religious, following the example of the Molla Family. Sunday, September 24, Saint Gianna & Pietro Molla Maternity Home will be celebrating the Molla's wedding anniversary with an afternoon (1-4 pm) of inspiration and recollection to grow in holiness through the couple's heroic example. At Saint Stanislaus Catholic Church in Warsaw, ND, the celebration will include individual relic blessings, veneration, and prayers (1-2 pm); a talk by Fr. Joseph Christensen, FMI (2-3 pm); Eucharistic Holy Hour (3-4 pm); and will conclude with refreshments and a social in the church basement.

<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>BINGO</u> at St. Mary's Church hall, Park River, **Oct. 1 & 29**, and Christmas Bingo on **Dec. 10**. All at 2:00pm. Cash & assorted prizes. \$5. per card. 20 games.

FALL DINNERS: St. Brigid's, Cavalier, Sun., Sept. 17, 11:30am-2:00pm. Dine in or take out.

St. Mary's, Grand Forks, Sun., **Sept. 24**, 11:30am-2:30pm. Chicken, dressing, meatballs, potatoes, green beans, coleslaw. 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. Sacred Heart, Minto, Sun., **Nov. 5**, 11:00am-2:00pm at the Minto Community Center. Meatballs, ham, potatoes, desserts.

MINTO

THANK YOU for the following donation: Sacred Heart Cemetery: In memory of Robert "Robbie" Votava by Deb Slominski.

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. 27. Donations received after the Oct. 27 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.

<u>PARISH LIBRARY:</u> All are welcome to visit the parish library at Sacred Heart Church and to check out books. The library is located in the classroom/ramp room south of the dining room. There are directions on how to check out books and a clipboard to sign them out. There are many books that are duplicates of the ones in the Adoration Chapel that you are able to sign out. If questions, please call the church office at 248-3589.

<u>SEPTEMBER CHURCH CLEANING:</u> Lead: Sandy Gerszewski. Charlene Altendorf, Curtis & Sandy Gerszewski, Josh & Nicole Hefta, John & Gloria Mozinski, Carol Osowski, Don Schanilec, Melvin & Cathy Tibert.

WARSAW

<u>SEPTEMBER CHURCH CLEANING:</u> Lead: Roger & Yvonne Feltman. Gary & Bev Slominski, Wayne Feltman, Jodi Osowski.