

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

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**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

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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. Parish office number 468-6033.

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

St. John Nepomuk of Lastrup - Saturdays at 8p.m. and Sundays at 10:45a.m. Holy Cross Church of Harding - Sundays at 8:45a.m.

<https://stjohnslastrup.org/> 320-468-2111

<https://hardingchurch.org/> 320-468-2111

**MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 15<sup>th</sup> – NOVEMBER 20<sup>th</sup>**

**Tuesday, November 15**

8:00 a.m. Pierz +Lloyd Hayes-deceased family member of Nita & Doug Hayes

9:30 a.m. Villa Word/Communion Service (*only for Residents*)

**Wednesday, November 16**

8:00 a.m. Buckman +Frances “Fran” Matvick

7-8 p.m. Buckman Eucharistic Adoration

**Thursday, November 17**

8:00 a.m. Buckman Catholic United Financial Members

9:30 a.m. Villa Word/Communion Service (*only for Residents*)

**Friday, November 18 – HT School Mass: Ms. Cherne’s 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Class**

8:30 a.m. Pierz +Ray Poepping & +Adam Gall

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

9:30 a.m. Villa +Mildred Gruber (*Mass only for Residents*)

3-6:00 p.m. Pierz Eucharistic Adoration

**Saturday, November 19**

4:30 p.m. Pierz +Jeanne, Martin & Alan Stang (*Sonar Worship Band*)

**Sunday, November 20**

8:00 a.m. Pierz +Ed & Hildegard Kimman

10:00 a.m. Buckman +Roy Gall, & For the People of the Parishes

**ST. MICHAEL'S WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP**

Adult	\$ 3,778.00
High School	\$ 7.00
Elementary	\$ 8.00
Plate	<u>\$ 486.75</u>
	\$ 4,279.75

*Thank you for your generosity!*

Mass attendance **November 6<sup>th</sup>** Sunday: 243

**ST. JOSEPH'S WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP**

Adult	\$ 8,537.71
High School	\$ 7.25
Elementary	\$ 26.25
Plate	<u>\$ 941.50</u>
	\$ 9,512.71

*Thank you for your generosity!*

**Nov. 1 Tues. 8:30am: 266, 5:30pm: 146, Nov. 5 Sat. 4:30pm: 114, 8pm:129, Nov. 6 Sun.: 201**

**HOLY TRINITY CALENDAR WINNERS**

11/06/22	\$75.00	Lisa Schultz
11/07/22	\$35.00	Mike Biersch
11/08/22	\$35.00	Kayla Pohlkamp
11/09/22	\$35.00	Kathy Tetrick
11/10/22	\$35.00	Hannah Kahl
11/11/22	\$35.00	Nicole Matlock
11/12/22	\$35.00	Diana Meyer

**CONFESSIONS:** Buckman, Thurs. - 7:30 a.m. Pierz, Sat. - 3:30 p.m. or by appt.

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**From the Pastor:** We are filled with joy that Julie Laflamme, Administrator at FPSR, won The Andy Hilger ThrowFire Award. The Andy Hilger ThrowFire Award is presented annually by K•Yes Relevant Radio to those who have worked with extraordinary dedication to bring the Good News and hope of Christ to all souls. The award recipients exemplify the virtues of charity, generosity, hope, apostolic zeal, and love for the Truth. Congratulations to this year's award winner, Julie Laflamme, from Father Pierz School of Religion. You may find the video of her receiving this award under our parish website, [www.stjosephs-stmichaels.org](http://www.stjosephs-stmichaels.org). Again, on behalf of our Area Catholic Community, we are very proud of Julie for winning this award. Congratulations Julie!

*~Fr. Ken Popp & ~Fr. Jose Chettoor*

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**Happy Birthday Wishes!** To Fr. Ken Popp who will be celebrating his 70<sup>th</sup> birthday on Monday, November 14<sup>th</sup>.

**PRAYER BLANKETS:** Prayer Blankets are available at the parish office. Giving a prayer blanket can give comfort to the sick and suffering. When receiving a prayer blanket, they know that they are not alone, but covered in prayers. This ministry is committed to pray for the recipients as we prepare the blankets - then Father blesses them. Donations can be left with the parish secretary.

**BOXES OF JOY:** THIS WEEKEND is our final drop off weekend! We'll be available to collect your filled boxes at the St. Joseph's Parish Office ~ Fri Nov 11, 4-6pm, Sat Nov 12, 12-4pm and Sun Nov 13, from 9am-1pm. Thank you for all the donations made! God bless you!

**RING FOUND:** There was a ring found at the south entry of St. Joseph's Church in Pierz. If the ring belongs to you, please call the parish office at (320) 468-6033. Thank you.

**BEST ADVENT EVER:** Most people spend the time leading up to Christmas feeling overwhelmed, stressed, and stuck. Caught in the complexity and busyness of the holiday season, we end up striving for all the things that aren't worth having. It's no wonder the beauty, meaning, joy and life-changing power of Christmas has become lost! This year, do something different. Reclaim the peace that can only come from simplicity this Christmas. Sign up for BEST ADVENT EVER and receive short, inspiring videos in your inbox every morning for free to help you focus your day on what matters most. Please sign up at [www.dynamiccatholic.com](http://www.dynamiccatholic.com)

**THANKSGIVING DINNER:** Pierz Dining Center, Thursday Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>. Music by Harding Guitar Group at 3:30. Turkey Dinner served at 5. Everyone 60 years of age or handicapped is encouraged to attend. There are never any income limits to attend any meals at the Center. Please RSVP to 320-468-2160 by November 14<sup>th</sup> to reserve your meal. Space is limited so call early. The suggested donation for the meal is \$5.00.

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

**SUN., NOV. 20 @ 10:00 a.m.**

**Lector:** Janice Janson

**Communion Ministers:** Connie Kieffer & Donna Solinger

**Servers:** Quinn Gruber & Weston Hoheisel

**Ushers for Nov.:** Frank Hoheisel, Steve Kahl, Mick Gruber

**NEW LIFE IN CHRIST:** *Miriam Evangeline*, daughter of Dwight Przybilla & April Legatt, was baptized on Sunday, November 6<sup>th</sup>. Congratulations and welcome to our community of faith!

**CHOIR NEWS:** Choir practice Saturday, November 12<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. in church. Choir will sing on Sunday, November 13<sup>th</sup>.

**FINANCE & PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS:** Thurs. Nov. 17<sup>th</sup> in the parish center. Finance at 8 pm & Parish at 8:30 pm.  
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**HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL: 468-6446**

\***GIVING TREE-** Our Giving Tree is up! If you are interested in helping out families, please stop by the school from 7:30-3:30, Mon-Fri to grab tags. Gifts must be returned, unwrapped, to the office by December 2. Thank you in advance for your kindness and generosity.

\***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**

\*Nov. 16<sup>th</sup> – SH Bowling (LF Bowling Alley) 5:30-7:30 p.m.

\*FPSR will be hosting the **Sonar Worship Band** from Steubenville at the 4:30pm Mass Saturday, November 19th in St. Joseph's Church. Sonar will be leading the music for Mass, followed by praise & worship, and adoration. All are welcome!

**COMMUNITY ED:** Pierz Community Education is offering several classes for adults. Please check them out if you need to renew your defensive driving course for an insurance discount, want to walk the halls at school during winter months or learn how to create a charcuterie board for your next social event. Call Sarah Funk at 320-468-6458 for more information.

**PIERZ VILLA:** Now that covid restrictions are starting to ease up a little in healthcare, Pierz Villa is welcoming volunteers who would like to help out while enriching the lives of nursing home residents and at the same time having fun yourself. Contact Joanie in Activities if you would like to be a part of the fun environment at Pierz Villa. Or fill out an employment application if you're interested in a paid position. We have a cook position open as well as nursing department opportunities.

**WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER:** You've celebrated a few anniversaries...maybe MANY. You've been through some ups and downs and you have learned a lot about each other. But what if there's more to your marriage than you've ever realized? Experience a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend and discover the beauty of your relationship. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are Feb 4-5, 2023 in Saint Paul, MN and Feb 10-12, 2023 in Buffalo, MN. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: [northmnwwme.org](http://northmnwwme.org) or contact Miki at [applications@northmnwwme.org](mailto:applications@northmnwwme.org) or 507-227-8229.

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

**Weekday Lector: November 15<sup>th</sup>:** Mary Kimman

**SAT, NOV. 19 @ 4:30 p.m. & SUN, NOV. 20 @ 8:00 a.m.**

**Communion Ministers:** Sat.– Jan Dahmen, Kristie Virnig & Kelly Becker. **Choir** – Kerri Kasper

**Sun.** – Marilyn Virnig, Mary Tschida & Wanda Kapsner

**Servers: Sat.** – Kahlee & Rachel Kasper

**Sun.** – Garrett & Oliver Kessler

**Lectors for Nov.:** Sat.- Tracy Voigt, **Sun.-** Harvey Kimman

**Ushers for November:** Sat. – Lee Maus, Steve Boser, Andy Kapsner & Mathew Stumpf. **Sun.** – Jim Gerwing, Daniel Loidolt, Mike Stangl & Steve Maus.

**AT PEACE WITH GOD:** *Alcuin "Bumpy" Faust* passed away on November 1<sup>st</sup>. A Mass of Christian Burial was held on Friday, November 4<sup>th</sup> at St. Joseph's Church with burial in the parish cemetery. *Rosetta Weber* passed away on November 2<sup>nd</sup>. A Mass of Christian Burial was held on Saturday, November 5<sup>th</sup> 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.

**CM/W:** St. Joseph's Christian Mothers/Women are looking for a Vice President. It is a great opportunity to be involved in your parish. Please pray on this and if interested, call Marilyn at 320-630-9321.

**ST JOSEPH'S QUILT CIRCLE:** We will be quilting on Monday, November 14<sup>th</sup> at 1 pm and Thursday, November 17<sup>th</sup> at 9 am. Come and go as you can. Again, we are looking for quilt tops. We do have some that need some finishing touches. Any help is much appreciated. Questions call Eileen 320-360-2434 or Chris 320-468-2164.

**SHELVING NEEDED:** The ladies of St. Joseph's Quilting Circle are in need of open shelving. If anyone wants to donate a shelf, please call the parish office at 468-6033.

**QUILT BINGO:** Quilt Bingo, Sunday, November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022, at 1 p.m. at Holy Trinity School gym in Pierz. Free lunch and door prizes. You choose your quilt when you are a winner. Sponsored by St. Joseph's Church, Pierz. This is a Catholic United Financial (CAA) Matching Grant Fundraiser.  
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**AREA NEWS:**

\***Christmas Fair, St Mary of Mount Carmel, Long Prairie,** Saturday, November 19, 9am - 2 pm. Includes theme baskets, raffle, bake sale, crafters, patio pots, dollar tree items, and food (rolls, chicken soup, sloppy joes, and desserts).

\***Fight Hunger Concert, St. Mary's Cathedral, St. Cloud,** Saturday, Nov. 19 at 7 p.m. "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing" benefit concert and food drive. Admission is free. Non-perishable food items and free-will donations accepted to benefit Catholic Charities food shelf.

\***Breakfast, St. Anthony's Parish Center, St. Cloud,** Sunday, November 20, 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. Fresh and smoked sausage, ham, scrambled eggs, pancakes with fruit toppings, fresh fruit, rolls hash browns, coffee, milk and orange juice. Adults \$10, grades 7-12 \$5 and ages preschool to grade 6 eat free.

\***Turkey Bingo, Holy Family Fellowship Hall, Little Falls,** Sunday, November 20 at 1:30. 20 Bingo Games for \$2, 2 Blackout Games \$1 a card. Over 27 Door Prizes. \$100 for Blackout. Prizes for children will be drawn!

**CUF AGENT OPENING:** Catholic United Financial is looking for professionals with sales experience to join our team. You will be supported with an established book of business, marketing and tech assistance, ongoing paid licensure and training, a team-based mentoring model, plus unlimited income potential for individuals willing to put in the effort to succeed. Best of all, you will support the Catholic communities and schools around you in the Pierz/Little Falls area. Call us today to review the full career opportunities we offer at 1-800-568-6670, or apply now at [catholicunitedfinancial.org/salescareers](http://catholicunitedfinancial.org/salescareers).

**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](http://www.cmtec.org) or call (320)532.4455.

**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. This spiritual journey is a journey of the host family in union with prayer partners. 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. To sign up to pray the chaplet in your home, call Joanne at 320-290-1579.