

October 8, 2017

**Ordinary Time**  
**Twenty-seventh Sunday**



**Caring for God's Vine**

**In the gospel, we find Jesus once again sparring with the religious leaders of the people. He challenges them with another parable about a vineyard. Not only have they been unfaithful to their mission as stewards, but they have often persecuted and killed those whom the Lord had sent to them.**

Today's Bulletin is sponsored  
in memory of The Hermes & Mica Families.

**MASS INTENTIONS**  
Saturday, October 14  
2:30 p.m. Berckenhoff – Wenske Wedding  
6:30 p.m. K.J.Z.T. Society #14  
Sunday, October 15  
6:30 a.m. Sophie & August Kasper  
9:30 a.m. Catholic Daughters Court #2018

**PREPARING FOR SUNDAY LITURGY**  
Next weekend is *The Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time*. Prepare for the liturgy by reflecting on these passages from your Bible.  
**First Reading: Isaiah 25:6-10a**  
**Responsorial Psalm: 23**  
**Second Reading: Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20**  
**Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14**

**PLEASE NOTE**  
**Parish Office Hours next week will be 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.** Monday – Thursday. Mary Lou will be out of the office but someone will be available to take messages, etc. Non-emergency requests will be taken care of when Mary Lou returns.  
**\* For any Pastoral emergency call the Parish Office at any time.**

  
**WEDDING BANNS**  
*Amanda Lynn Berckenhoff & Christian Mark Wenske*

The Sanctuary Light will be lit this week  
in memory of Lillie & Henry Dornak.

**FEAST OF ALL SAINTS AND ALL SOULS**

**November 1<sup>st</sup> – The Feast of All Saints**  
We celebrate all those men and women whose lives in some way mirrored the Paschal Mystery of Christ on a profound level.  
**Mass Schedule:** Praha – 5:30 p.m.  
**Moulton – 7:00 p.m.**

**November 2<sup>nd</sup> – The Feast of All Souls**  
On this day we make expiation for the dead. We pray for the forgiveness of all their sins, that God may bring them to himself to join the Saints.  
**Mass Schedule:**  
Praha – Blessing of the Graves at 5:00 p.m.  
Mass at 5:30 p.m.  
**Moulton – Mass at 7:00 p.m.**  
**Blessing of the graves after Mass.**

**All Souls Commemoration**  
During the month of November we remember our dead. Remembrance candles will be lit during the weekend Masses for them. Use the attached All Souls envelope, fill in the names of your beloved, and drop the envelope in the collection basket or mail slot at the rectory by Oct. 31.

**ST. JOSEPH'S MEMORIAL FUND**  
*In Memory of Pauline Welfl: Mary Lou Dierschke*

**ST. JOSEPH'S CEMETERY FUND**  
*In Memory of Pauline Welfl*  
*Lorene & Dennis Fishbeck Shirley Welfl*

**RESURRECTION CHAPEL FUND**  
*In Memory of Pauline Welfl*  
*Vera Berckenhoff*  
*Amanda & Jarrett Long*  
*Kaylene & Leon Berckenhoff*  
*Becky & Michael Berckenhoff & Family*

**ST. JOSEPH'S SOCIAL CENTER COMMITTEE**  
Fr. Gabriel has formed a committee to study the feasibility of building a social center. The building would be for all purposes including Church Picnics. Members of the committee are: Kristi Anderle, Troy Barta, Kevin Bartos, Mary Lou Dierschke, Harvey Kloesel, Faith Nichols-Neskora and Rodney Petrek. They will be meeting soon. If anyone has any input in the Center contact a committee member.

**THE WEEK AHEAD**  
MONDAY – Altar Society Meeting, 2 p.m., Family Room  
– Gold Star Club Meets, 3:30-5:30 p.m., YMC  
WEDNESDAY – Christian Mothers Prayers, Family Room  
– Champions Club Meets, 3:30-5:30 p.m., YMC  
THURSDAY – KC Bingo, 7:30 p.m., Moulton Oaks Hall  
FRIDAY – Parish Office closed on Fridays. For any Pastoral emergency call the Parish Office at any time.

## REFLECTION

### *A People Chosen To Bear Fruit*

The first reading and the gospel describe attempts at deliberately destroying God's plan for the Kingdom. God worked tirelessly to ensure that the vineyard/kingdom would thrive and be a source of enjoyment and prosperity. Despite all God's plans and effort it produced an unacceptable crop, wild grapes. There was no mistake on God's part. God was in no way remiss in planting or tending. The vineyard was rebellious. In the gospel, however, the fault is not with the vineyard. It produced an abundant crop. Those who were trusted stewards turned out to be *traitorous usurpers*. They wanted the vineyard for themselves and were willing to use any means to acquire it in order to exercise control over it.

It is therefore appropriate that God would snatch it out of their grasp and entrust the vineyard to those who will faithfully carry out God's plans.

Jesus follows the parable by assuring the chief priests and elders that the Kingdom of God will be taken away from them, just as the vineyard was taken away from the servants. In the end, God's plan will prevail.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

- Oct. 8 – Clayton Chaloupka, Tiffany Simper
- Oct. 9 – George Holub Sr., Jerome Raabe Jr.
- Oct. 11 – Daniel Beyer, David Beyer, Bryan Filipp,  
Aaron Gaertner, Gabriella Perry, Irene Portales
- Oct. 12 – Kristi Anderle, Lillian Fojtik
- Oct. 13 – Frank Nieto
- Oct. 14 – Baron Hanzel

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

- Oct. 8 – Congratulations Karen & Calvin Pilat  
on your 40<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary  
– Congratulations Mildred & William Pilat  
on your 70<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary
- Oct. 9 – Congratulations Kathy & Michael Seale  
on your 35<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary  
– Mary Alice & Randy Lewkoski
- Oct. 11 – Linda & Michael Mikulencak  
– Lisa & David Rothbauer
- Oct. 13 – Ollie & Alfred Haikenwaelder  
– Terri & Scott Filipp



Congratulations  
**Gernadette & Phillip Geissen**  
on your Silver Wedding Anniversary  
October 10, 2017

*The Picnic Report is available at the Church entrance.*

## WELCOME

We welcome Fr. Anthony Pesek to St. Joseph's. Fr. Pesek will be celebrating the Masses at Moulton & Praha this weekend.

## Cross Catholic Outreach

Fr. Joseph Westfall of Cross Catholic will be visiting our parish next weekend to speak at all the Masses on behalf of the poor in developing countries. Cross Catholic Outreach was founded to create a meaningful link between parishes in America and the priests and nuns working in the Church overseas in the Caribbean, Africa, Asia, Central and South America.

## THANK YOU !

Dear Friends,

Thanks be to God for another successful Picnic. Everything turned out well. What a wonderful show of support of the community and of the friends of the parish. It was such a blessing to see everybody working hard for a successful day.

Congratulations to the chicken fryers, stew cooks, the kitchen staff, the dishwashers and all who had a hand in the preparation and serving of the food. The plates-to-go line run like clockwork. The chairpersons of the various booths organized their booths very well. The auction was sensational this year. The calves went for good prices. I thank the people who for years generously donate a calf every year as well as the newcomers who donated a calf. The quilts were beautiful and it was a delight to see how people were bidding on them. Thanks to the quilters for the many hours of hard work. The many valuable items donated to the auction are an indication of how generous people are.

Words are not enough to express my gratefulness to all of you for your hard work and generosity. Many of you went beyond the call of duty to make it all come together. You love your Church and it shows. Your support means a lot to me. I THANK YOU.

God bless,

## YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

**Today** – C.C.D.

**Oct 9** – After School Program, K-2<sup>nd</sup> Grade

**Oct. 11** – After School Program, 3<sup>rd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> Grades  
– 9<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> Grade C.C.D.

**Oct. 14** – 10<sup>th</sup> Grade Leads the Saturday Evening Rosary  
**Next Sunday** – C.C.D.

### **Youth Ministry Fund**

*In Memory of Pauline Welfl*

*Kathy & Dcn. Kenneth Fishbeck*

*In Memory of Lillie & Henry Dornak*

*Sheri & Glenn Grohmann*