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Feast of the Baptism of the Lord
January 13th, 2018
Give comfort to my people, says your God!

FR. KENNETH POPP - PASTOR
Fr. Popp's office hours are Wed. from 1-3 p.m.
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MASSES FOR THE WEEK:

Monday	Jan. 14	Villa	9:30 a.m.	Word/Communion Service
Tuesday	Jan. 15	Pierz	8:00 a.m.	Gerald "Jerry" Fischer
		Villa	9:30 a.m.	Word/Communion Service
Wednesday	Jan. 16	Buckman	8:00 a.m.	+Barbara A. Storkamp
		Villa	9:30 a.m.	+Catherine Meyer
Thursday	Jan. 17	Buckman	8:00 a.m.	Word/Communion Service
		Villa	9:30 a.m.	Word/Communion Service
Friday	Jan. 18	Pierz	8:30 a.m.	NO MASS & NO Word/Communion Service
		Buckman	8:30 a.m.	Word/Communion Service
		Villa	9:30 a.m.	+JoAnn Maus
Saturday	Jan. 19	Pierz	4:30 p.m.	+Mary Bayer (Adult Choir)
Sunday	Jan. 20	Pierz	8:00 a.m.	For the people of Parish (Folk Group)
		Buckman	10:00 a.m.	+Ted & Ann Pohlkamp / deceased family members

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.

From the Pastoral Associate: The Life led by Jesus Christ was the perfect life. It does not take long to locate in the gospels the teachings and examples of his personal qualities. He was humble. He was deliberately poor and uncomplicated. He was pure and taught purity of mind as well as body. He was hard working and dedicated. He was tough and blunt. He was always patient. He was given to constant daily prayer. He told his followers to stay away from negative judgments about others. He told them to be childlike in their simplicity. He taught his followers to be unselfish, always forgiving, to be forgetful of self and concerned about all others, and to carry the cross every day of life. May we ask the Holy Spirit to help us imitate our Lord Jesus Christ. Coming to the Area Catholic Mission might also help us too. ~~~ Michael Pekar

LOOKING AHEAD:

- *Jan. 17-25th - Fr. Popp will be on vacation.
- *Sat. Jan. 19th at the 4:30p.m. Mass Fr. David Maciej will be celebrating.
- *Sun. Jan. 20th for the 8a.m. & 10a.m. Masses Fr. Gerald Dalseth will be celebrating.

FOUR PARISH MISSION / RIDES: Sun., Jan. 13th - Wed., Jan. 16th @ 7:00 p.m. Our four area parishes will be hosting a time of renewal, one evening in each parish. Our speaker, Glen Gauer. If you need a ride, call Gary Matlock at 468-6396, Dale Biermen at 468-6225, Harvey Kimman at 320-248-9292, or Gary Solinger at 282-6932.

***Coffee & Donuts, St. Joseph's Church - Pierz,** after 8 a.m. Mass on Sun., Jan. 13th. Hosted by Confirmation students!

DINE AND DISCOVER January 15th, 8 hour class on Dementia from 8am- 4:30pm: Michele's class is a "must" to attend if you have family or a loved one dealing with Dementia. She will talk about the different types of dementia, strategies for communication, challenging behaviors and so much more. This class is free unless you need CEU's. Lunch will be provided. (Flyer included)

HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL: 468-6446

- *Toddler class is Wednesday, January 16 @ 6pm. Parents are welcome to bring children ages 2-4 to this fun interactive evening.
- *Holy Trinity will continue to sell gourmet coffee grown in Guatemala. The coffee is available for purchase at the school. We will have a supply on hand. Holy Trinity will make \$3 on each bag sold and \$10 goes to pay the farmers in Guatemala for the coffee beans.
- *End of the second quarter is Friday, January 18th. This is a workshop day.

MCCL is helping to sponsor the movie "Gosnell" at the Falls Cinema on January 25-31st. Based on the true story of the investigation and trial of Dr. Kermit Gosnell; convicted of first degree murder and other crimes related to his abortion clinic in Philadelphia. Call the theatre for show times 632-5646.

***MCCL 46th Annual Pro-Life Dinner** to be held at the Falls Ballroom on Sunday, January 27th. Chicken/Ham Dinner and all the trimmings followed by a short program, guest speakers, silent auction and drawings. Call Sue for more info or tickets at 320-630-7045.

ST. MICHAEL'S WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP:

Adult	\$2798.00
High School	\$ 6.00
Elementary	\$ 12.00
Plate	\$ 472.00
	\$3288.00

Thank you for your generosity!

MASS ATTENDANCE:

<u>St. Joseph's:</u>
Sat. 4:30 p.m.-265
Sun. 8:00 a.m.-266
<u>St. Michael's:</u>
Sun. 10:00 a.m.-301

ST. JOSEPH'S WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP:

Adult	\$6108.00
High School	\$ 7.00
Elementary	\$ 17.80
Plate	\$ 259.00
	\$6391.00

Thank you for your generosity!

ST. MICHAEL'S NEWS & ACTIVITIES:

SUNDAY - Jan. 20th @ 10:00 a.m.:

Lector - Jane Funk

Communion Ministers - Nicole Hoheisel & Debbie Hall

Servers - Jadyrn Dorn & Hunter Jacobson

January Ushers - Brian Stangl, Gregg Stangl, Todd Caddy

CHRIST CHILD BABY SHOWER: Baby items and money donations are needed for families in need. Sponsored by Buckman CW/M. Questions, call Cindy at 320-630-8410.

NEW LIFE IN CHRIST: Madison Jean, daughter of Mathew and Kristin Olding was baptized Dec. 30th. Congratulations and welcome to our community of faith!

CM/W MEETING, on Jan., 17th at St. Michael's Parish Center, at 1:00 p.m. Groups 7 & 8 will bring and serve refreshments. Questions, call Patty at 468-2487.

PAINTING PROJECT: If anyone has been missed for a pledge card or has any question, please contact Bill at 630-1471 or Roger at 630-6191. *Thank you!*

AREA EVENTS:

French Toast Breakfast, hosted by the Ramey Morrill Lions on Sun., Jan. 27th at the St. Joseph Hall in Morrill. Serving from 8:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. French toast, Thielen's sausage, scrambled eggs with fixings and hashbrowns. Proceeds go to Community Projects.

SEVEN SORROWS OF MARY ROSARY, at the Pierz Villa Chapel on Jan. 13th, 4p.m. We will pray for our country. All are welcome. Any questions please call Patty at 468-2487.

FREE THROW CONTEST: Jason Sadlovsky from the Nights of Columbus, will be doing the 2018-19 free throw contest again this year but we will not be going into individual practice like the past couple years. If you would like to participate in the contest please come to the gym Wed., Jan. 16th 5:30-7:30 p.m. You must be 9-14 years old as of Dec. 31st 2018 to participate. Any questions call or text Jason 320-360-0001. Thank-you!

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!

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.

ST. JOSEPH'S NEWS AND ACTIVITIES:

SAT. Jan. 19th @ 4:30 p.m. & SUN. 20th @ 8:00 a.m.:

Servers: Sat.- Michael & Sophie Leidenfrost

Sun.- Jack Prokott & Joelle Young

Weekday Lector: Mary Kimman

YOUTH CHOIR will sing on Sunday, February 3rd at 8am. We will practice on Monday January 28th from 6-7. All ages 4 and up are welcome to join us!

NEW LIFE IN CHRIST: Oliver Nathan, son of Erin Robinson, who was baptized on Jan 6th. Congratulations and welcome to our community of faith!

ST. JOSEPH'S QUILT CIRCLE will be quilting Monday January 21st starting at 9:00 a.m. Anyone interested in learning is welcome to join us. Like last year it will be come when you can, stay as long as you wish. Bring your own lunch.

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

Theology on Tap: Start the new year off by committing to grow in your faith. Come build connections with others and join young adults in their 20s and 30s for a fun night out. Our next Theology on Tap will be on Thursday, January 17 at A.T. The Black and White in Little Falls. Social hour with food and/or drinks begins at 7:00. Our speaker Joe Molitor will give a talk titled "Angels: Charming Cherubs and Mighty Warriors" at 8:00. Come learn more about angels and how they help us.

****HOLY TRINITY CALENDAR WINNERS****

Dec. 7th-Preston Saehr, Jan. 8th-Janice Stang, Jan. 9th-Barb Horvat, Jan. 10th-Nancy Lanners, Jan.11th-Clint & Jan Kimman, Jan. 12th-Jake Solinger (\$35 winners) Jan. 13th-Ashley Toops (\$75 Winner)

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!

SEVEN SISTERS APOSTOLATE: Do you have 1hr a 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 1yr term, praying for 1hr any day of the week you choose. Call Pam Evans @ 320-492-0289.

