ST. JOSEPH'S & ST. MICHAEL'S CATHOLIC CHURCH P.O. BOX 428, PIERZ, MN 56364 Phone: 320-468-6033 SUNDAY, AUGUST 29, 2021 E-mail: stjoes@midco.net, Website: www.stjosephs-stmichaels.org

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

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.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 31 st – SEPTEMBER 5 th 2021 ST		ST. MICHAEL'S WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP:
Tuesday, August 31		Adult \$ 2,230.00
8:00 a.m. Pierz	+Rueben & Helen Bayer	High School \$ 57.00
9:30 a.m. Villa	Word/Communion Service (only for Residents)	Elementary \$ 27.00
Wednesday, September	<u>r 1</u>	Plate $\frac{\$ 284.01}{\$ 2,598.01}$
8:00 a.m. Buckman	+Lambert & Marie Pohlkamp Family	Thank you for your generosity!
7-8:00 p.m. Buckman	Eucharistic Adoration	Mass attendance August 22 nd Sunday: 209
7:00 p.m. Pierz	Knights of Columbus Mass	ST. JOSEPH'S WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP:
Thursday, September 2		Adult \$4,002.00
8:00 a.m. Buckman	+Wilfred Hoheisel	High School \$ 14.25
9:30 a.m. Villa	Word/Communion Service (only for Residents)	Elementary \$ 19.00
Friday, September 3		Plate <u>\$ 333.75</u>
8:00 a.m. Pierz	+Reinhard, Emogene, & Joe Langer	\$ 4,369.00
8:30 a.m. Buckman	Word/Communion Service	Thank you for your generosity!
9:30 a.m. Villa	+Don Zenner (Mass only for Residents)	Mass attendance August 21 st Saturday: 215 Mass attendance August 22 nd Sunday: 198
3-6:00 p.m. Pierz	Eucharistic Adoration	Wass attendance August 22 Sunday. 198
Saturday, September 4		
4:30 p.m. Pierz	+Mary Kay Waytashek	
Sunday, September 5		CONFESSIONS: Buckman, Thurs 7:30
8:00 a.m. Pierz	+Eleanor S. Kasper, & For the People of the Parishes	a.m. Pierz, Sat 3:30 p.m. or by appt.
10:00 a.m. Buckman	+Mary Otremba	

HOLY TRINITY CALENDAR WINNERS

August 23 – Lynn Vetsch, August 24 – Jane Funk, August 25 – Gracie Saehr (Jodie Saehr), August 26 – Crystal Ratke, August 27 – Dave & Cari Stumpf, August 28 – Amy Allen - (\$35 Winners). August 29 – Jim Schlichting (\$75 Winner).

From the Pastoral Associate: When cooking it sometimes helps to have a plan. When living a week, it sometimes helps to have plan for being nourished. Feel free to use this recipe, or adapt it to your taste, or make up your own. 1) Monday: Ask God to have **MERCY** on me and to have **MERCY** on a person or a group of people I really do not care for. 2) Tuesday: **TELL** God my plans for the day, ask for His help and give God permission to change, add or subtract anything to the day's menu. 3) Wednesday: **WEEP in prayer** for those who are in need. Pray for them and help them if you can. 4) **Thursday:** Give **THANKS** to God for 12 different things. 5) Friday: Do something that makes you **FEEL JOYFUL** and do something for someone else that may give them **JOY**. 6) Saturday: Get somewhere where you cannot be heard and **SING** to the Lord. (Vehicle's work.) 7) Sunday: Pray at 100 % participation during Mass remembering that, Saint Augustine said, "He who sings prays twice." **AND** take some time this day (say 5 - 30 minutes) to **<u>BE STILL</u> IN SILENCE** with the Lord. Have a good week.

~ Michael Pekar ~ Don't forget there are Scripture Reflection Questions on the Website.

LOOKING AHEAD: The office will be closed on Monday, September 6th in observation of Labor Day. We will be back in the office on Tuesday, September 7th.

PATRIOTIC ROSARY 2021: Because our nation is so desperately in need of prayers, various Catholic groups are uniting to pray the rosary on Friday, September 10th at 12:45p.m. at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Pierz. The Hearts of Faith, local Christian Women groups, Legion and Auxiliary, Knights of Columbus, and the students of Holy Trinity School will each lead a decade of the rosary. There are 50 Hail Marys in the decades and 50 states, so we will be praying for 10 states with each decade. We also will be praying for all of our government officials. We are only a small voice, but for the future of this country we can gather together to pray to ask the Lord's guidance for those who are in leadership of our nation.

Eucharistic Adoration: In the 52nd Meditation Jesus says: "My child, it is so easy to return here time and time again, if only you start coming. It is the first step that is the hardest. Why do I allow this first step to be the hardest? I do this for your own benefit. Nothing good comes easily. My cross was a very difficult one to carry." Come and add your prayers – adoration at St. Michael's on Wednesdays from 7-8p.m. and at St. Joseph's on Fridays from 3-6p.m.

Steak & Wine Dinner and Auction: Holy Trinity School's Steak & Wine Dinner and Auction will be held on October 9th at Frosty's Bar in Pierz. We are currently looking for donations of auction items. Please call Steve (320-630-5303) or Kristin (320-630-5354) Andres if you have any items you would like to donate. Thank you.

ST. MICHAEL'S NEWS & ACTIVITIES:

<u>SUN., SEPT. 5th@ 10:00 a.m.</u> <u>Lector:</u> Randi Kranz <u>Communion Ministers:</u> Connie Kieffer & Nicole Lochner <u>Servers:</u> Whitney Leblanc & Nathan Posch <u>Ushers for September:</u> Grant Stangl, Nathan Gruber, & Shane Zilka

<u>GRAND RAFFLE TICKET BOOKS</u>: If anyone is in need of ticket books, give the parish office a call (320) 468 6033 and staff will have the number of ticket books you request recorded and set aside to pick up. Thank you!

ADORATION: Because there is so much need for prayer in our country and in the world, on Wednesday, September 8th from 8AM to 8PM we are having adoration at St. Michael's Church in Buckman. We need people to sign up for one hour slots. You can sign up on the sign-up sheet in St. Michael's entrance or by calling Patty at 468-2486. We will be doing this the second Wednesday of each month.

HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL: 468-6446

*Employment opportunities: PT Lead Teacher for HT Kids Place/Preschool. Reading Corp tutors for K-3. Contact the school office for more information.

*2021-2022 Registration is open for enrollment. Go to, <u>www.holytrinitypierz.org</u> or contact the school office.
Preschool classroom is almost full. K-Readiness registration is on a waitlist. Please return your registration to ensure a spot!
*2021-2022 K-6 Open House: Tuesday, August 31, 5pm-7pm.
*Holy Trinity continues to sell gourmet coffee grown in Guatemala. The coffee is available for purchase at the school. Holy Trinity makes \$3 on each bag sold and the rest goes to pay the farmers in Guatemala for the coffee beans. Regular (ground or bean) \$13.00, in French, Dark, or Medium Roast. Decaf (ground or bean) \$14.00.

St. Cloud DCCW 67th Fall Conference: "The year of Saint Joseph." September 18th at St. John's Parish, Foley. Sister Elise Saggau, OSF will present: "Saint Joseph: A Saint for Our Times". Registration: \$15, after Sept. 7, \$20. Please send registrations to: Lora Knafla, 11719 16th Ave. NW, Rice MN 56367, 320-393-2701. Make checks payable to St. Cloud DCCW. Sponsored by the St. Cloud Diocesan Council of Catholic Women.

40 Days for Life Fall Campaign: 40 Days for Life is starting its fall campaign - September 22^{nd} to October 31^{st} , 7am - 7 pm Mon.- Fri. in front of Planned Parenthood: 451 E St. Germain St., St. Cloud. 40 Days is a peace and prayer filled ministry. Help save lives by praying for an end to abortion.

Golf Scramble: Heartland Symphony's 1st annual HSO Symphony Scramble at Cragun's Resort in Brainerd, MN, is on Sunday, September 19th, 2021, with a 2 p.m. shotgun start. This is an 18-hole scramble and the cost is \$100 per golfer, \$400 per team. <u>www.heartlandsymphony.com</u>

Marriage Help: Retrouvaille is a program that offers support and help to couples in hurting and strained marriages. With the many stresses and financial challenges facing couples today, many marriages are experiencing difficulties. The next program starts Sept 17 @ Country Inn & Suites in St. Cloud, MN. Call 320-255-5314 or check the website www.helpourmarriage.org for more information. Preregistration is required. Space is Limited.

<u>ST. JOSEPH'S NEWS AND ACTIVITIES:</u> <u>Weekday Lector: Aug. 31st & Sept. 3rd:</u> Mary Kimman

<u>SAT. SEP. 4th @ 4:30 p.m., & SUN. SEP. 5th @ 8:00 a.m.</u>

Communion Ministers: Sat. Sept. 4 – Mary Schraut, Christie

Virnig, & Ruth Stuckmayer, *Choir* – Kelly Becker Sun. Sept. 5 – LeRoy Swanson, Pat Hartmann, & Beth Fischer Servers: Sat. Sept. 4 – Morgan & Danny Litke Sun. Sept. 5 – Sara & Anna Hoheisel

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

<u>Ushers for September:</u> Sat.- John Kurtz, Neal Kimman, Jeremy Virnig, & Allan Kroll. Sun.- Neil Korf, Floyd Mathiowetz, Larry Etzel, & Jason Sadlovsky

<u>CONGRATULATIONS</u>: To Andrew & Shelbie (Boser) Kapsner who were married this weekend!

I. BANNS OF MARRIAGE (Wedding September 18th): Stacie Stewart & Alex Helmin

BAZAAR UPDATE:

*Thank you! to Crystal & Nick Ratke for doing such a <u>Great</u> Job with the Parish Bazaar this year! As for our net income, it was around \$54,193.89 with a few outstanding bills.

**Festival Wrap up Meeting:* Wed. Sept. 1st at 6 p.m. in St. Joseph's Church Basement. All chairs are encouraged to attend & anyone else who is interested is welcome.

AREA NEWS:

***Rummage Sale:** At St. Rita's Church in Hillman (handicapped accessible) on Thurs,Sept. 2nd from 8-6, Fri. Sept. 3rd from 8-6, and Sat. Sept. 4th from 8-5.

***Holy Cross Parish Bazaar, Harding, Sept 5** Polka Mass at 10 am, Dinner at 11 am. Festivals: Bingo, Fancy Stand, Kids Games, & Raffle Tickets. Silent Auction at 11 am & Gun Raffle at 2 pm. Everyone is Welcome!

*Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Urbank Annual Bazaar on Sunday, September 5. Mass at 10:30AM followed with a Braised Beef & Ham dinner from 11:00 AM - 2PM. Games, silent auction, refreshments, 2PM concert by Connie Lee Stich. *St. Stephen Parish Festival – St. Stephen MN September 6th Labor Day Mass at 8 am. Live music by JJ's Band 11am-2pm & Laverne & The Starlites 2pm-7pm, break at 5:30pm for Raffle. Homemade Chicken and Ham Dinner 11am, adults \$10, children (4-10) \$5, children (3 and under) free. Country Auction Starts at 1 pm and continues after Quilt Auction (starts at 2pm, pre-sale of quilts until 1:30 pm). Grand Raffle at 5:30 pm \$5 a ticket Grand Prize \$16,000.

*St. Mary's Cathedral Annual Block Party, St. Cloud, on Saturday, September 11. Mass in the Cathedral at 4 pm and then head over to our parking lot to enjoy food and drinks, music, silent auction, kids' games, inflatables and Bingo. Harper's Chord, at 6 pm, followed by our headliner, Michael Shynes at 8 pm. Everyone is welcome!

*Catholic United Financial of Grey Eagle Pancake and Sausage Breakfast. Sausage purchased from Schaefer's Market. All you can eat September 12th, 9 am-12:30 pm. Free will offering. All Proceeds go to Religious Education Program. *Church of the Holy Spirit's Fall Festival – St. Cloud, (2405 Walden Way) Sept. 12. Polka Mass,10:30am (The Polka Beats (Outdoor Mass - weather permitting). All You Can Eat Breakfast, Cake Spin, Kiddie Karnival, Cash Raffle. *St. Michael's Church – Buckman, Parish Bazaar will be held on September 19th with a Polka Mass at 10 a.m.