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28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Mass Intentions for
Oct 17 – Oct 22

| | <u>Intention for</u> |
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| Tuesday.....5:15 pm at Parkersburg | Dec Priests of Archdiocese |
| Wednesday.....8:00 am at Reinbeck | Sam Biersner |
| Thursday.....8:00 am at Reinbeck | Arlene Grundmeier |
| Friday.....7:30 am at Parkersburg | Hilda Kucera |
| Saturday.....5:30 pm at Parkersburg | Don & Lois Stephan |
| Sunday.....9:30 am at Reinbeck | For the People |

Something more..... Living in pure abundance can lead to selfishness, dissatisfaction and constant want where there is no room for compassion or empathy. Both extremes are absent of happiness. Those who have much are called to share and let go; those who have little, deserve more.

Paul's counsel to the Philippians in the second reading is a call of trust, solidarity and fairness — components we may not typically equate with living a happy life. Ultimately, Paul urges us to trust in God's love and live according to God's call to balance and solidarity.

Happiness is also found when we embrace equality. Contrary to the social reality of the times, in Matthew's Gospel, Jesus paints the kingdom of God as a feast of equals — equal in status; equal in dignity. We are all called to work towards this kingdom of equals. We have all been given an invitation to the table yet it is up to us to accept. If we choose to accept this invitation, if we embrace this radical notion that all are equal, that all of us have a place at the table, then the happiness and contentment that will follow will be similar to what we will experience in God's kingdom.

"The feast is ready ... Go out, therefore, into the main roads and invite to the feast whomever you find." The servants went out into the streets and gathered all they found, bad and good alike, and the hall was filled with guests.

To be happy, to be content, to be fulfilled — it is up to us to embrace the cycle of scarcity and abundance, to walk with our neighbor on the margins, to stand for equality. This is our call. Will we accept?

FOCUS: *We must be prepared to heed God's loving call.*

Today's readings provide both comfort and challenge. We are reminded that God is gracious and merciful, forgiving our sins and providing for our needs. But we must actively listen for his call and heed it when it comes, lest we be unprepared to enter the heavenly kingdom and join in the eternal wedding feast.

Social Justice Committee the social justice committee is accepting items for the Parkersburg Clothes Closet. New socks and underwear are needed as well as gently used coats, snow pants, and boots. They have an abundance of hats and gloves so they are not needed at the present time. Thank you for your generosity.

Beauty in Christ Mark your calendars for the Archdiocesan 2018 Women's Conference Beauty in Christ, January 27, at the Doubletree Hilton in Cedar Rapids. Invite your friends, sisters, mother, and daughters to this exciting event! Registration is now open: www.archwomensconference.org.

Iowa Bible Reading Marathon This year for Grundy County we will be reading October 20 and 21st at the Grundy County Courthouse beginning at 8:00 a.m. and concluding at 6:00 p.m. Volunteers are needed during this 2-day event. All ages and denominations welcome! We are asking you to bring your own Bible and a lawn chair as there will be many readers in various parts of the courthouse grounds. Check-in at the gazebo upon your arrival for your portion of scripture. Volunteers can confirm by contacting us at: d_pgreiner@reinbeck.net; Pat (319) 269-2091 or Carene (319) 269-5601.

Office will be closed on Tuesday, October 17 for a Pastoral Leadership Study Day.

Income Weekend October 8, 2017
Weekly Collection \$ 3,224.00 Needed \$ 4,750.00
Income YTD as of September 30, 2017
Total Collections \$ 59,721.00 Total Budgeted \$61,500.00
Annual Adult Budget Needed \$275,000.00

Please have bulletin announcements into the office by Thursday at 3:00 pm

Just Ahead

Elem Liturgy, Sunday, Oct 22
Confirmation Session, after Mass, Sunday, Oct 22

St. Patrick, Parkersburg location

Confessions: 1st & 3rd Saturday at 4:45 pm or by Appt.
Faith Formation, Wed, Oct 18, 6:30 – 7:45 pm

St. Gabriel, Reinbeck location

Confessions: 1st & 3rd Sunday at 8:45 am or by Appt.
Faith Formation, Wed, Oct 18, 6:30 – 7:45 pm

HFP Prayer Chain Contacts:

By Email: Greg Lievens, dbq169D@dbqarch.org
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Other Announcements

Holy Family Parish Fall Festival

Thank you to those who have signed up to help at our 2017 Fall Festival. We are still needing many volunteers to make this a successful event. This is our parish's biggest fundraiser and your participation is appreciated. We have many areas where volunteers are still needed. We will have childcare available during the festival to accommodate volunteers with young children. If you are able to volunteer, please see the sign-up sheets in the church narthex. To volunteer online, visit Volunteer Spot or contact the co-chairs. We are also requesting anyone who is able to donate homemade goods or crafts for our Country Store to contact Susie Hook at 319-240-8236.

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Grundy Center Lions Club Blood Drive will be Thursday, October 19, from 12:30 pm to 6:00 pm at the Grundy Center Community Center, 705 F Ave. To make an appointment, contact John Kramer at 319-825-6246 or visit

The ACCW Waterloo Deanery will meet Monday, October 23, St Mary of Mount Carmel in Eagle Center. The evening begins with Mass at 5:00 pm, followed by a potluck supper and meeting. Any questions or further information, please contact Margaret Babinat at 319-479-2753.

New Piano Update: We owe a huge thank you to parishioners and guests of St. Gabriel who made contributions toward the new piano or helped in any way to make the purchase possible. It will be delivered this week and we are excited to hear wonderful music coming from it and the parish as we praise God for His blessings. We are planning a short piano/choir concert in early December so if you are taking piano lessons and would like to play a short piece or Christmas carol please let the office know. We will have more details later but we welcome elementary, middle school and high school students to participate and have a chance to play the new piano. Thank you so much!! We have a very supportive and active parish!! Happy Music Abounds!!

Holiday Cookie Walk & Candy Sale the Holy Family Circle's annual Cookie Walk will be on December 9th (one week later than usual but just for this year). We will again be having craft tables for vendors. All items are welcome! More information will follow as this date gets closer. Thank you for supporting this event. Any questions please contact Elaine Folkerts, 319-404-3706, ddemfolks@aol.com

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

Catholic Worker House in need of – disposable shavers, deodorant & Cleaners. **Please put in Collection Box in Conference Room**

| | Oct 21 | Oct 22 |
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| Accompanist | Steven | Rita Duchenwald |
| Cantor | Kyle | Don Osterhaus |
| Extraordinary | Mary Schwennen | Cynthia Becker, Georgia Bennett, Amy Dall |
| Ministers | Tamara Tingle* | Mary Linder, Sue Messerly*, Barb Melloy, Tim Melloy |
| Of Holy | Ashlee Tott | Rick Ogle, Mike Williams, Linda Williams |
| Communion | | Rick Nilles, Max & Rosanne Girres* |
| Greet | Dennis & Sherry Gaul | Elementary Liturgy |
| Gifts | Jeff & Ashlee Tott | Elementary Liturgy |
| Reader 1 | Kate Petersen | Elementary Liturgy |
| Reader 2 | | Elementary Liturgy |
| Server | Gannon Oberhauser | Elementary Liturgy |
| Server | Camden Tott | Elementary Liturgy |
| Usher | Kelly Etjen | Elementary Liturgy |
| Usher | Chuck Etjen | Elementary Liturgy |
| Video | | Dave Martens |
| Sacristan / MC /Announcements | Angie Oberhauser | Judy Kershaw / Mary Linder / Amy Dall |
| Collection Counters | Kyle Tingle | Margie Glick, John Kramer, Bill & Shirley Rogers |