

ST. JOSEPH'S & ST. MICHAEL'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 21st, 2021

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Office Hours: Mon, Tue, Thurs. 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Wed. 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Closed on Fridays. Parish office number 468-6033.

Regular Mass Times for Area Community Parishes: Pastor - Fr. Jose Chettoor

St. John Nepomuk of Lastrup - Saturdays at 8p.m. and Sundays at 10:45a.m. Holy Cross Church of Harding -Sundays at 8:45a.m.

<https://stjohnslastrup.org/> 320-468-2111

<https://hardingchurch.org/> 320-468-2111

MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 21st – NOVEMBER 28th, 2021

Tuesday, November 23

8:00 a.m. Pierz +Mary Ann Kimman

9:30 a.m. Villa Word/Communion Service (*only for Residents*)

Wednesday, November 24 - HT School Mass: Mrs. Przybilla's 5th Grade Class

8:30 a.m. Pierz +Wilfred Hoheisel

7:00 p.m. Buckman +Melvin Guck (*Cooks Mass/Thanksgiving Mass*)

Thursday, November 25 – Thanksgiving Day

8:30 a.m. Pierz +Marie Stangl

9:30 a.m. Villa Word/Communion Service (*only for Residents*)

Friday, November 26

8:30 a.m. Pierz +Florentine Hartmann

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

9:30 a.m. Villa +Maureen Watcrott (*Mass only for Residents*)

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

Saturday, November 27

4:30 p.m. Pierz +Edward & Elaine Grittner

Sunday, November 28

8:00 a.m. Pierz +The deceased family members of Henry & Helen Otremba

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

ST. MICHAEL'S WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP:

Adult \$ 3,980.00

High School \$ 22.00

Elementary \$ 35.26

Plate \$ 297.00

\$ 4,334.26

Thank you for your generosity!

Mass attendance **Nov. 14th** Sunday: 193

ST. JOSEPH'S WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP:

Adult \$ 5,861.74

High School \$ 23.00

Elementary \$ 26.55

Plate \$ 435.19

\$ 6,346.48

Thank you for your generosity!

Mass attendance **Nov. 13th** Saturday 4:30p.m: 145

8:00p.m: 88

Mass attendance **Nov. 14th** Sunday: 135

CONFESSIONS: Buckman, Thurs. - 7:30 a.m.

Pierz, Sat. - 3:30 p.m. or by appt.

HOLY TRINITY CALENDAR WINNERS

November 15 – Dan & Connie Sullivan, **November 16** – Joe Loehrer, **November 17** – Ashley Stangl, **November 18** –

Bob & MaryJo Young, **November 19** – Scott Gall, **November 20** – Nick & Amy Vannurden - (\$35 Winners).

November 21 – Shawn Andrea (\$75 Winner).

From the Pastor: I wanted to share this prayer of Thanksgiving with you all and hope you have a memorable holiday spent with friends and family. “God, thank you for bringing us together today. While it's sometimes hard to make time to be together, we pray you will help us to enjoy these next few hours together. We are reminded that today is about relationships, not just a meal, but the people you have brought together. Help us to enjoy the laughter, conversations, and the memories we make on this day. Thank you for the day off that makes this possible. Thank you also for the hands that have prepared the meal, and we pray the energy we receive from it will empower us to do what is pleasing to you and speak your love, grace, and mercy to others. Amen.” ~Fr. Ken Popp

OFFICE HOURS: The parish office will be closed Thursday, November 25th in observance of Thanksgiving, as well as Friday, November 26th and will be open regular office hours on Monday, November 29th.

NOTE: There will be no adoration in Buckman on Wednesday, November 24th due to the Cooks Mass/Thanksgiving Mass scheduled at 7 p.m.

Theologies of Disability and Aging: Join us to see how God, church, and society can be reimagined when the experiences of people with disabilities become a locus for theological development. Dec. 4, from 9-11am. Free online webinar. Register: www.collegevilleMN.com/theologyday, 320-363-3560 or theologyday@csbsju.edu.

Best Advent Ever: There are things that draw you toward the light, and there are things that draw you into the darkness. So much of the world wants to draw you into the darkness of worry, fear, procrastination, negative self-talk, toxic relationships...the list goes on. This Advent, discover and choose the things that draw you to the light! Get inspiring daily video reflections sent straight to your inbox—for free. Sign up at <https://www.dynamiccatholic.com/advent.html>.

Advent Day of Reflection: Sat., Dec. 4, 9:30 a.m.–3 p.m. Talks, personal reflection, and small group sharing will help us explore our own sense of being gifted by God, who is always on the way to us. Registration is required. There is no cost for the event, but donations are gratefully accepted. For more info or to register before December 2, contact the Franciscan Life Center by emailing Christi Hartwell at chartwell@fslf.org or calling (320) 632-0680.

ST. MICHAEL'S NEWS & ACTIVITIES:

THANKSGIVING MASS: (Wed., Nov. 24th @ 7:00 p.m.)

Lector: Nathan Gruber

Communion Ministers: Bob Lochner & Nicole Lochner

Servers: Quinn Gruber & Abby Posch

SUN., NOV. 28 @ 10:00 a.m.

Lector: Randi Kranz

Communion Ministers: Debbie Hall & Cindy Scholl

Servers: Hunter & Reagan Jacobson

USHERS FOR DECEMBER: Grant Stangl, Nathan Gruber, & Shane Zilka

CONGRATULATIONS: To Branden and Kylee (Hoheisel) Sauer who were married this weekend!

CHOIR NEWS: Choir will sing on Wednesday, November 24th and Sunday, November 28th.

COFFE CAKES: Buckman CM/W will be selling coffee cakes after the 10 a.m. Mass on Sunday, December 5th.

THANK YOU! To everyone who volunteered their time to help with the Beef Stew Supper. It was a great success!

WREATH SALE: There will be no Christmas wreaths for sale this year from Catholic United Financial due to Covid and the sale of the company, no workers.

HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL: 468-6446

*Employment opportunities: Substitute Teachers and Paraprofessionals. Please call the office for more information.

*Holy Trinity continues to sell gourmet coffee grown in Guatemala. The coffee is available for purchase at the school. Holy Trinity makes \$3 on each bag sold and the rest goes to pay the farmers in Guatemala for the coffee beans. Regular (ground or bean) \$13.00, in French, Dark, or Medium Roast. Decaf (ground or bean) \$14.00.

*Raffle Calendars will go on sale beginning Monday, November 22. Please contact an HT family, or the school office. \$25 per calendar. Must be 18 to enter.

FPSR NEWS: 468-2640

*December 1st - St. Nick's Bonfire & S'mores for JH/SH Youth Group from 5pm-7pm, students will be helping make s'mores and give out hot cocoa at the children's shopping spree @ FPSR for St. Nick's night.

*Confirmation Youth Mass & Presentation of Confirmation Candidates on Sunday, December 5th in all 4 parishes!

*TOY BINGO on Sunday, December 5th 1pm-3pm in the Holy Trinity Gym! Please come and help support the students going to Steubenville!

ST. JOSEPH'S NEWS AND ACTIVITIES:

Weekday Lector: Nov. 23rd & 26th: LeRoy Swanson

THURS. NOV. 25 @ 8:30 a.m.,

Lector: Karen Gross

Communion Ministers: Thurs. Nov. 25 – Volunteers,

Servers: Thurs. Nov. 25 – Tyler Kimman & Jayden Zajac

SAT. NOV. 27 @ 4:30 p.m., & SUN. NOV. 28 @ 8:00 a.m.

Communion Ministers: Sat. Nov. 27 – Kristie Virnig, Jan Dahmen, & Mary Schraut, **Choir** – Michelle Litke

Sun. Nov. 28 – Marvin Kimman, LeRoy Swanson, & Marilyn Virnig

Servers: Sat. Nov. 27 – Reese & Reagan Winscher

Sun. Nov. 28 – Anna & Adam Hoheisel

Lectors for December: Sat. – Al Pekarek,

Sun. – Keith Marshik

Ushers for December: Sat.- John Kurtz, Neal Kimman,

Jeremy Virnig, & Allan Kroll, **Sun.-** Neil Korf, Floyd

Mathiowetz, Larry Etzel, & Jason Sadlovsky

AT PEACE WITH GOD: *Agnes P. Medek* passed away on November 10th. A Mass of Christian Burial was held on Wednesday, November 17th at St. Joseph's Church with burial in the parish cemetery. We extend our sympathy to these families and assure them of our prayerful support.

ST JOSEPH'S QUILTING CIRCLE: We will start quilting the first part of December for a couple of weeks, then take a break until after the Holidays. We will do Wednesday afternoon at 1 and Thursday mornings at 9. You can come and go as you please. We will be tying and stitching. No experience necessary. Watch bulletin for more information. Our first week will be Wed., Dec. 1 at 1 pm and Thurs., Dec. 2 at 9 am. Watch for the fall quilt letter coming out soon. Any questions call Eileen at 320-360-2434 or Chris at 468-2164.

St. Joseph's Parish Prayer Line: We are looking to move our telephone tree prayer line to an email system. Those already on the prayer line, and any new prayer warriors that would like to join, please email me so I can compile the list: rjyoung0521@gmail.com. Thanks! Rachel Young

AREA NEWS:

***Christmas Craft & Bake Sale, Holy Spirit Church, St. Cloud** Sat. & Sun Nov. 20 (9 am- 5:30 pm) & 21 (9 am – 12:30 pm). Unique hand crafted items & gifts.

***Fall Harvest Breakfast, Ramey Morrill Lions Club, Sun.,** Nov. 21, 8:30am -12pm. Collecting old eye glasses, food for food drive and new toys for area toy drives.

***Breakfast, St. Anthony's Parish Center, St. Cloud, Sun.,** Nov. 21, serving from 8a.m.-12p.m. Adults \$10, grades 7-12 \$5 and preschool to grade 6 eat FREE.

***Turkey Bingo, Holy Family Church, Little Falls, Sunday,** Nov. 21 at 1:30p.m., 20 games for \$5.

***St. Mary's Christmas Bazaar, Little Falls, Nov. 20 & 21.** Fun for the whole family all weekend! Bake Sale, Cake Walk, Cash Bingo, Games of Chance, Silent Auction, Crafts Sale, Trinkets & Treasures.

THE FAMILY CIRCUS

