

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

SUNDAY, MARCH 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023

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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 MARCH 7<sup>th</sup> – MARCH 12<sup>th</sup>**

#### **Tuesday, March 7**

8:00 a.m. Pierz +Mike & Angie Dahmen, & +Judy Herman  
9:30 a.m. Villa Word/Communion Service (*only for Residents*)

#### **Wednesday, March 8**

8:00 a.m. Buckman The Recipients of Prayer Blankets  
8 a.m-7 p.m. Buckman All Day Eucharistic Adoration  
7:00 p.m. Buckman Stations of the Cross

#### **Thursday, March 9**

8:00 a.m. Buckman Reconciliation of Our Nation Back to God  
9:30 a.m. Villa Word/Communion Service (*only for Residents*)

#### **Friday, March 10 – HT School Mass: Mrs. Johnson's 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Class**

8:30 a.m. Pierz +Kenny Funk  
8:30 a.m. Buckman Word/Communion Service  
9:30 a.m. Villa +Edward Stangl (*Mass only for Residents*)  
4:00 p.m. Pierz Stations of the Cross & Benediction

#### **Saturday, March 11**

4:30 p.m. Pierz +Harvey Hoheisel, & For the People of the Parishes

#### **Sunday, March 12**

8:00 a.m. Pierz +Ray Murphy, & +Donald Murphy  
10:00 a.m. Buckman +Agnes Gall, & +Anna Popp

### **ST. MICHAEL'S WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP**

Adult	\$ 3,279.00
High School	\$ 26.00
Elementary	\$ 17.91
Plate	\$ 191.00
	\$ 3,513.91

***Thank you for your generosity!***

Mass attendance **February 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday:** 247

### **ST. JOSEPH'S WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP**

Adult	\$ 4,428.00
High School	\$ 15.00
Elementary	\$ 9.00
Plate	\$ 258.35
	\$ 4,710.35

***Thank you for your generosity!***

Mass attendance **February 25<sup>th</sup> Saturday:** 243

Mass attendance **February 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday:** 200

### **HOLY TRINITY CALENDAR WINNERS**

2/26/23	\$75.00	Chad Leikvoll
2/27/23	\$35.00	Shawn Andrea
2/28/23	\$35.00	Alex & Natalie Gruber
3/01/23	\$35.00	Brianna Becker
3/02/23	\$35.00	Jason Woitalla
3/03/23	\$35.00	Patrick Rian
3/04/23	\$35.00	Alex & Natalie Gruber

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**From the Pastoral Associate:** Bless. Be kind. Be gentle. Be humble. Look for little ways to help. Be unnoticed. Be patient. Be virtuous. Be calm with the peace of Christ. Be helpful. Be a warm welcome on a cold day. Be prayerful. Be still. Be quiet. Notice the hurts and heal. See the need and respond. Be a person trying to be Christ to others. Die to self. Bringing the peace and joy of the spirit of God to others. Have a profound Lent by being small and humble. ~ **Michael Pekar**

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**PARISH DIRECTORY:** This is your last chance to schedule an appointment for the directory. Fr. Popp and Fr. Jose deeply desires 100% participation for the best possible directory. Photographs this week are at St. Joseph Church in Pierz. The scheduled times are Tues, Mar. 7, Wed, Mar. 8, Thurs, Mar. 9, Fri, Mar. 10 from 2 to 8:30 pm or Sat, Mar. 11 from 10-4pm. Schedule with on-line scheduling or set up a time, in-person, after the weekend Masses. On-line ([www.ucdir.com](http://www.ucdir.com)) use the Church Code: **MN335** . Password: **photos** . If you have questions, please contact your parish representative.

Theresa Thesing, Holy Cross (320-360-9729), Louise Welle, St. John's (320-360-1345), Kathy Etzel, St. Joseph (612-203-7423), Jessica LeBlanc, St. Michael (320-630-0807).

**Lenten Bible Study:** Looking for something to do this lent? Join our weekly Lenten Bible study at St John's Parish Center in Lastrup starting Monday, March 6th at 8 pm. The Bible study will be on living the Gospel by building habits for a life of faith. We will meet Mondays at 8 pm. If interested or want more information, contact Mark Loidolt at 701-388-2323 or [mark.loidolt@gmail.com](mailto:mark.loidolt@gmail.com). Bring friends.



### **CONFESSION TIMES FOR THE WEEK:**

Tues. March 7<sup>th</sup> @ 4:30 p.m. Pierz & @ 6:30 p.m. Buckman  
Thurs. March 9<sup>th</sup> @ 7:30 a.m. Buckman  
Sat. March 11<sup>th</sup> @ 3:30 p.m. Pierz

**EARTHQUAKE COLLECTION TOTALS:** Thank you to everyone who generously donated to the people of Turkey & Syria. St. Joseph's total was \$2,353 and St. Michael's \$964.10.

**BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL:** This is Commitment Weekend for the Bishop's Annual Appeal! Through your generosity, diocesan programs continue to build the Kingdom of God here in Central Minnesota thanks to our pastors, parish and diocesan staff, and volunteers who do the work of Christ. Please keep them thriving by making a gift with your offering today in your collection or [www.stcdio.org/annualappeal](http://www.stcdio.org/annualappeal).

**WOMEN'S LENTEN RETREAT:** 8:30-2pm, Sat. March 18<sup>th</sup> at St. Paul's Church, St. Cloud. \$20 Registration. Hosted by the Metro Deanery. **St. Michael's & St. Joseph's CM/W will pay their member's registration fee.** Please call Candace (SM) 320-282-9073 or Jo Loidolt (SJ) at 630-6088 for more info. Deadline is March 9<sup>th</sup>.

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

**SUN. MAR. 12 @ 10:00 a.m.**

**Lector:** Jane Funk

**Communion Ministers:** Jill Hoheisel & Cindy Scholl

**Servers:** Quinn Gruber & Maddy Kahl

**Ushers for Mar.:** Grant Stangl, Nathan Gruber & Shane Zilka

**NEW LIFE IN CHRIST:** *Rhett Joseph*, son of Shawn & Stephanie Lanners, was baptized on Sunday, February 26<sup>th</sup>. Congratulations and welcome to our community of faith!

**ALL DAY ADORATION:** All day adoration Wednesday, March 8<sup>th</sup> at St. Michael's Church in Buckman from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. with Stations of the Cross to follow. To sign up for an hour, call Patty at 468-2487.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** Divine Mercy Sunday is Sunday; April 16<sup>th</sup> and we are planning a gathering from 1-4p.m. We are looking for volunteers to be on a committee to help plan it and also for someone to share their faith journey. If interested, call Patty at 468-2487. Thank you!

**QUILT BINGO/RAFFLE:** Sunday, March 19, at St Michael's Parish Center, Buckman, at 1 pm. Coffee cakes for sale, free lunch and door prize, in addition to many tied and stitched quilts for winners to choose from.

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**HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL: 468-6446**

**\*CARNIVAL RAFFLE AND CLASSROOM QUILT**

**TICKETS ARE ON SALE!** HT families have raffle tickets for our carnival in March! \$5/ticket for the raffle and for the quilts. Tickets are also available in the school office.

**FPSR NEWS: 468-2640**

\*Mar. 8-JH/SH Ice Skating LF Exchange Arena 5:30-7:30p.m.

\*TEC Retreat in LF – March 10, 11, & 12.

**PIERZ COMMUNITY ED:** Refresher course for those who are 55 and older to receive a 10% discount on their driving insurance. Taught by Rick Sczublewski on March 15 from 5:30-9:30pm. Call 320-468-6458 ext 7 to register. Fee is \$24.

**2023 Buckman Firearms Safety Class:** Mon 6:30-8:30 p.m. March 6-April 10, at the Buckman Parish Center. **\*No need to preregister. Registration takes place on March 6 during the first night of class.** \*Must be 11 yrs of age by the first night of class to enroll. \*A parent or guardian **MUST** be present to register their child the first night of class and pay the \$7.50 fee. \*Adults are welcome to take the class. \*All persons born after Dec. 31, 1979, are required to possess a firearms safety/hunter education certificate in order to purchase a hunting license to hunt in Minnesota. \*Range Day is set for April 22, is only for students who completed the classes in person March 6-April 10. Students who took the online version of the training will **NOT** be allowed to attend this Range Day. Any questions, call Ron Kahl at (320)360-0986.

**2023 MN FoodShare Campaign:** March is FoodShare Month and the Pierz Area Food Shelf is requesting our area churches to help our local families in need since many of these people are from our own neighborhood. Pierz Area Food Shelf is located at 220 South Main Street. Hours are 9-11 AM and 5-7 PM on Mondays. If you are unable to make deliveries during those hours, please call 320-468-7134 to arrange an alternate delivery time. Thank you for joining in the efforts to end hunger in our community.

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

**Weekday Lector: March 7<sup>th</sup>:** Hilde Flicker

**FRI., MAR. 10 - Stations of the Cross @ 4:00 p.m.**

**Servers:** Roman Wacker & Travis Young

**SAT., MAR. 11 @ 4:30 p.m. & SUN., MAR. 12 @ 8:00 a.m.**

**Communion Ministers:** Sat.– Keith Marshik, Sarah Fyten & Ruth Stuckmayer. ***Choir*** – Kerri Kasper

**Sun.** – Leroy Swanson, Dan & Lois Waytashek

**Servers: Saturday** – Kahlee & Rachel Kasper

**Sunday** – Elizabeth & Anna Stumpf

**Lectors for March:** Sat. – Al Pekarek, **Sun.-** Keith Marshik

**Ushers for March:** Sat. – John Kurtz, Neal Kimman, Jeremy Virnig, Allan Kroll. **Sun.** – Neil Korf, Floyd Mathiowetz, Larry Etzel, Jason Sadlovsky

**DONUT SUNDAY:** Everyone is invited to join us for donuts and fellowship after the 8 a.m. Mass today.

**ST JOSEPH'S QUILT CIRCLE:** We will be quilting on Monday, March 6<sup>th</sup> at 1 p.m. and Thursday, March 9<sup>th</sup> at 9 a.m. Come and go as you can. **WE ARE IN DESPERATE NEED OF 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.

**ANNUAL BUILDING & MAINTENANCE RAFFLE &**

**GERMAN DINNER:** Is scheduled for Friday, April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at the Pierz Ballroom. Raffle tickets will be available at the parish office and after weekend Masses. If anyone is interested in selling raffle tickets, contact the parish office at 468-6033.

**ST. JOSEPH'S BOOKLET KIOSK:** There have been many new booklets 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.

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**AREA NEWS:**

**\*KC Breakfast-Church of St. Joseph, Heritage Hall, St.**

**Joseph,** Sunday, March 5<sup>th</sup> 8:30 to Noon. Pep's pork sausage, St. Joseph Meat Market sausage, pancakes, hash browns, fruit, scrambled eggs, caramel rolls, cinnamon rolls, beverages. \$10 adults, \$4 for ages 6-12. Now accepting credit cards.

**\*Fish Fry-St. Elizabeth Church, Brennyville,** March 10<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup>. 4:30-6:30 P.M. Deep fried fish, potato, vegetable, dinner roll, coleslaw, dessert. Free will offering. Take-out orders available. Phone orders: 320-355-2459.

**\*Fish Fry-St Joseph Catholic Church, Foley/Morrill,** March 17. 4:30-7PM. Adults \$14, Children 6-10 \$7, Kids under 5 free. Dine-in or take out. Fried fish, potato, haluski, vegetable, cole slaw, dinner roll & dessert & beverages.

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

**TRUE PRESENCE NIGHT:** Sunday, March 5 at 6pm. Music group The Vigil Project is coming to the Church of Saint Joseph in St. Joseph, MN to offer a Lenten True Presence Night. Live music, dynamic Lent-themed reflections, and a time of Eucharistic Adoration. A reception will follow. All are Welcome!

**RICE BOWLS:** Join us in a life-changing Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowls. Rice bowls were sent home with students, and there are more available in the parish office entryway as well as in the churches. During the 40 days of Lent, we will reflect on how hunger and malnutrition affect our human family, and on the need to take action to end this global injustice. Visit [crsricebowl.org](http://crsricebowl.org) to learn more.

**WOMEN'S LENTEN RETREAT:** Do not miss Dana Webskowski, a dynamic speaker, who will be the featured speaker at the St. Cloud Diocesan Council of Catholic Women's Lenten Retreat to be held at St. Paul's Parish in St. Cloud on Saturday, March 18, 2023. "Be Still and Know that I am God" is the theme of the day and Dana will guide the attendees to do just that during her morning presentation and again, through musical adoration following lunch. Dana was a lukewarm "cradle Catholic" who found church boring and contemplated leaving the church but is now in love with God, the Catholic faith and the Eucharist. Her mission is to help fallen away Catholics come back to His church, light a fire for the lukewarm Catholics out there, and help other Christians to see that the Catholic church has absolute truth and everything they need to grow in holiness. Dana grew up on a farm near Millerville, MN and now resides in Sioux Falls, SD.

**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.

**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.

**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](mailto:kristat@co.morrison.mn.us), [kimd@co.morrison.mn.us](mailto: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/>