

# Fourth Sunday Of Lent

March 6, 2016

Praise the name of the Lord!

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**MICHAEL PEKAR - PASTORAL ASSOCIATE**

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**MASSES FOR THE WEEK:**

Monday	Mar. 07	Villa	9:30 a.m.	Communion Service
Tuesday	Mar. 08	Pierz	8:00 a.m.	+Ceil Millner
		Villa	9:30 a.m.	Word/Communion Service
Wednesday	Mar. 09	Buckman	8:00 a.m.	+Jeff Skroch
		Pierz	8:00 a.m.	Word/Communion Service
		Villa	9:30 a.m.	Paul Lochner
		Buckman	7:00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross
Thursday	Mar. 10	Buckman	8:00 a.m.	+Freda Schmitt
		Villa	9:30 a.m.	Word/Communion Service
Friday	Mar. 11	Pierz	8:30 a.m.	School Mass/+Pam Woitalla
		Buckman	8:30 a.m.	Word/Communion Service
		Villa	9:30 a.m.	+Clint, Tootie, Glen & Richie LeBlanc
		Pierz	4:00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross
Saturday	Mar. 12	Pierz	4:30 p.m.	+Dorothy & Edgar Stock (Adult Choir)
Sunday	Mar. 13	<b>Buckman</b>	8:00 a.m.	Members of the Catholic United Financial & For the People
		<b>Pierz</b>	10:00 a.m.	+Claude & Carol Theis (Folk Group)

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

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**FROM THE PASTORAL ASSOCIATE:** when you think about it, we are all ambassadors for something. Whatever is the most important thing in our life (God, prayer with God, sports, money, friendship, farming, hunting, ... ) that is often what we end up talking about. We become an ambassador for that vocation, career, friendship, sport or goal. In our second reading Paul exclaims that we are to be "ambassadors for Christ." We are to proclaim God's message of reconciliation to the world and bring people to Jesus. In Baptism we were made a part of the body of Christ, so Christ now works through us. Do we really see ourselves as ambassadors for Christ? Are we bringing people to Jesus, or are we closer to the fruitless fig tree in last week's Gospel? Other than our family members, how many people have we brought to Jesus Christ? If we see ourselves a little lacking here, perhaps in our prayers this week we could offer up a petition to the Father in Jesus' name and ask Him to have the Holy Spirit give us the spirit of joy and the spirit of ambassadorship so we will become better ambassadors for Christ. ~~~ *Michael Pekar*

\*\*Fr. Popp's office hours are Wednesday, 1-3 p.m.  
\*\*Michael's office hours are 2-4 p.m. on Tues at St. Josephs and 10 a.m. to noon on Wed. at St. Michaels.  
\*\*Deb's office hours are Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and Wednesday, 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.  
**R.C.I.A.** Alex Hebler is St. Joseph's Candidate that will be coming into full communion with the Catholic Faith this Easter Vigil. He has progressed in his understanding of the faith and will be a wonderful addition to our Catholic Church. If you would like to encourage him, as he enters these last weeks of Lent in preparation for becoming Catholic, you can write to him. His address is 24501 93<sup>rd</sup> St Royalton MN 56373.  
**EXTRA CONFESSIONS DURING LENT:** March 12<sup>th</sup> - Buckman, 10 a.m. Pierz, 12:30 p.m. March 11<sup>th</sup> -Pierz after stations, March 13<sup>th</sup> - Communal Penance Service in Pierz at 7 p.m. for the four parishes.  
**PRAYER LINE:** if you would like to put someone or some intention on the prayer line please call Karen at 468-6818.  
**NEW TITLES:** in the kiosk in the south entry, including information on Fatima, Guadalupe & St. Augustine.

**ST. MICHAEL'S NEWS AND ACTIVITIES**

**ST. JOSEPH'S NEWS AND ACTIVITIES**

<b><u>YOUR STEWARDSHIP:</u></b>		Needed Weekly
<u>Weekly</u>		<u>to meet Expenses</u>
Adult	\$ 2220.00 - 78	
High School	\$ 58.25 - 18	
Elementary	\$ 14.57 - 14	
Plate	\$ 255.91	
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	\$ 2548.73	\$ 3802.97

<b><u>YOUR STEWARDSHIP:</u></b>		Needed Weekly
<u>Weekly</u>		<u>to meet Expenses</u>
Adult	\$ 5414.68 - 184	
High School	\$ 28.25 - 18	
Elementary	\$ 45.00 - 33	
Plate	\$ 405.70	
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	\$ 5893.63	\$ 8102.98

**MASS ATTENDANCE:** Sunday - 386

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**SUNDAY - March 13th**

Lector - Janice Janson  
Communion -Michelle Reardon, Carolyn Andres,  
Jess Mischke, Alice Nordmann, Kay Pappenfus  
Servers - Kaylee Gruber & Madison Talberg  
Ushers - John Grittner, Sammy Seelen, Marvin Gall  
**CHOIR:** practice Monday, March 7<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. Choir  
will sing on Sunday, March 13<sup>th</sup>.

**SERVERS:** Saturday-Mason Zajac & Leo Voigt,  
**Sunday at 10 a.m.:** John & Nick Brisk  
Stations on Friday at 4 p.m.-Courtney Kroll & Maraya  
Boser

**WEEKDAY LECTOR:** Elvira Stumpf

**QUILT BINGO:** Sunday, March 20<sup>th</sup> at 1 p.m. If anyone  
needs extra Raffle Books, please call Janel Meyer at  
468-6503. The quilt on the Raffle is a queen size  
"Bargello" pattern, brown/tan colors, pieced by Bernice  
Marshik, hand stitched by the Buckman ladies.

**NEW LIFE IN CHRIST:** Brenna Aleah, daughter of  
Aaron & Nicole Loxterkamp baptized this weekend.  
Congratulations and welcome to our community of  
faith!

**SENIOR CITIZEN BINGO:** after the 8 a.m. Mass on  
Thursday, March 10<sup>th</sup> at St. Michael's Parish Center.  
Lunch will be provided. Hosted by Catholic United  
Financial.

**CHOIR:** Adult Choir practice on Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.  
**FINANCE COMMITTEE:** meeting on Tuesday, March  
8<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 p.m. at parish office.

**PARISH COUNCIL:** meeting on Tuesday, March 8<sup>th</sup>,  
7:30 p.m. at the parish office.

**THANK YOU:** to Loren Meyer for waxing the parish  
center floors.

**LECTORS FOR MARCH:** Sat.-Karen Gross, Sun.-Gary  
Poser.

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**COMMUNION MINISTERS FOR MARCH:** Sat.-Doris  
Thyen, Tracy Voigt, Marvin Kimman, Choir-Barb  
Zajac.

**HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL NOTES:** 468-6446

\*\*Calendar winners: Feb.29-Judy Meierhofer, Mar.01-  
Linda Wehseler, Mar.02-Stacy Happke, Mar.03-Tom &  
Joyce Leidenfrost, Mar.04-Jessica Adamski, Mar.05-  
Clemons Virnig Family, (\$35 winners), Mar.06-Steve  
Hoheisel, (\$75 winner).

Sunday-Jo Loidolt, Julia Austin, LeRoy Swanson  
**USHERS FOR MARCH:** Sat.-Lead-John Kurtz, Neal  
Kimman Jeremy Virnig, Allan Kroll, Sun.-Lead-Neil  
Korf, LeRoy Hoheisel, Floyd Mathiowetz, Larry Etzel.  
**QUILTING:** the Country NE group will be tying quilts,  
March 12<sup>th</sup> in the Parish Office basement starting at 8  
a.m. Any questions, call Eileen 468-2434 or Jan at 468-  
2578.

\*\*Holy Trinity School PK and Kindergarten 2016-2017  
Open House/Registration will be Monday, March 7<sup>th</sup> at  
6:30 p.m.

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\*\*Holy Trinity School Carnival will be Sunday, March  
13<sup>th</sup>, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thank you for purchasing raffle  
tickets and donating items.

**FPSR NOTES:** 468-2640

\*\*Country Store...start your spring cleaning early and  
donate to the Country Store. It is like a mini-garage  
sale.

\*\*please keep the Confirmation students in your  
prayers! Confirmation is Sunday, March 6<sup>th</sup> at 2 p.m.  
Students need to be in church by 12:30 p.m. and  
sponsors by 1:30 p.m.

\*\*Toddlers Class, Wed. March 9<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 to 7 p.m.  
for 2-4 year old children. Register by calling 468-6446.

\*\*Wednesday, March 9<sup>th</sup>, Joel Pohland, Healy Band  
Director, is in a Christian Rock Band. "Broken Glass"  
that will be performing from 6-8 p.m. in the Holy Trinity  
Gym with pizza after the concert. Open to everyone, all  
ages are welcome!

**AREA EVENTS:**

\*\*Breakfast on March 6<sup>th</sup> at Ramey. Serving from 9  
a.m. to noon  
\*\*French Toast Breakfast & Craft Sale, Sunday, March  
13<sup>th</sup> at St. Joseph's Hall in Morrill. Serving from 8:30  
a.m. to 12 noon. Sponsored by the MLMB First  
Response Team, the Ramey/Morrill Lions and St.  
Joseph's Church.

**ANNUAL SPRING BOUTIQUE:** Holy Trinity PTO is  
looking for vendors for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Spring Boutique  
on Saturday, April 9<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Lisa at 320-630-  
5565 for more information.