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Office Hours: Mon, Tue, Thurs. 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Wed. 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Closed on Fridays.

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

St. John Nepomuk of Lastrup - Saturdays at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 10:45 a.m. Holy Cross Church of Harding - Sundays at 8:45 a.m.
<https://stjohnslastrup.org/> 320-468-2111 <https://hardingchurch.org/> 320-468-2111

MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 28th – APRIL 2nd

Tuesday, March 28

8:00 a.m. Pierz +Dale & Dominick Dahmen
 9:30 a.m. Villa Word/Communion Service (*only for Residents*)

Wednesday, March 29

8:00 a.m. Buckman +Jerome Fyten
 7:00 p.m. Buckman Stations of the Cross
 7-9:00 p.m. Buckman Eucharistic Adoration

Thursday, March 30

8:00 a.m. Buckman +Celestine "Cel" Gall
 9:30 a.m. Villa Word/Communion Service (*only for Residents*)

Friday, March 31 – HT School Mass: Mrs. Lanner's 2nd Grade Class

8:30 a.m. Pierz +Bob & Shirley Happke, & +Karla Scheel
 8:30 a.m. Buckman Word/Communion Service
 9:30 a.m. Villa +Lorraine Mischke (*Mass only for Residents*)
 4:00 p.m. Pierz Stations of the Cross & Benediction

Saturday, April 1

4:30 p.m. Pierz +John & Dorothy Schraut

Sunday, April 2 – Palm Sunday

8:00 a.m. Pierz +Joyce Leidenfrost, & For the People of the Parishes
 10:00 a.m. Buckman +Donald & Lucy Kelzenberg

ST. MICHAEL'S WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP

Adult	\$ 4,139.00
High School	\$ 9.00
Elementary	\$ 7.00
Plate	<u>\$ 165.50</u>
	\$ 4,320.50

Thank you for your generosity!

Mass attendance **March 19th Sunday:** 259

ST. JOSEPH'S WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP

Adult	\$ 5,232.00
High School	\$ 2.25
Elementary	\$ 8.00
Plate	<u>\$ 277.04</u>
	\$ 5,519.29

Thank you for your generosity!

Mass attendance **March 18th Saturday:** 266

Mass attendance **March 19th Sunday:** 190

HOLY TRINITY CALENDAR WINNERS

\$75.00: 3/19-Doris Uloth, **\$35.00:** 3/20-Marietta Maleski, 3/21-Sarah Klehr, 3/22-Mike & Jesse Cebulla, 3/23-Joe Lanners, 3/24-Tony Ratke, 3/25-Adam & Kelsy Poster

From the Pastor: The annual Chrism Mass will be at 7 p.m. Thursday, March 30, at St. Mary's Cathedral in St. Cloud. I wanted to share with you all more about the Chrism Mass. This special Mass gets its name from the chief anointing oil, the holy chrism, which can only be consecrated by the bishop. At the Chrism Mass, Bishop Patrick Neary will bless the oils that will be used for the sacraments of baptism, confirmation, holy orders and anointing of the sick. Also, at the Mass priests of the diocese renew their priestly vows. The holy chrism oil is used at the baptism of infants, in confirmation, to the anoint the hands of priests at their ordinations, to anoint a bishop-elect and to anoint the altar and church walls. The oil of the sick is used in anointing of the sick. The oil of catechumens is for those preparing for baptism through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. Everyone is welcome to attend this special Mass. ~ **Fr. Ken Popp**

CONFESSION TIMES FOR THE WEEK:

Tues. March 28th @ 12:00 p.m. Pierz & 7:30 p.m. Buckman
 Thurs. March 30th @ 7:30 a.m. Buckman
 Sat. April 1st @ 10:00 a.m. & @ 3:30 p.m. Pierz

EASTER TRIDUUM MASS TIMES:

*Thursday, April 6th at 7:30 p.m. in Pierz
 *Friday, April 7th at 1:00 p.m. in Pierz & 7:30 p.m. Buckman
 *Saturday, April 8th at 8 p.m. in Pierz
 *Sunday, April 9th at 8 a.m. in Pierz and 10 a.m. in Buckman

SPRING BLOSSOMS: Retreat for Women Saturday, April 22nd. 8:30 Mass. Guest speaker and music by Rae Harris Music. Luncheon at 11:30 a.m., at St. Elizabeth's of Hungary (Brennyville) 16454 125th Ave. N.E., Foley, MN 56329. This event is sponsored by the Women's Eastern Deanery. All are welcome; bring a friend! Contact: NitaHayes@live.com or (320) 630-0388, re: \$10 registration by April 17th for luncheon & event. St. Michael's CM/W call Candace Stangl at 320-282-9073 and St. Joseph's CM/W call Jo Loidolt at 630-6088 before April 15th if you would like your registration paid.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULES: Palm Sunday and Holy Week

Mass time schedules from area parishes as well as the server, communion minister, lector and usher schedules for St. Joseph's and St. Michael's are in this week's bulletin insert. There will also be extra copies located at the church entrances.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY: Please join us for Divine Mercy Sunday, April 16th from 1 to 4 p.m. at St. Michael's Church in Buckman. We will be talking on Divine Mercy, praying the rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet, and having adoration from 1 to 4 p.m. There will be testimonies, confessions, and quiet time along with benediction and blessing of religious items. You may come and go at any time.

MASS SERVER PARTY: There will be a Mass servers party on Thursday, March 30th from 3:15-5p.m. at the Pierz Bowling Center. The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring this party for all servers from Pierz, Buckman, Lastrup, and Harding. All food, drinks, games and bowling are paid for.

PIERZ LIONS ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT: Sat., April 8th at 11a.m. at the Pioneer Elementary Playground in Pierz.

ST. MICHAEL'S NEWS & ACTIVITIES:

SUN. APR. 2 @ 10:00 a.m.

Lector: Janice Janson

Communion Ministers: Nathan Gruber & Randi Kranz

Servers: William Stangl & Owen Stangl

Ushers for Apr.: Brian Stangl, Gregg Stangl & Todd Caddy

SCHEDULES AVAILABLE: Copies of the March-June lector, eucharistic minister, and server schedules are located at both entrances of the church.

HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL: 468-6446

***ANNUAL CARNIVAL-** Sunday, March 26, 2023. 11:00 am - 3:00 pm in the HT gym. Games, Raffles, Food, Sweet Shop. Grand Raffle begins at 3:00pm.

***DISCOVERY NIGHT-** Tuesday, March 28, 2023. 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm. Families with students 3 1/2 - 5 years old and families looking to invest in a Catholic education for their children in grades K-6 are invited to check out what Holy Trinity has to offer.

***CAMP FOLEY PANCAKE BREAKFAST-** Sunday, April 2, 2023, 8:30am-12:00pm, Buckman Parish Hall.

***COFFEE-** Guatemalan coffee is always available for purchase at the school. Regular (ground or bean) \$13.00, in French, Dark, or Medium Roast. Decaf (ground or bean) \$14.00.

FPSR NEWS: 468-2640

*Wednesday, March 29 – SH Adoration & dodgeball night 5:30-7:30 p.m.

AREA NEWS:

***Fish Fry-Sts Peter & Paul Catholic Church, Gilman,** March 31. Dine-In or Take-out. Free Will Offering. \$10 per meal @ Drive Thru 4-6:30. Fish, potato, veggies, fresh bread, salad & dessert.

***Ham Bingo, Holy Family Parish (Belle Prairie), Little Falls,** April 2 at 1:30 p.m. 20 games for \$5 and 2 blackouts for an additional \$1 a card/game. Over 22 door prizes, \$100 blackout prize and door prizes for the children.

***Annual Men's Ham Dinner, Christ the King Church, Browerville,** April 2, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Adults \$10, Children 6-12 \$5, 5 and under Free. Takeout meals available by calling the parish office at 320-594-6114 before March 31, or you may call the church basement at 320-594-6313 on Sunday morning. Handicap Accessible. Come and enjoy a delicious meal prepared by the men of the parish. St. Ann's Mission Sale in CTK School - 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

***Fr. Ken Popp's Retirement and 40th Anniversary, St. Joseph's Church, Pierz,** Sunday, June 4th with a 10:30 a.m. Mass, lunch to follow.

CHERISHING MEMORIES SUPPORT GROUP: Emblom Brenny Funeral Service, 900 1st Street SE, Little Falls, (320) 632-4393. Group Dates: April 3, April 10, April 17, April 24, May 1 from 6 to 8 P.M. Please call to register: 320-632-4393. All are welcome to attend!

ST. MARY'S CHOIR TO PRESENT "VIA CRUCIS": St. Mary's Cathedral is pleased to announce the performance of "Via Crucis," a choral and organ work by Franz Liszt. This special Stations of the Cross features Dr. Charles Echols on the organ and the Cathedral choir. It will be held on Friday, March 31, at 7:00 pm. All are welcome in the upper church of St. Mary's Cathedral in St. Cloud for this free performance.

ST. JOSEPH'S NEWS & ACTIVITIES:

Weekday Lector: March 28th: Harvey Kimman

FRI., MAR. 31 - Stations of the Cross @ 4:00 p.m.

Servers: Camren Waytashek & Alison Gross

SAT. APR. 1 @ 4:30 p.m. & SUN. APR. 2 @ 8:00 a.m.

Communion Ministers: Sat. – Mary Schraut, Barb Zajac & Mason Zajac. ***Choir*** – Kristie Kroll

Sun. – Marvin Kimman, Courtney Kroll & Tarynn Dorn

Servers: Saturday – Joey Stuckmayer & Madison Gross

Sunday – Elizabeth & Anna Stumpf

Lectors for April: Sat. – Tracy Voigt, **Sun.-** Karen Gross

Ushers for April: **Saturday** – Dennis Zajac, Robbie Becker, Joe Kasper & Jon Stumpf. **Sunday** – James Gruber, Gerard Kimman, Dan Loscheider & Jeff Virnig

AT PEACE WITH GOD: *Marilyn Schreiner* passed away on March 15th. A Mass of Christian Burial was held on Monday, March 20th at St. Joseph's Church with burial in the parish cemetery. We extend our sympathy to the families and assure them of our prayerful support.

PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS: We will be having parish council elections April 22nd and 23rd. If you are interested in being on the parish council, please inform the parish office by April 17th. Thank you!

THANK YOU: To the Catholic Foundation for the Diocese of St. Cloud for last year's grant that was used to purchase new materials for our church's faith study groups. If you are interested in joining these groups, watch for announcements in the bulletin. Any questions, call the parish office at 468-6033.

ST. JOSEPH'S CM/W: Our next meeting will be our Salad Supper on Wednesday, April 12th at 6pm in the church basement. We will be acknowledging our 40 year and beyond members. We will also be installing new members at this meeting. If you would like to become a member, please contact Jo Loidolt 630-6088 or Rachel Young 630-3630. Members, please bring a dish to share.

ST JOSEPH'S QUILT CIRCLE: We will be quilting on Monday, March 27th at 1 p.m. and Thursday, March 30th at 9 a.m. Come and go as you can. As Spring is nearing (we hope), we would like to get a count of finished quilts. If you have some done at home and have not brought them in yet, please do so soon or let Eileen 320-360-2434 or Chris 320-468-2164 know how many you have for us. Thank you very much.

HELP NEEDED: For the St. Joseph's Building and Maintenance Raffle and German Dinner on Friday, April 14.

Kitchen Help: 1-4pm - 1 person. **Dishwashers:** 11am-1pm - 2 people; 1-3pm – 2 people; 3-5pm – 2 people, 5 to Closing - 3 people. If you are able to help, please call Karla Stumpf at 320-360-3180 or 320-468-6516.

Annual Building & Maintenance Raffle & German

Dinner: Friday, April 14th at the Pierz Ballroom. Social hour is 5-6:30p.m. Authentic German Dinner at 6:30p.m. Dinner is \$25 per person and includes 2 drinks. Raffle drawing follows dinner. Raffle and dinner tickets are available at the parish office, select local businesses, as well as after weekend Masses. The cutoff day to buy dinner tickets is April 2nd/Palm Sunday.

ST. JOSEPH'S CD & BOOKLET KIOSK: There have been many new booklets and CDs added in the kiosk on the wall opposite the elevator in the south entrance to the church.

BAZAAR: We are looking for new or gently used items for the Country Store as well as cash donations for the Kids Games. Any questions, please ask Michelle Herold at 468-2461.

CENTRAL MN KOINONIA: The saying goes "when the going gets tough, the tough get going." Do you know what to do in times of trouble? CENTRAL MINNESOTA KOINONIA is a weekend Catholic retreat program sponsored by the St Cloud Diocese and is designed for adults to help you on your faith journey. The next retreat is scheduled for May 5-7, 2023, at the TEC Center north of Little Falls, Minnesota. Cost of the weekend is \$70. Go to www.centralmnkoinonia.org for more information and to register for retreats.

THEOLOGY DAY: The biblical idea of "the image and likeness of God" is fundamental to Christian doctrine, since Christ is the revelation not only of the Word of God, but also of the Image of God. In the presence of actual icons, we will explore the ways in which Theology in line and color, in gestures and gazes, invites not only contemplation but participation in God's closeness, vulnerability, and total involvement with us. March 31, presentation from 9am -1pm, Emmaus Hall, Saint John's University, Collegeville. Free event. Registration required: www.collegevilleMN.com/theologyday, 320-363-3560 or theologyday@csbsju.edu.

LITURGICAL MINISTRY: If anyone is interested in helping their parish by becoming an usher, eucharistic minister, server, or lector, please call the office at 468-6033 or email us at stjoes@midco.net.

Invitation To The Pilgrimage Of The Holy Family: The Christian Mothers/Women invite you to participate in the Spiritual Pilgrimage of the Holy Family via the picture of the Holy Family. The host family invites the blessed Holy Family picture into their home and commits to praying the chaplet of the Holy Family each day for a week. The chaplet takes about seven minutes. Prayer partners in union with the host family petition the Holy Family to intercede for the intentions of the host family, by praying the chaplet each day. This would make a great Lenten activity for your family! To sign up to pray the chaplet in your home, call Joanne at 320-290-1579.

TEC RETREATS: What is a TEC Retreat? How Do I sign up? TEC – Together Encountering Christ is a three-day retreat supported by the St. Cloud Diocese. The retreat is intended for both youth (age 16+) and adults and is modeled after the Paschal Mystery - the Easter message of death, resurrection and sending forth. Youth will often credit TEC for giving meaning to their faith life, purpose to their everyday life, and a commitment to living their life for Christ. Check out what others have experienced by participating in an upcoming TEC weekend. For information and registration details, visit the website at www.cmtec.org or call (320)532.4455.

FOSTER CARE NEEDED: Morrison County is in need of foster care and respite providers. For more information, contact Krista Theisen 320-632-0229 or Kim DeZurik at 320-

632-0278. kristat@co.morrison.mn.us, kimd@co.morrison.mn.us.

GIRLS SUMMER CAMP: Girls, God and Good Times, 3G, is a Benedictine summer camp, offered by the Sisters at Saint Benedict's Monastery. It will be offered June 19-21 for girls currently in 4th - 5th grade and July 17-19 for girls currently in grades 6th - 12th. It's an opportunity to grow in faith, make new friends, spend time with Sisters and have fun! For more information and to register visit:

<https://sbm.osb.org/ministries/3g-camp/>