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TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY OF
ORDINARY TIME

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Mass Intentions for
October 20– October 25

Tuesday.....Fr. David gone	Fr. David gone
Wednesday....Fr. David gone	Monday thru
Thursday..... Fr. David gone	Thursday
Friday.....7:30 am at Parkersburg	Dec. Members of Parish
Saturday.....5:30 pm at Parkersburg	For the People
Sunday.....9:30 am at Reinbeck	LuAnn Shreck

SOMETHING MORE – Today's readings touch the very core of the good news of salvation. First, in highlighting the disciples misguided ambition, Mark reminds us that the church is always susceptible to the temptation to use religion as a ladder to power of social status – and that such climbing is always a perversion of our vocation to serve.

Isaiah's presentation of the suffering servant invites us to remember that God's ways are not our ways and to strive to recognize the suffering servants in our midst and learn God's ways from them.

Hebrews follows Isaiah's teaching of transformation, expresses itself through weakness rather than in strength. It reminds us that it was Christ's passing through death that made him the high priest who returned as the guarantor of mercy. Most of all, this selection from Hebrews insists that humility is the pathway to the grace that will give us all the strength we need for whatever our day asks of us.

Each of these messages offers a vantage point on the good news of salvation. Together, they keep us aware that God's ways among us are not what we at first desire. Nevertheless, God's surprising grace active in our midst works transformations that we will eventually recognize, in the words of Paul, as for more than we could have asked or imagined.

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FOCUS: Jesus calls us to lay down our lives in humble service to God and neighbor.

In today's Gospel, Jesus teaches that he did not come to be served by others. Rather, he came to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many through his ultimate sacrifice. This means that all those who sincerely aspire to live as disciples of Jesus must be willing to lay down their lives in love and service to others.

AND STILL MORE – When our Pope chose the name Francis, he set about rebuilding the church just as Francis of Assisi was called to do when he was praying in the chapel of San Damiano. Our Pope immediately began demonstrating a servant leadership style of humility, simplicity and concern for the poor. His papacy is a brilliant teaching of today's Gospel.

Since he first stepped onto the Vatican balcony and asked us to pray for him, we have watched Francis slowly nudging the Church onto a new path where the last are first, the humble are exalted and the exalted are humbled. The Word of God alive in our midst.

OUR SOCIAL JUSTICE OCTOBER PROJECT: Parkersburg Clothes Closet. This month we are continuing to collect 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. 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!

Apple Pickers Needed!! Middle School & High School students are being asked to help with apple picking at a parishioner's house on Sunday, October 25th. We will leave St. Gabriel at 1:45 that day and will plan to return around 4:30. If you would like to help, please let Amy Dall know by Thursday, 22nd. A field trip release form will need to be filled out for any student helping. (friends are welcome)

Father David will be gone from Monday, October 19 thru Thursday, October 22. If you need assistance, Please contact Deacon Greg, 319-240-0840, or Deacon John, 319-239-5728

Income Weekend October 11, 2015
Adult Budget \$ 4,841.00 Needed \$ 5,154.00
Annual Adult Budget \$ 268,000.00

Just Ahead

- ❖ Elementary Liturgy, October 24/25, both locations
- ❖ NCYC Mtg. Sunday, October 25, after Mass @ R
If unable to attend, please contact Amy Dall
- ❖ Trunk or Treat, Wednesday, October 28, 6:30 pm @ R
- ❖ KC Mtg. Thursday, Oct. 29, 7pm @ R

St. Patrick, Parkersburg location

Confession each Saturday beginning at 4:45 pm for 30 minutes
Faith Formation, Wednesday, October 21, 6:30 - 7:45 pm

St. Gabriel, Reinbeck location

Confession each Sunday beginning at 8:45 am for 30 minutes
Faith Formation, Wednesday, October 21, 6:30 - 7:45 pm
1st Reconciliation Parents Mtg. Sunday, Oct. 18, after Mass

Other Announcements

Congratulations to Nathan Stoss and Nicole VanderPol who were united in the sacrament of matrimony on Friday, October 9 at St. Gabriel Church, in Reinbeck. May God bless your union as it serves as a beautiful symbol of His love for each of you.

Knights of Columbus of Iowa Retreat November 6-8, 2015 *“When the power of love overcomes the love of power, there will be peace.”* **Retreat Director: Father Mel Hemann** Father Mel was ordained 1/31/59 for the Archdiocese of Dubuque. He has served as an Associate Pastor, a member of several Team Ministries in the Archdiocese, Pastor and Director of the Archdiocesan Family Life Office. During most of his fifty plus priestly years he has been involved locally and nationally in a and retreat director wide variety of marriage and family life programs. Over the years he has frequently been a workshop presenter throughout the country. In addition to his priestly calling, Mel’s other passion is flying and he continues his pursuit to break the surly bonds of earth to touch the face of God. **Suggested Donation:** AMRH requests an offering of \$135.00 per person for the weekend. A \$25.00 deposit secures your reservation and is credited to your offering for the retreat. **(Begins 8:00 p.m. Friday and ends on Sunday with lunch)**

Fall Festival The envelopes with the Fall Raffle Tickets have been mailed. You are welcome to sell to your friends and family or buy them yourselves. Additional tickets will be available in the back of each location and in the church office should you want to sell more. Remember this is our big fundraiser! We are looking for co-chairs to head up Fall Festival 2016. If you are interested, contact Kate Petersen 319-415-7792 or Beth Bruns 319-239-5174.



Trunk or Treat will be held as our Faith Formation Family Activity on October 31st at 6:30 pm at St. Gabriel. We will begin with a Prayer Service, students are encouraged to wear costumes, we ask that you remove masks or hoods during the service. Trunk or Treating will follow; we ask that vehicles participating in Trunk or Treat please park on the lower level in Reinbeck. Refreshments, crafts and games will be offered. A similar night of fun will also be offered in Parkersburg, possibly with a movie, crafts and treats! If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Alyssa in the office. Trunk or Treat is a Halloween event where people gather and park their cars in a large parking lot. They open their trunks, or the backs of their vehicles, and decorate them. Then, they pass out candy from their trunks. The event provides a safe family environment for trick or treaters. The parking lot will be roped off, so kids can safely go from place to place, showing their costumes and collecting treats. This will be fun for all, whether you are bringing kids to trunk or treat, or would like to decorate your trunk and hand out candy! From babies on up to grandpas and grandmas, there is something for everyone!! What a fun way to spend the evening as a family!

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. Call Elaine with questions (345-2090, 404-3706)

NCYC We have 19 youth and 5 adults who will be traveling to Indianapolis to the National Catholic Youth Conference in November. Please keep our group in your prayers!!

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

Fall Bible Series at St. Patrick Church, Cedar Falls Fr. Dennis Colter will again offer a fall series of bible reflections. They will begin Oct. 8 at 6:30 pm and continue each Thursday through Nov. 19, with the exception of Nov. 5. The first session will be in the St. Patrick Commons. Bring any bible. The sessions do not depend on one another so you can come to as many or few as you wish. Sessions will involve not just an explanation of content and context but also some personal witness on my part.

Meals-on-Wheels Volunteers needed in Parkersburg to deliver Meals-on-Wheels on Wednesdays during the month of October. Sign-up sheet is in the back of the church.

	October 24	October 25
Accompanist	Sarah	Judie Krebsbach, Susan Halbach
Cantor	Clara, Marty	Don Osterhaus, Choir
Extraordinary	Greg Lievens,	Greg Lievens (D), Kathy Juel, Julie Grunklee*
Ministers	Tamara Tingle*	Ann O'Connor, Ron Hayek, Bobbi Petersen
Of Holy	Mary Schwennen	Judy Jewett, Reno Rodeghiero, Tim Melloy
Communion		Rick Nilles, Amy Seitz*
Greet	Elementary Liturgy	Elementary Liturgy
Gifts	Elementary Liturgy	Elementary Liturgy
Reader 1	Elementary Liturgy	Elementary Liturgy
Reader 2	Elementary Liturgy	Elementary Liturgy
Server	Elementary Liturgy	Elementary Liturgy
Server	Elementary Liturgy	Elementary Liturgy
Usher	Elementary Liturgy	Elementary Liturgy
Usher	Elementary Liturgy	Max Girres, Roseanne Girres
Video		Mike Rickert
Sacristan / MC /Announcements	Becky Lievens	Carol Garwood/Kathy Zeiner/Diane Stephan
Collection Counters	Kyle & Tamara Tingle	Ron & Colleen Pappas, Joe Davis, Diane Stephan