

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH
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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
May 12th, 2019
"The Mercy of the Lord fills the earth!"

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Confessions: Buckman – Thursday - 7:30 a.m., Pierz – Saturday - 3:30 p.m. or by appt.
Adoration at the Pierz Villa on Thursdays from 5 a.m. to 11 p.m.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 13th – MAY 19th

Monday	May 13	
Villa	9:30 a.m.	Word/Communion Service
Tuesday	May 14	
Pierz	8:00 a.m.	+Leo Loscheider
Villa	9:30 a.m.	Word/Communion Service
Wednesday	May 15	
Buckman	8:00 a.m.	Gerta H. / For Her Health
Villa	9:30 a.m.	+Frank & Barbara Kapsner
Thursday	May 16	
Buckman	8:00 a.m.	St. Michael's Catholic United Financial Members
Villa	9:30 a.m.	Word/Communion Service
Friday	May 17	
Pierz	8:30 a.m.	+Harvey "Joe" Block
Buckman	8:30 a.m.	Word/Communion Service
Villa	9:30 a.m.	+Roman Kahlhamer
Saturday	May 18	
Pierz	4:30 p.m.	+Mel Gruber (Adult Choir)
Sunday	May 19 - Senior Class Baccalaureate Masses	
Pierz	8:00 a.m.	For the People of the Parishes (Folk Group)
Buckman	10:00 a.m.	+Emily Dehler

ST. MICHAEL'S WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP:

Adult	\$2629.00
High School	\$ 9.00
Elementary	\$ 35.50
Plate	\$ 433.00
	\$3106.50

Thank you for your generosity!
Mass attendance **May. 5th** Sun - 312

ST. JOSEPH'S WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP:

Adult	\$6955.00
High School	\$ 16.08
Elementary	\$ 55.50
Plate	\$1062.34
	\$8088.93

Thank you for your generosity!
Mass attendance **May. 4th-5th** Sat- 223 Sun- 231

HOLY TRINITY CALENDAR WINNERS
May 6- Tony Kummet, **May 7-** Arlene Fussy, **May 8-** Russ & Cindy Marshik, **May 9-** Julie LaFlamme, **May 10-** Joanie Watercott, **May 11-** Lea Block (\$35 winners)
May 12- (\$75 Winner) Felicity Janson.

FROM THE PASTOR: This weekend we want to welcome Deacon Craig Korver. Deacon Craig will be helping out at times with Preaching on weekends and with Baptisms. I also want to congratulate all the children who made their First Holy Communion for they have received the greatest gift our Lord's Body and Blood. We now pray for our graduates from Pierz Healy High School asking God to bless them in the next chapter of their lives. ~ Fr. Ken Popp

BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL: Thank you to everyone who has donated to the Appeal. As of April 26, 5,754 parishioners have donated \$849,080 in gifts and pledges. That is 65% of the Diocese's goal of \$1,300,000. Every dollar raised goes directly to diocesan ministries like respect for life and the diaconate, and is not used for any other purpose.

FUN, FOOD, AND FUND DAY: Tues., June 25th from 9:00 a.m. - 2:15 p.m. at St. Augustine's Catholic Church in St. Cloud. Registration is at 9:00 a.m. To register, contact Janis Fagin at 14585 31st Street, Clear Lake, MN 55319 or call 612-202-1591.

"WE ARE BORN TO BE HOLY": Council of Catholic Women of Little Falls Deanery will be hosting a spring meeting at Holy Cross Church in Harding on Sat., May 18th. Following 8:15 a.m. registration, there will be an 8:30 a.m. rosary, 9:00 a.m. mass, & 10:00 a.m. meeting with speaker Nita Hayes. Lunch will be offered after the meeting. Spring plant exchange: bring extra plants you may be clearing from your flower gardens to share with someone else. FREE WILL OFFERING! For more information contact Cheryl Pick at 320-355-2214.

Upcoming Faith in Action Event: May 14th: Lakes Area Memory Awareness- LAMA will be hosting a "Dementia- Finding the Diamond in the Rough" presentation by Michele Henifin. This event will be located at Lutheran Church of the Cross – 5064 County Road 13, Nisswa, MN. Doors open at 9:30 a.m. with a morning session at 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. and a afternoon session from 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Free Lunch available, pre-registration is requested as space will be limited. Register by visiting memoryadvocates.org, Eventbrite or Call Madison at (218)824-1218.



ST. MICHAEL'S NEWS & ACTIVITIES:

***SUN., May 19th @ 10:00 a.m.**

Lector: Class of 2019

Communion Minister: Carolyn Andres, Debbie Hall, Jill Hoheisel, Leo Pohlkamp, Dean Rocheleau, & Cindy Scholl

Servers: Gab Stangl & Jackson Kahl

May Ushers: John Grittner, Sam Seelen & Jerry Posch

St. Michaels Baccalaureate Mass will be Sunday May 19th. Seniors please meet in the hall at 9:30. Make sure to wear your cap and gown. All junior students are expected to work and parents also received shifts for this day. Any questions please call Billie at 320-282-3732.

CHRISTIAN M/W, are hosting the Birthday Bingo at the Pierz Villa on Friday May, 17th @ 3 p.m. Please come @ 2:30 p.m. if you can help. Call Patty @ 468-2487 if you can help. Thank You!

Christian Mothers/Women has established a Spiritual Committee. We discussed making prayer chaplets. Also, starting adoration on the second Wednesday of the month at St. Michael's in Buckman. Our first adoration evening is June 12th at 7 p.m. If you want to help, please call Patty at 468-2487.

MISSING ROASTER PAN: There is a roaster pan missing from the Buckman Hall. If you have the pan, please call the parish office at 320-468-6033. *Thanks!*

ORGAN PLAQUE: The Plaque listing the names of those who contributed to the Organ Restoration Project is now hanging in the back of the church beside the Window Restoration plaque. We thank Joe Virnig for making the Board, Jason Gruber for the wood, St. Michael's Choir and St. Michael's Parish for paying for the lettering, etc. Our organ is playing beautifully and was a project needed to ensure our organ is able to be played to provide beautiful music for generations to come. *Thank you so much!*

PARISH FINANCE MEETING: Thurs, May 16th at 6:30p.m.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING: Thurs, May 16th at 7:30p.m.

HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL – 468-6446

*Registration is open for the 2019-20 school year.

*Students will attend 9am liturgy in Lastrup on Friday, May 17th. We will celebrate the Feast of Saint Isidore, patron of farming.

*6th grade students attend Camp Foley, an environmental / Catholic camp, this week. Thank you for your support of this wonderful educational, faith-based experience.

*“A MOTHER is she who can take the place of all others, but whose place no one else can take.” Happy Mother's Day!

*Gourmet coffee is for sale at the school office year-round.

FPSR:

*Party at the Pierz Park on Wednesday, May 15th from 5pm-7pm for 7th-12th graders! Come eat dinner and enjoy some great fellowship rain or shine!

The Franciscan Sisters of Little Falls is hosting the 12th annual Franciscan Girls Camp, Tues., June 4th, 10 a.m. – Thurs., June 6th, 6p.m. in Assisi Park, located at St. Francis Convent, Little Falls. Girls who have completed grades 6-8 are invited to enjoy a variety of nature and fun activities, campfire, prayer and singing. For more info., call Sr. Ange Mayers @ 320-632-0680.

ST. JOSEPH'S NEWS AND ACTIVITIES:

***SAT., May 18th @ 4:30 p.m. & SUN May 19th @ 8:00 a.m.**

Servers: Sat. – Simon & Louis Gruber

Sun. – Braiden Maus & Jack Prokott

Weekday Lector: – Hilde Flicker

NEW LIFE IN CHRIST: Brennen Ervin, son of James and Jessica Gunther was baptized on Saturday, May 4th. Congratulations and welcome to our community of faith!

I BANNES OF MARRIAGE (June 8th):

Elizabeth Tomala & Nick Lefebure

ATTENTION: A *ring* was lost at this past Saturday's Mass. If anyone has found a ring, please call the Parish Office 468-6033! ~Thank You!

****CATHOLIC UNITED FINANCIAL** is looking for 1-2 people to be part of a committee. This committee meets three times per year to come up with ideas for Catholic United Financial. Must be a member of CUF. Interested candidates should contact Mark Hoheisel @ 320-468-2640. **PLEASE NOTE DATE CHANGE** *CUF will meet on May 22nd @ 10:30 a.m. in Father Pierz School of Religion. All are welcome to attend.

PARISH FINANCE MEETING: Tues, May 14th at 6:30p.m.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING: Tues, May 14th at 7:30p.m.

THEOLOGY ON TAP: Come join young adults in their 20s and 30s for a fun night out. Our next Theology on Tap will be on Thursday, May 16th at A.T. The Black and White in Little Falls. Social hour with food and/or drinks begins at 7:00. Then at 8:00, we will grill the priests with our questions about the Catholic faith. Father Joe Herzing, Father Gregory Mastey, and Father Jeremy Theis will all be part of the panel. We hope to see you there!

LOCAL SUPPORT GROUP: Meetings will be held Saturday nights at 6 p.m. in the St. Michael's Parish Center. Any questions, please give Lee Herold a call at 320-733-4770. *Everyone is welcome to come!*

2019 SUMMER VOCATION EVENTS We offer the following events for young men: June 10 – 12: Bulldog Lake Camp, Hillman, MN (men in grades 7th – 10th) June 18 – 20: Bus Tour, Alexandria (men in grades 7th – 12th), June 24 – 26: Avon Camp (Mead residence) (men in grades 7th – 10th) August 3: Paschal Challenge, Sauk Centre (men in grades 9th – 12th) Registration deadline is Monday, July 29 to guarantee a t-shirt. Registration is on-line at <http://vocations.stedio.org/events/>.

ARE YOU GOING TO THE HOSPITAL IN ST. CLOUD?

If you would like a visit from Father Popp or Michael Pekar, please call the office at 468-6033 and leave us a message of when you are going to be admitted. Thank you!

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend: The next available weekends are Jul. 12-14, 2019 in Buffalo, MN and Sept. 20-22, 2019 in Alexandria, MN. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: northmnwwme.org or contact Alan & Missy at applications@northmnwwme.org or 888-455-3496.

Nominations for the 2019 Humanae Vitae Award: July 25th will mark the 51st Anniversary of Humanae Vitae! In celebration, we'll host our annual diocesan Humanae Vitae Mass & Award Reception on Thurs., July 25th @ Saint Mary's Cathedral, Saint Cloud. For more information visit: www.stcdio.org/omf/nfp Send, fax, or e-mail nominations before May 15, 2019 to the Office of Marriage and Family, Natural Family Planning Advisory Committee, 305-7th Avenue North Suite 100, Saint Cloud, MN 56303 Questions? Contact Sheila Reineke @ sreineke@gw.stcdio.org or 320-252-4721 x308.

St. Joseph's Church - HEARING ASSISTANCE: If you are having difficulty hearing and understanding the spoken word during Mass, ask an usher for help connecting to our loop system. This is compatible with most modern hearing aids, simply set your hearing aid to "T coil". Don't have hearing aids? We have handheld units you may use. Hear what you've been missing!

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Award: July 25, 2019 will mark the 51st Anniversary of Humanae Vitae! In celebration, we'll host our annual diocesan Humanae Vitae Mass & Award Reception on Thursday, July 25, 2019 at Saint Mary's Cathedral, Saint Cloud. We are blessed to have people in our diocese who have dedicated themselves to the promotion of Natural Family Planning and the principles of Humanae Vitae. If you know a person(s) who has demonstrated courage in promoting Natural Family Planning, submit your nomination in writing (500 words or less). For more information visit: www.stcdio.org/omf/nfp Send, fax, or e-mail nominations before May 15, 2019 to the Office of Marriage and Family, Natural Family Planning Advisory Committee, 305-7th Avenue North Suite 100, Saint Cloud, MN 56303 Fax: 320-258-7658 e-mail: omf@gw.stcdio.org Questions? Contact Sheila Reineke @ sreineke@gw.stcdio.org or 320-252-4721 x308.

– Prayer Team volunteers work in conjunction with hospital chaplains to bring intercessory prayer to pre-determined patients and their families. We meet Tues and Thurs from 2:30pm to 4:30pm. Please prayerfully consider being a Prayer Team volunteer. Contact the Spiritual Care Office at 320-251-2700, ext. 54621 or email, wiehoffb@centracare.com for more information.

SJ'S PRAYER LINE: If you are in need of prayers, please call Karen at 468-6818. Thank you!

SEVEN SISTERS APOSTOLATE: Do you have 1 week to spend in prayer? Please consider joining the Seven Sisters Apostolate. We have an active group at St. Josephs/St Michaels praying for Fr. Popp, and the diocese is starting a group of 21 women to pray specifically for Bishop Kettler. You would commit for a 1 yr. term, praying for 1 hr. any day of the week you choose. Call Pam Evans @ 320-492-0289.

Upcoming Faith in Action Events:

Caregiver Support Group: Join us on the 3rd Wed. of every month at 2pm, First United Church in Little Falls, Fireside Room. For more info., call Angie Athman at 468-6451.