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SEPTEMBER 13, 2015
TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY OF
ORDINARY TIME

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Mass Intentions for
September 15 – September 20

Tuesday.....5:15 pm at Parkersburg
Wednesday....8:00 am at Reinbeck
Thursday..... 8:00 am at Reinbeck
Friday.....7:30 am at Parkersburg
Saturday.....5:30 pm at Parkersburg
Sunday.....9:30 am at Reinbeck

Intention for
Berneita Neubauer
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Lois Stephan
Thelma Wilmer
Diane Wagenaar
For the People

SOMETHING MORE – In the context of Peter's response that Jesus is the Christ, Jesus gives a corrective and a reality check. Jesus may indeed be the Christ, the long-awaited Messiah, but he will bear the limitations and sufferings of the people from whom he comes and for whom he has been sent.

Peter pulls Jesus aside and reprimands him. Jesus quickly grabs the attention of all the disciples and says directly to Peter, "Get behind me Satan." That'll stop you in your tracks. "You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do." God has a different plan for the Messiah. Not a path of status and privilege, but a life of daily toil and suffering.

Jesus then summons the crowd along with the disciples. He says to all, "Whoever wishes to come after me must first deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me."

"Who do you say that I am now?" Christ asks us. Our response must be: "You are the Christ, who is also one of us. You suffer and die with us as you transform us and redeem us."

Baptism unites us with Christ and his mission. Through faith we are identified with Christ, who saves us. Through our actions, we follow Christ by meeting the needs of our sisters and brothers, as we read in the Letter of James today.

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME *FOCUS:*
Believers will not be abandoned as they take up their cross and follow Jesus.

Jesus suffered and died for the sake of our salvation. Each of us is called to take up our cross and follow him. We can take comfort, however, knowing that Jesus will not ask us to carry a burden we cannot bear. He watches over us with an everlasting love.

AND STILL MORE – In today's Gospel, Jesus heads for Jerusalem, where death awaits him. Some who walked with him did not understand who Jesus really was. They left him because of what true discipleship required.

Civil War-era clergyman Henry Ward Beecher famously said, "It is not what we take up, but that what makes us rich." Remember it was the rich man who was unwilling to sell his possessions and give the money to the poor.

So Jesus asks Peter, "Who do people say that I am?" He tells them that if they are willing to lose their lives for his sake and the sake of the Gospel, they will thereby save their present lives-and receive the gift of everlasting life. The twelve were ready. They had already given up their former way of life by abandoning their boats in the harbor.

Peter speaks for them, declaring to Jesus, "You are the Christ." There really was no other place to go.

OUR SOCIAL JUSTICE SEPTEMBER PROJECT: Parkersburg Clothes Closet. Thanks to everyone who supported our Soles 4 Souls campaign. This month we are collecting new socks and underwear for the Parkersburg Clothes Closet. These items are most needed, according to our parish member, Mary Schwennen, who has run the Clothes Closet for many years with her family and friends, donating a night each week to assist area families in need. You may deposit the socks and underwear for all ages, toddlers to adult, in our new collection boxes at each church. Contributions are welcome as well. Make your donation payable to HFP and designate it for the Clothes Closet. Bless you!

The CROP Walk is coming to two locations near you! You may participate by walking Sept. 20 in Grundy Center by meeting behind the high school at 1:45 p.m. or Sept. 27 in Reinbeck by meeting at 1 p.m. at Gutnecht Park. Join the effort to raise money for those in need of food and water. Can't walk? Donate to the special collection next weekend, Sept. 19/20. Pray for those who have no daily bread. Call Cheryl Osterhaus for more information at 319-824-6788

Operation Threshold is in need of cleaning supplies - dishwashing soap, laundry detergent, disinfectant wipes, paper towels, etc

Just Ahead

- ❖ Holy Family Circle Mtg, Sunday, September 13 after Mass
- ❖ Couples of Faith, Sunday, September 13, 4:30 – 7:00 pm
- ❖ Faith Formation, Wednesday, September 16, 6:30 pm both locations

St. Patrick, Parkersburg location

Confession each Saturday beginning at 4:45 pm for 30 minutes
Faith Formation with Mass Wed. Sept. 16, 6:30 pm

Income Weekend September 6, 2015

Adult Budget \$ 4928.00 Needed \$ 5,154.00
Annual Adult Budget \$ 268,000.00

St. Gabriel, Reinbeck location

Confession each Sunday beginning at 8:45 am for 30 minutes
Faith Formation Wed. Sept. 16, 6:30 pm

Other Announcements

The Archdiocesan **Our Call to Share** collection will be taken up in our parish on the weekend of September 19-20. This is a combination of collections including: Missions (World Missions, Home Missions, Black and Indian Missions, and Archdiocesan Hispanic Ministry), Catholic University of America and the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. Each parishioner will receive a brochure and offertory envelope in the mail. On the offertory envelope you will have the choice of having your contribution divided according to need among the collections or you may designate how you would like your contribution distributed. Please be as generous as possible and remember these important efforts of the mission of the Church in your prayers.

HOLY FAMILY CIRCLE wants to remind everyone that DECEMBER 5 will be our annual HOLIDAY CANDY & COOKIE SALE ! We will also have a craft table and would appreciate any items you would like to donate. More info will be coming in the next few months. Thanks to all who help with this. HOLY FAMILY CIRCLE will be having a VETERANS SEW DAY on September 16 from 8:00-1:00. We will be making lap covers, small blankets, ditty bags and wheel chair bags. Please come and share your talents on this day. We can use all helpers from sewers to coffee makers come and enjoy the fellowship. Call Elaine with questions (345-2090, 404-3706)

NCYC Reminder: Another payment due in September for \$210. Mark your calendars for Sunday, September 20th at 5 pm. We will be meeting in Parkersburg to select hats, trade items and socialize. Dinner provided. Please contact Amy Dall with questions.

Faith Formation--Registration available online, at www.myschoolsystems.com/ArchDBQ/DBQ169. If you are in need of your user name and password, please contact Alyssa in the office. Paper forms are also available on the parish website, or in the narthex of either church. Our fees will remain the same, \$55 for one child or \$70 for family. We are unable to accept online payment at this time, so please pay in the office. If you are in need of financial assistance, please contact the office. Thank you!!

Couples of Faith We are very excited to begin the **3rd year** of our Marriage Enrichment program. Our speakers, Deacon Gary & Kay Aitchison of St. Cecilia Parish in Ames will be speaking on “Your Marriage - The Great Adventure” All married and engaged couples are welcome to attend and bring friends! Our first date night will be Sunday **September 13th from 4:30 to 7pm in St. Gabriel Hall**. Meal, beverages and child care ALL provided! Join us for food, fellowship and faith!! **RSVP** to cnorth3412@gmail.com, or [319-215-6118](tel:319-215-6118).

Nicaragua HFP Layette Project The HFP Circle have completed 30 bags and made 90 receiving blankets to go in the bags. On September 14-17 at 3:30-9:00 in Waterloo they will be packing these items and others to be sent overseas. We would like to have a group to go over and help with this. If interested contact Elaine Folkerts or Janine Stewart. We will car pool from the church together.

Free Reinbeck Community Pancake Breakfast, October 17th, 2015 The breakfast committee is asking for volunteers from the Reinbeck Area Churches to help at the event. If you are interested in volunteering your time, contact the Methodist Church, Reinbeck or Kyle Rasmussen, 952-540-7374. Watch your bulletin for more details to follow.

Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive The local council of the Knights of Columbus will be conducting their annual Tootsie Roll Drive after Mass on September 26th & 27th. Proceeds from the drive benefit persons of Intellectual Disabilities. Past projects supported have included River Hills School and local Special Olympics events. Your support is appreciated. The Knights are always welcoming new members to share camaraderie among men of the parish as well as conduct projects to meet parish needs and other worthy causes. For information on becoming a Knight contact bojecker@gmail.com and more information will be provided. Your consideration to join the Knights is greatly appreciated.

Anyone of Any Age is welcome to take a MagnifiKid weekly mass handout located by the missalettes. Fantastic information for all ages: All readings and prayers of the Sunday Mass with explanation of words and meanings of rituals, a daily prayer adapted from the Liturgy of the Hours, Many suggestions on how to live the entire week with the Lord, various games, a comic and activities to help your child learn about Christian Life and Culture, and a parent’s guide with suggestions for family prayers.

	September 19	September 20
Accompanist	Lyndsay	Judie Krebsbach
Cantor	Linda	Don Osterhaus
Extraordinary	Greg Lievens	Greg Lievens (D), Brenda Davis*, Joe Davis
Ministers	Cam Coy	Patti Jacobi, Cheryl Osterhaus*, Amy Dall
Of Holy	Julie Dunn*	Reno Rodeghiero, Ben Dall, Elaine Folkerts
Communion		Kathy Juel, Leon Christensen, *Bill & Shirley Rogers
Greet	Chad & Nikki Schipper	Don & Rita Schmidt, Greg & Brenda Snider
Gifts	Marty & Kate Petersen	Mike & Linda Williams, Wilbur Kielly
Reader 1	Tamara Tingle	Jim Selenke
Reader 2	Tamara Tingle	Debrann Scott
Server	Sam Badger	Claire Folkerts, Connor Luhring
Server	Cooper Hoff	Joe Folkert
Usher	Don & Mary Ann Bergman	Max Girres, Justin Nicklaus, Rosanne Girres
Usher		Dale Greiner, Denny Greiner, Ron Hayek
Video		David Martens
Sacristan / MC /Announcements	Becky Lievens	Rose Kramer/Kathy Juel/Diane Stephan
Collection Counters	Bob & Peg Neavins/Richard & Cam Coy	Greg & Brenda Snider, Helen O’Connor, Larry Krebsbach