

**THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY TIME**

**November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019**

“Forsake me not, my God!”

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

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**Regular Mass times for Area Community Parishes:**

St. John Nepomuk of Lastrup - Saturdays at 8p.m. & Sundays at 10:45 a.m.

Holy Cross Church of Harding -Sundays at 8:45 a.m.

**MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF NOV. 4<sup>th</sup> – NOV. 10<sup>th</sup>**

**Monday Nov. 4**

Villa 9:30 a.m. Word/Communion Service

**Tuesday Nov. 5**

Pierz 8:00 a.m. +John Lachinski

Villa 9:30 a.m. Word/Communion Service

**Wednesday Nov. 6**

Buckman 8:00 a.m. +Freda Schmitt

Pierz 11:00 a.m. **Funeral for Marian Brisk**

Villa 9:30 a.m. +Charles & Anne Lochner

Pierz 7:00 p.m. For Deceased KC's Members

**Thursday Nov. 7**

Buckman 8:00 a.m. +Cecilia Przybilla

Pierz 8:30 a.m. +James “Jake” Litke (HT School Mass)

Villa 9:30 a.m. Word/Communion Service

**Friday Nov. 8**

Pierz 8:30 a.m. +Marcella Flicker

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

Villa 9:30 a.m. +Doris Langer

**Saturday Nov. 9**

Pierz 4:30 p.m. +Ardell & Lea Waytashek (Adult Choir)

Buckman 8:00 p.m. +Martin Tschida / Deer Hunters Mass

**Sunday Nov. 10**

Pierz 8:00 a.m. +Marcia M. Athman (Folk Group)

Buckman 10:00 a.m. For the People of the Parishes  
and Marie Lambert & Colette Pohlkamp

**ST. MICHAEL'S WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP:**

Adult \$ 2855.00

High School \$ 4.00

Elementary \$ 4.50

Plate \$ 161.01

\$ 3024.51

*Thank you for your generosity!*

Mass attendance **Oct. 26<sup>th</sup> Sun.** - 233

**ST. JOSEPH'S WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP:**

Adult \$ 7117.00

High School \$ 12.00

Elementary \$ 19.50

Plate \$ 414.47

\$ 7562.97

*Thank you for your generosity!*

Mass attendance **Oct. 26<sup>th</sup> Sat.**- 194,

**Oct. 27<sup>th</sup> Sun.**- 332

**HOLY TRINITY CALENDAR WINNERS**

**Oct. 28** –Rob Clemons & Ruth Virnig, **Oct. 29**

–Jason Slinden, **Oct. 30** –Steph Gall, **Oct. 31** –

Eileen Gast, **Nov. 1** –Dale & Susie Vogtlin,

**Nov. 2** –Irene Peterson (\$35 Winners).

**Nov. 3** – Peter Hoffman (\$75 Winner).

**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.**

**FROM THE PASTOR:** Pope Francis canonized at the beginning of a festive Mass in St. Peter's Square, October 13. Cardinal John Henry Newman (1801-1890), Italy's Giuseppina Vannini (1859-1911), founder of the Daughters of Saint Camillus; India's Mariam Thresia Chiramel Mankidiyan (1876-1926), founder of the Congregation of the Sisters of the Holy Family; Brazil's Sister Dulce Lopes Pontes (1914-1992); and Switzerland's Margherita Bays (1815-1879), a laywoman.

Pope Francis quoted St. John Henry Newman on the holiness of daily life, saying: “The Christian has a deep, silent, hidden peace, which the world sees not... The Christian is cheerful, easy, kind, gentle, courteous, candid, unassuming; has no pretense... with so little that is unusual or striking in his bearing, that he may easily be taken at first sight for an ordinary man.” He then continued his reference to Newman with the famous prayer composed in 1833 while Newman was still an Anglican, “Lead Kindly Light,” encouraging the congregation to ask to “be like that, ‘kindly lights’ amid the encircling gloom. Jesus, ‘stay with me, and then I shall begin to shine as Thou shiniest: so, to shine as to be a light to others.’”

We are all on this journey as Christian's and let our light shine ~ Fr. Ken Popp

**NOTE HT School Mass Change:** Fri, Nov 8th liturgy is moved to Thurs, Nov. 7th at 8:30am St. Joseph Church. It was changed because the Veterans' program is on Friday, Nov. 8th at 9:30am at Healy High School.

**\*KC's Memorial Mass, Pierz:** Wed. Nov. 6, 7 PM. Family, family and everyone is welcome to the Memorial Mass for the KC deceased members from this past year: Urban Stangl, Joe Block, Bernie Winzenburg, David Thommes, Herb Britz, Rob Schmitz, Ervin Girtz & LeRoy Lochner. A lunch will be served after.

**St. Rita's Church, Hillman:** are looking for old pictures and memories to be shared for our centennial celebration next May. We are working on publishing a history of the parish. As we have been around for so long, perhaps you have attended Mass or on of our fundraisers and have an interesting story or memory to share. We would like to hear all of them. All the “do you remember this? Or” remember when?” those are the stories we are looking for...pictures too! You can email it to [strita@brainerd.net](mailto:strita@brainerd.net), Lestie Rueter at [lmrueter@yahoo.com](mailto:lmrueter@yahoo.com) or Mel Buesseler at [melnetty@littlefals.net](mailto:melnetty@littlefals.net) by January 1, 2020. Original pictures will be returned.

**ST. MICHAEL'S NEWS & ACTIVITIES:**

**\*SAT., Nov. 9<sup>th</sup> @ 8:00 p.m. & SUN., Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> @ 10 a.m.**

**Lector:** Sat. – Jane Funk  
Sun. – Todd Caddy

**Communion Ministers:**

**Sat.** – MaryKay Zilka & Megan Hoheisel  
**Sun.** – Carolyn Andres, Debbie Hall, Janice Janson, Connie Kieffer, Jill Hoheisel, & Kay Pappenfus

**Servers:** Sat. – Taylor & Logan Brisk  
Sun. – Wyatt Dingmann & Mason Herold

**November Ushers:** John Grittner, Sam Seelen, & Mick Gruber

**\*\*NOTE:** Lector, Communion Ministers & Servers List have been mailed out, extras are in the back of the church.

**CHOIR NEWS:** Practice Tue. Nov. 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. Choir will sing on Sun. Nov. 10<sup>th</sup>.

**BAZAAR NEWS:** Totals from the bazaar are available in the back of church. Also, thank you to everyone that took time out to help and join in the fun to make our bazaar a success this year. A special thanks to Bob & Lisa Leidenfrost and Lisa Motschke for taking time out and chairing the bazaar!

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**HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL – 468-6446**

\*During the Nov. *Month of Remembrance*, the school children will be praying for those who are deceased. An, All Soul's prayer service at 8:30 am, Tues, Nov 5th.

\*The students and staff will be attending the Veterans Program at 9:30am on Friday, November 8th at the high school. Thank you, veterans!

\*The final results of the Steak and Wine fundraiser: Income \$100,660.69 Expenses \$3,625.46 Profit: \$97, 035.23 Praise be to God for the overwhelming community support for Holy Trinity School's mission of faith formation!

\*The March school carnival committee is putting together the carnival raffle tickets. If you are interested in supporting the school by making a donation for the raffle ticket, please contact the school office. Thanks.

**FPSR & YOUTH GROUP NEWS: 468-2640:**

\*Wed. Nov. 6<sup>th</sup>-JH Bowling (LF Bowling alley) 5:30-7:30p.m.

\*Thurs. Nov. 13<sup>th</sup>-JH/SH Pizza Ranch Fundraiser 4:30-7:30p.m.

**GERMANY 2020 TRIP:** We have some openings for our 11-day trip to Germany, Belgium and Luxemburg from June 7-17, 2020. If you are interested, please call Horst Hanneken @ 1-320-745-2641 for details.

**Spiritual Direction: The Practice of Contemplative**

**Presence:** We will explore how modern (and less directive) understandings of accompanying another relate to the practice of "contemplative presence." Nov. 8th, check-in, 8:30am - 9am, presentation, 9am-12pm., Emmaus Hall, St. John's University, Collegeville. Free event. Lunch provided following presentation. Registration required: 320-363-3560, [www.collegevilleMN.com/theologyday](http://www.collegevilleMN.com/theologyday).

**Women's Benedictine Community:** If you are a single, Catholic woman under the age of 45, you are invited to spend a day with us, Sat, Nov 9 & Sat, Dec 14. Starts at 10 a.m., Ends at 3 p.m. You will learn the history of our chapel and sacred spaces through a guided tour. To register please contact Sister Lisa Rose, at [rose@csbsju.edu](mailto:rose@csbsju.edu) or (320) 363-7180.

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

**\* SAT., Nov. 9<sup>th</sup> @ 4:30 p.m., & SUN. Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> @ 8:00 a.m.**

**Servers:** Sat. – Reagan & Reese Winscher  
Sun. – Mataya Pohlkamp & Alana Rocheleau

**Weekday Lector:** – Harvey Kimman

**CHOIR NEWS:** \*The Folk Group will begin practicing for the Advent and Christmas season Tuesday night, November 5th. at 6:30 pm. New members are always welcome. If you have any questions please call RoseAnn at 468-2767.

**NEW LIFE IN CHRIST:** *Emma Evelyn*, son of Ian Zlotnik and Tiffany Boser was baptized on Sunday, October 27<sup>th</sup>. Congratulations and welcome to our community of faith!

**AT PEACE WITH GOD:** *Mary E. Langer* passed away on October 18<sup>th</sup> Mass of Christian burial was held on Tuesday, October 29<sup>th</sup> at St. Joseph's Church, with burial in the St. Joseph's parish cemetery. We extend our sympathy to the families and assure them of our prayerful support.

**DONUTS & COFFEE:** Join us for Donuts, Coffee and fellowship Sunday Nov. 17<sup>th</sup> after the 8 a.m. Mass here at St. Joseph's. Hope to see you there!

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**HELP WANTED:** St. Joseph's Parish are taking applications for a full-time custodian for the parish. Job description and applications can be picked up at the parish office. All applications must be returned to the office before 3 p.m. on Nov. 4<sup>th</sup>.

**Koinonia Retreat CMK # 222:** Designed for adults age 20 and older. At, Belle Prairie TEC center. Next retreat, Nov. 8-10. Starts at 5:30 pm Friday and ends Sunday afternoon. Applications can be completed online on our website: [centralmnkoinonia.org](http://centralmnkoinonia.org). To get a paper application call Kathy at 320-630-1880 or email at [cmkoinonia@gmail.com](mailto:cmkoinonia@gmail.com). Cost of the weekend is \$70 includes meals and lodging.

**SEVEN SORROWS ROSARY AT THE VILLA:** On Sunday November 10<sup>th</sup> please join us at the Pierz Villa Chapel at 4pm to pray the Seven Sorrows Rosary for our country. Call Patty at 468-2487 with any questions.

**St. John's Turkey Bingo – Foley MN:** Sun. Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> at 1pm in St. John Emmaus Trinity Center. Play 20 games which includes three blackouts for \$5 per card. Extra jackpot cards. Ice cream, cake, and coffee will be served following bingo

**Catholic United Financial Regional Member Gathering:** Melrose High School, Sat, Nov 16<sup>th</sup> from 11:30am to 4:30 pm. Keynote Speaker David Rinaldi will share an uplifting message with us on "How to keep your kids Catholic". After, guests can select from multiple workshops on topics that will engage and educate. RSVP by Saturday, November 9<sup>th</sup>, email [www.catholicunited.org/gathering](http://www.catholicunited.org/gathering) or call 1-888-346-7183 for questions/registry.

**ADVENT REFLECTIONS:** Advent begins on Dec. 1st. Bishop Robert Barron's Advent Gospel Reflections Journal for 2019 is a wonderful resource for reflecting daily upon the season's Gospel messages. It contains all-new reflections from Bishop Barron, the full Gospel readings for each day, questions for reflection, and journal pages. Copies of this resource will be available in late Nov. for \$2/copy. Please contact Mary Kay Pekar at 468-2316 or via email at [02mmpekar5@gmail.com](mailto:02mmpekar5@gmail.com) to reserve your copy today.

**November 12 or December 10<sup>th</sup> 2019 8 Hour In-depth**

**Dementia Training:** We have two class dates for you to choose from: Michele Henifin will lead a full day class on the basic understanding of Dementia, strategies for communication, how to handle challenging behaviors and much more. Time: 8 to 4:30 with lunch included. Free to caregivers. To register call Marie at 320-468-6451 option #2.

**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!*

**International Survivors of Suicide Loss Day**

St. Cloud Hospital will host a viewing and discussion of the 2019 American Foundation for Suicide Prevention Survivor Day film. *This Year's movie is Pathways To Healing: Hope after Suicide Loss* follows the family and friends of Chris Taddeo, a young adult who died by suicide. Together, they show the individual experiences a community of people can have after a shared loss: from confusion and denial, to isolation and finding support. Through their various approaches to grief and healing, each journey shares a message of hope, connection and resilience. This event is for anyone who has experienced the loss of a loved one through suicide. The event is from 1-3 p.m. Nov. 23, 2019 in the St. Cloud Hospital's Conference Center's Spruce Room (directions to the Spruce Room will be in the North Lobby and at the information desk.)

**Dine & Discover Wednesday November 20, 2019 from 11:30 to 1:** What will your journey entail? Presentation given By: Nancy Matlock RN Director and Angie Athman LSW for Horizon Health It is not a race anyone wants to win, or a fair ribbon most are seeking, but it is important to talk about. The end of life journey...if you start taking notes, you get to decide what path your journey will take.

**Soul Food:** A caregiver support group like no other. Come out to Sprout in Little Falls while you work with a chef prepare a meal that you can take home for you and your loved one. Enjoy conversation with other caregivers, led by a Social Worker from Horizon Health. Registration is required to make sure we have enough food. Call Kelsey at 320-468-2788 for more information.

**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.

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

**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!

**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.

**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!