

The Solemnity of the Most Holy
Body and Blood of Christ

June 14th, 2020

“The Lord feeds them with finest wheat!”

ST. JOSEPH’S & ST. MICHAEL’S CHURCH

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Office Hrs.: Office will be closed to the public until further notice. Messages and emails will be checked Mon, Tue, Thurs. from 9 am to 2 pm.

Fr. Popp will now be celebrating MASSES during the week and weekends with the congregation of St. Joseph’s and St. Michael’s parishioners.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 15-21, 2020

Tuesday, June 16

8:00 a.m. Pierz +Roger Przybilla

Wednesday, June 17

8:00 a.m. Buckman +Stephanie Malinowski, and +Celesta “Sally” Meyer

Thursday, June 18

8:00 a.m. Buckman +Keith Winzenburg

Friday, June 19

8:00 a.m. Pierz +Otto R. Wuellner, and +Marcia M. Athman

8:30 a.m. Buckman Word/Communion Service

3:00-6:00 p.m. Pierz Eucharistic Adoration

Saturday, June 20

4:30 p.m. Pierz +Sue Hoheisel

Sunday, June 21 – (Pierz Mass recorded and posted on website at 11 a.m.)

8:00 a.m. Pierz +Marvin & Lydia Hoheisel

10:00 a.m. Buckman For the People of the Parishes

ST. MICHAEL’S WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP:

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| Adult | \$ 3,505.00 |
| High School | \$ 20.00 |
| Elementary | \$ 43.00 |
| Plate | \$ 32.00 |
| | \$ 3,600.00 |

Thank you for your generosity!

Mass attendance **June 7th Sun.** - 115

ST. JOSEPH’S WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP:

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| Adult | \$ 6,950.00 |
| High School | \$ 2.00 |
| Elementary | \$ 12.50 |
| Plate | \$ 129.00 |
| | \$ 7,093.50 |

Thank you for your generosity!

Mass attendance **June 6th Sat.** - 75

Mass attendance **June 7th Sun.** - 125

CONFESSIONS: Buckman, Thurs. - 7:30 a.m., Pierz, Sat. - 3:30 p.m. or by appt.

HOLY TRINITY CALENDAR WINNERS

June 8 – Kent & Stacy Happke, **June 9** – Dawn Gruber, **June 10** – Joanie Watercott, **June 11** – Chuck Gruber,

June 12 – Linda Wehseler, **June 13** – Russell & Amber Woitalla (\$35 Winners). **June 14** – Erich Scholl (\$75 Winner).

From the Pastoral Associate: Dear Graduates: Once again congratulations. You certainly have had the experience of having the most unique Senior Year in recent memory. I hope you have taken some of the sacrifices you have had to make with sports, trips, and other events usually associated with Senior Year and made them beneficial by offering them up to God for a cause, like the conversion of non-believers, the poor, salvations of souls, someone’s healing, or something like that. You can still do it. There are no deadlines in regards to prayer offerings. In some ways, this class may be more prepared than most for the future. You know that life can be unpredictable. You know that things do not always go as planned. You can perhaps take the opportunity to be wiser than your predecessors. Instead of saying with such certitude, “I am going to do _____ in the future,” you can perhaps be wiser and more Christian and say something more like, “Lord willing, I am going to do _____ in the future.” Seniors, I leave you with our unofficial family motto: “Remember life is an adventure, and that is OK if you remember who is in control, especially if you let Him.” Don’t live a typical ho-hum American life. Live the adventure, live a life of a committed Christian, feeding on God’s Word and partaking of the Body and Blood of Christ at Mass, praying and keeping God first in your life, and I guarantee you that your life will be an adventure. Congratulations! May you always live with God and not just around Him. ~~~ Michael Pekar

CONGRATULATIONS and best wishes to all of the 2020 Pierz Healy High graduating seniors, especially as they celebrate their Baccalaureate Mass. Good luck in your future!

PATRIOTIC ROSARY is Monday, June 15th at 10 am. We will be using social distancing. Bring your own booklets along and take them home with you again to use next month. This is the rosary we pray on the 15th of each month until the elections in November.

ROSARY AT THE GROTTTO: Please join the local KCs as we resume praying the Rosary at the Grotto (Corner of Hwy 25 & Hwy 27, across from Speedway) at 8 PM on Wednesdays starting June 10th. Please join us as we pray for our crops, families, community, and country. Everyone is welcome: families, couples, non-members, etc! We will maintain social distancing.

HOLY WATER: Is available in the parish office entryway.

PRAYER CHAPLETS: Prayer is the raising of one’s mind and heart to God or the requesting of good things from God. We pray with praise, petition and thanksgiving. We pray to the saints to intercede for us to God in heaven for our needs. The Christian women have made a variety of chaplets which are available at the Parish Office-Pierz entryway. Chaplets are private devotions prayed on beads. They should be prayed every day. There is Power in Prayer.

PRAYER BLANKETS: Looking for a great gift? Prayer blankets are available in the Parish Office-Pierz entryway. They can give comfort to the sick & suffering. Questions, call Kathy at 468-2105.

ST. MICHAEL'S NEWS & ACTIVITIES:

SUN., June 21st @ 8:00 a.m.

Lector: Nathan Gruber

Communion Ministers: Cindy Scholl, Donna Solinger

PRAYER LINE:

**If you are in need of prayers please call Mary Brenny 320-393-2781 or Mary Malinowski 468-6148.

**If you would like to be on the prayer line to pray for others please call Patty Commerford at 468-2487.

HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL – 468-6446

*Holy Trinity 7th Annual Golf Event. Saturday, June 27, 2020. To donate or sponsor, contact Debra @ 630-5260 or Melissa @ 360-3609. To sign up for tee time, contact Mary at Pierz Golf Club @ 468-2662.

DROP BOX AVAILABLE: There is now a locked drop box located on the wall in the breezeway of the parish office for you to leave messages, contributions/church envelopes, or anything else that needs to be dropped off for the secretaries to take care of. This will be checked every day.

Listening to the Word of God --- Body and Blood of Christ June 14th 2020 A.D.

Start with a prayer asking Jesus to be present, or sincerely pray the Our Father.

Readings can be found on

<http://www.usccb.org/bible/readings/061420.cfm>

Oral reading of the passages:

[http://ccc.usccb.org/cccradio/NABPodcasts/2020/20_06_14.m](http://ccc.usccb.org/cccradio/NABPodcasts/2020/20_06_14.mp3)
[p3](http://ccc.usccb.org/cccradio/NABPodcasts/2020/20_06_14.mp3)

Reflection on the passage from USCCB & Bishop Barron
USCCB.ORG & WORDONFIRE.ORG

Discussion Questions for different ages from google
LoyolaPress.com > Sunday Connections > grade levels

First Reading Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14B-16A

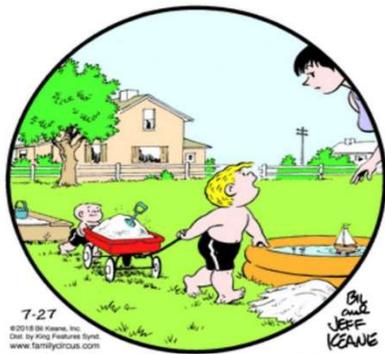
How has the Lord sustained me in my life?

Second Reading 2nd Corinthians 10:16-17

“Participating” in the Body of Blood of Christ. Not just partaking. Fill in this sentence: I am participating in the Body of Christ. Therefore, it is important that I _____.

Gospel John 6:51-58

Eating and drinking Jesus Christ is all about life. Not just physically breathing and living but fully living. It enables us to participate and flourish in the life and love of the Trinity to the fullest extent this side of the grave, so we may continue to grow in beauty on the other side of death. How would I explain the importance of the Eucharist to a non-believer?



“We’re building a beach!”

ST. JOSEPH'S NEWS AND ACTIVITIES:

SAT., June 20th @ 4:30 p.m., & SUN., June 21st @ 8:00 a.m.

Weekday Lector: – Mary Kimman

LECTORS FOR JUNE:

Sat. - Al Pekarek, & **Sun.** – Leo Wehseler

AT PEACE WITH GOD: *Arlene Smude* passed away on May 2nd. A private family graveside service with prayers took place at St. Joseph’s Catholic Cemetery in Pierz. A Memorial Mass will be held after current restrictions are lifted. We extend our sympathy to the families and assure them of our prayerful support.

GRAND RAFFLE: We are now accepting cash donations for the Grand Raffle. We will not be having a Parish Festival this year.

4th ANNUAL BUILDING & MAINTENANCE RAFFLE:

Raffle Drawing will be June 19th. Raffle tickets are still available! If you would like one, feel free to mail a check to the parish office (P.O. Box 428, Pierz, MN 56364) and we will mail the stub to you. You can also call the parish office (468-6033) and we can make arrangements for you to pick one up at the office. Also, anyone who has purchased a dinner ticket will receive a refund. Thank you for your understanding.

***KLTF RADIO/AM 960:** Dan Loscheider will be on KLTF radio, AM960, with Ron Specker Monday morning, June 15th at approximately 8:30 a.m. to discuss the Building and Maintenance Raffle. The raffle drawing will be taped on Friday, June 19th around 4:00 p.m. and will be posted on our parish website.

OLIVE WOOD: The pandemic has forced thousands of pilgrims to leave the Holy Land. In the past, when the Holy Land experienced wartime conditions, some people managed to temporarily find an economic niche outside tourism. However, the pandemic measures have affected all business sectors, including olive wood industry, and everything to shut down. Even we as Holy Land Crafts & Pilgrimage group; are unable to lend them a hand during this difficult time because of the closures here in the U.S. Because our visit to your parish this year is unpredictable, we humbly ask you to visit our website WWW.HOLYLANDCRAFTS.NET and browse through the beautiful hand carved religious items. We value your support through these unprecedented times. May God bless you and keep you safe.

Foundations of Faith Community Nursing Class, November 12, 13, 19, 20. Grace United Methodist Church, St. Cloud, Program Fee - \$450, Scholarships available, registration Deadline: 7 days prior to class, Cancellation deadline: 7 days prior to class. The Health Ministries of Central Minnesota Committee is offering scholarships of up to \$250. To apply for a scholarship or for questions about the class, please contact Annette Jesh prior to payment. Your payment will depend upon approval of a scholarship. Annette.Jesh@centracare.com or (320) 249-0280.