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Second Sunday of Lent

February 25, 2018

It is your face, O Lord, that I seek!

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	Feb. 26	Villa	9:30 a.m.	Word/Communion Service
Tuesday	Feb. 27	Pierz	8:00 a.m.	+St. Joseph's Christian Mothers/Women
		Villa	9:30 a.m.	Word/Communion Service
Wednesday	Feb. 28	Buckman	8:00 a.m.	+Lavern Jutz-Girtz
		Villa	9:30 a.m.	+Raymond Stangl
		Buckman	7:00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross
Thursday	Mar. 1	Buckman	8:00 a.m.	+Emily Dehler
		Villa	9:30 a.m.	Word/Communion Service
Friday	Mar. 2	Pierz	8:30 a.m.	+Harvey Hoheisel / Holy Trinity School Mass
		Buckman	8:30 a.m.	Word/Communion Service
		Villa	9:30 a.m.	+Leo Perleberg
		Pierz	4:00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross & Benediction
Saturday	Mar. 3	Pierz	4:30 p.m.	Steven E. Bayer (Mike & Adult Choir)
Sunday	Mar. 4	Pierz	8:00 a.m.	For the People of the Parishes (Folk Group)
		Buckman	10:00 a.m.	+Donald Collins

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 Pastor: I want to keep my letter short and all I ask is how is your Lent coming along? Are you fasting from fish on Friday's of Lent? Have you spoken to the children about giving something up for Lent? Are your children putting money into the Rice Bowl for the poor? Remember the Rice Bowl donations can be brought up to the Cross on Good Friday. Are families making an effort to come to stations of the cross and Eucharistic Adoration? Remember also how important it is to come to confession during Lent. My Letter that you received in the mail has all the times for confession. Don't let the days of Lent pass by without doing anything. Lent is that time to prepare for Easter. ~ Fr. Ken Popp

AREA EVENTS:

- ***Quilt or Cash Bingo-St. Rita's, Hillman:** Sun. Feb. 25, at 1:30p.m. Door prizes! Free lunch after the games.
- ***Lenten Fish Fry-Immaculate Conception Church, Rice:** Fri. Mar. 2, 9, 16, & 23 from 5-7:30p.m. Take out orders available, call 393-3560 (between 4:30-7p.m.)
- ***St. Joseph's Church, Pierz;** Social Concerns Committee will be serving Donuts after Mass at Sun. Mar. 4th
- ***Catholic United Financial Ham Bingo:** on Sun. March 4, starting at 1p.m. at the St. Michael's Parish Center.
- ***All You Can Eat Breakfast!-Bethany Lutheran Church, Ramey:** Sun., Mar. 4 from 9-11:30a.m. Free Will Offering.
- ***St. Joseph's Parish, Morrill:** Lenten Fish Fries, Parish Hall, Fri. Mar. 9th, from 4:30-7p.m.
- ***Fish Fry-Holy Cross Center, Onamia:** Fri. Mar. 9 & 23, from 4:30-7p.m. (kids under 6 eat free)
- ***Friday Night Fish Fry-St. Elizabeth Church, Brennyville:** Fri. March 16 from 4:30-7p.m. Take out orders available, proceeds going towards the Handicap Ramp.
- ***St. Michael's Christian M/W Quilt Bingo/Raffle:** Sun. March 18, at 1p.m. at Buckman Parish Center. Mark your calendars!
- ***Holy Name Men's Group of Holy Cross Church, Harding:** Annual ham bingo on Sun, March 18, at 1:30PM in the church basement. Cash prizes, and don't forget the "Man-Made" lunch!

Social Concern committee of St. Joseph's & St. Michael's invites you down for coffee and muffins after 8A.M. Mass on March 4. A Chance to socialize and also there will be some information available about Social Concerns. *Thank you!*

"Festival of Forgiveness" Friday March 2nd

St. Mary's in Little Falls - 9:30 a.m. till 10:00 p.m.

Sts. Peter & Paul in Gilman from 10:00 a.m. till 10:00 p.m.

Lenten Healing Mass at the National Shrine of St. Odilia

The Crosier Fathers and Brothers invite you to join them for a Lenten Healing Mass at the National Shrine of St. Odilia in Onamia on [Sunday, March 11, 9:30 a.m.](#) The Mass will include the Anointing of the Sick and a ritual blessing with the relic of St. Odilia. All are welcome!

EXTRA CONFESSIONS FOR THIS WEEK:

Tues, Feb. 27th - Buckman at 6:30p.m.

ST. MICHAEL'S WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP:

Adult	\$2570.00
High School	\$ 16.00
Elementary	\$ 21.25
Plate	<u>\$ 244.00</u>
	\$2851.25

Thank you for your generosity!

MASS ATTENDANCE:

<u>St. Joseph's:</u>
Sat. 4:30p.m. - 182
Sun. 8:00a.m. - 226
<u>St. Michael's:</u>
Sun. 10:00a.m. - 310

ST. JOSEPH'S WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP:

Adult	\$6839.00
High School	\$ 28.60
Elementary	\$ 39.23
Plate	<u>\$ 251.10</u>
	\$7157.93

Thank you for your generosity!

ST. MICHAEL'S NEWS & ACTIVITIES:

SUNDAY - March 4 @ 10:00 a.m.

Lector-Paula Rocheleau

Communion Ministers-Leo Pohlkamp & Dean Rocheleau

Servers-Leah Scholl & Ben Leidenfrost

March Ushers-Grant Stangl, Nathan Gruber, Shane Zilka

CM/W Bingo/Raffle on March 18: The raffle chances the members received, are for a Queen sized quilt, Bargello pattern, in aqua/teal/white color shades. If you need extra chances, let Janel Meyer know. *Thank you!*

THANK YOU: A big "Thank you" to the ladies from groups 1&2 who came to clean church. **Great Job!!**

FUNERAL GROUPS: Copies of the groups are at all enters of the church.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE: Sat. Mar 10th from 9:30a.m.-3p.m, Church of St. Anthony, St. Cloud. For info. and to register visit www.stcdio.org/womensconference18 or call 320-252-4721. (St. Michael's, Buckman CM/W will pay reg. fee for their members.) Deadline for reg. is Mar. 3rd.

Pierz Pizzazz Dance Team 3rd annual soup cook-off and silent auction fundraiser on Mar 10, at 5PM at The Pierz Ballroom. Presale tickets are \$10 for adults, \$5 for students, and can be purchased from any Pizzazz Dancer. There will be games, music, split the pot, and much more! To enter a soup or donate an auction item, contact Jackie @ [320-232-0539](tel:320-232-0539).

FPSR 468-2640

**Pizza Ranch Fundraiser on Wed, Feb 28th from 5-8pm. Come eat at Pizza Ranch and support the students going to Steubenville!

**March for Life on Wed March 7th for Senior High Youth Group. We will be marching for life at Planned Parenthood in St. Cloud. Bus leaves FPSR 5pm.

HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL NEWS 468-6446

Registration for the 2018-19 school year begins in March. Open house at 6pm on Mon, March 5th for preschool and new families who would like to know more about Holy Trinity School. For more information call the school office 468-6446.

**Holy Trinity staff has a Diocesan workshop on Monday, February 26th, no school for students.

*Holy Trinity State of the School parent meeting is at 6:30 pm on Monday, February 26th. The school board will report on the school's strategic plan and finances.

**The school carnival is scheduled for 11-3 on Sunday, March 11th. Mark your calendars. Raffle tickets are for sale.

Donations are being taken for silent auction items, bingo, toy walk, shake-rattle-roll, and country store. Items can be left at door #1 entrance into school.

ST. JOSEPH'S NEWS AND ACTIVITIES:

Mass Attendance for Ash Wed. 2/14

8:30 a.m. - 412 / 5:30 p.m. 229

SERVERS FOR STATIONS OF THE CROSS:

Fri. Mar. 2 @ 4:00p.m.-Colton & Rachel Kasper

MARCH - Sat. 3 @ 4:30p.m. & Sun. 4 @ 8:00 a.m.:

Servers: Sat.- Reagan Winscher & Brooke Athman

Sun.- Cody Kimman & Thomas Mayer

Weekday Lector: Harvey Kimman

COMMUNION MINISTERS FOR MARCH: Sat-Marvin

Kimman, Marilyn Dorn, Doris Thyen, Choir-Kristie Kroll.

Sun.-Matt Kessler, Wanda Kapsner, Jan Kimman.

LECTORS FOR MARCH:

Sat.- Mark Fyten, Sun.- Harvey Kimman

USHERS FOR MARCH: Sat.-John Kurtz, Neal Kimman,

Jeremy Virnig, Allan Kroll. Sun.-Neil Korf, Floyd Mathiowetz,

Larry Etzel, Jason Sadlovsky.

FOLK GROUP CHOIR PRACTICE:

Thurs. March 1 at 6:30p.m.

TYING QUILTS: St. Joseph's Village South East Quilting group will be tying quilts on Tues. Feb. 27 at 9a.m. until 3p.m.

Everyone is welcome to help. There will be a noon Pot luck. Call Geri Boser 320-260-4817 for more information.

MCCL QUILT: This year is the year for St Joseph's Parish to make the Quilt for the MCCL raffle. We will be starting to hand stitch it on Monday March 5 in the Parish House basement. Any Questions call Eileen at 320-260-2434.

FOUND AT CHURCH: A Rosary was found on Wed. Feb. 21, if anyone is missing their Rosary please call the parish office at 468-6033

BUILDING & MAINTENANCE RAFFLE: tickets available for sale after all masses. Also in the parish office, from parish council members & local businesses

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

Feb. 19-Tim Happke, Feb. 20-Teddy Dehler, Feb. 21-Nora Poginy, Feb. 22-Rose Hoffman, Feb. 23-Todd Weyer, Feb. 24-Todd Burns (\$35 winners) Feb. 25-Hannah Hoheisel (\$75 winner)

The Franciscan Sisters of Little Falls and the Franciscan

Associates: Lenten Day of Reflection, "Holy Saturday: The Space Between Death and Resurrection", Sat, March 10, 9:30 a.m. - 3 p.m., in St. Francis Hall at St. Francis Convent, Little Falls. No cost to attend; free-will donations. For more information or to register by March 1, contact Joan Wingert at (320)632-0693 or jwingert@fslf.org.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter The next weekend is Apr 13-15, 2018 in Baxter, MN. For more information, call Alan & Missy Block at 888-455-3496 or visit them at northmnwwme.org.

ARE YOU A SINGLE CATHOLIC WOMAN : under the age of 45? Would you be interested in spending a day at Saint Benedict's Monastery? We are offering the following opportunities for this experience. All the dates are scheduled on a Sat, Mar 10, & April 14, 2018. The time is from 9a.m.-3:30 pm. There is no cost for this one day experience. If you are interested, please contact Sister Lisa Rose at 320-363-7180 or email her at lrose@csbsju.edu.

ARE YOU GOING TO THE HOSPITAL IN ST. CLOUD? Even if you sign the paper that you would like a visit by the parish, we rarely get called. **If you would like a visit from Father Popp or Michael Pekar, please call the church at 468-6033** and leave us a message where or when you are going to be admitted. *Thank you!*

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

LOOKING FOR CLEANERS: We are looking for at least 2 parishioners or cleaning persons who would be interested in cleaning the church on a regular bases. It would be a paid position. If anyone is interested please contact the parish office 468-6033.

The Foundations of Faith Community Nursing Class at Grace United Methodist Church, St. Cloud, April 16-20. The goal is to increase the number of faith community nurses in churches; promoting the well-being of faith community members by helping them to access health care with the support of clergy, the faith community nurse, and the church ministry team. \$450 Scholarships are available. The course is required for currently licensed RN's who want to practice as Faith Community Nurses. Call St. Cloud Hospital Parish Health Ministries Program, 320-249-0280 for information.

Join Catholics from across Minnesota for Capitol 101.: On **March 16th**, and **April 17th**, gather with fellow MN Catholics at the State Capitol to experience the lawmaking process, learn how you can plug in as a faithful citizen, and pray for your legislators. Pre-registration is required. For more information and to register visit MNCatholic.org. A free-will offering will be accepted.

Koinonia is a retreat opportunity for people to encounter Jesus Christ through an experience of Christian community. The theme of the Koinonia weekend is the Paschal Mystery – the death and resurrection of Jesus. We take this central teaching of our faith and show how it applies to our daily lives. He calls us each by name...to be one with each other. Join us in this Christian living experience designed especially for adults age 20 and older. Retreats are held in Belle Prairie at the TEC center 3 miles north of Little Falls. The next retreat will be held on March 2-4, 2018. Fr. Ernie Martello, will be the Spiritual Director. The weekend starts at 5:30 pm Friday and ends Sunday afternoon. Applications can be downloaded from the website: centralmnkoinonia.org or by calling Dorie Reiter at 320-217-2476. Or send an email to cmkoinonia@gmail.com to get an application. Cost of the weekend is \$70. Scholarships are available for those in need.

DEMENTIA: If you are a caregiver and want to learn more about aging and Dementia Horizon Health is offering a class on Tue. Mar. 13 from 8a.m.-4:30p.m. Lunch will be provided. Call 468-6451 for more information.

K-YES Catholic Radio: @1180AM, Learn more about your Catholic faith.