

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

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SUNDAY, JANUARY 16th, 2022

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Office Hours: Mon, Tue, Thurs. 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Wed. 8:00 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 JANUARY 18th – JANUARY 23rd, 2022	
<u>Tuesday, January 18</u>	
8:00 a.m. Pierz	+Hildegard Kapsner
9:30 a.m. Villa	Word/Communion Service <i>(only for Residents)</i>
<u>Wednesday, January 19</u>	
8:00 a.m. Buckman	+Bob & Betty Bayerl
7-8p.m. Buckman	Eucharistic Adoration
<u>Thursday, January 20</u>	
8:00 a.m. Buckman	+Frank & Barbara Kapsner & Family
9:30 a.m. Villa	Word/Communion Service <i>(only for Residents)</i>
<u>Friday, January 21 – No HT School Mass</u>	
8:30 a.m. Pierz	+Leon Leidenfrost
8:30 a.m. Buckman	Word/Communion Service
9:30 a.m. Villa	+Rod Przybilla <i>(Mass only for Residents)</i>
3-6:00 p.m. Pierz	Eucharistic Adoration
<u>Saturday, January 22</u>	
4:30 p.m. Pierz	+Sally Bolster
<u>Sunday, January 23</u>	
8:00 a.m. Pierz	+Nora Poginy, & For the People of the Parishes
10:00 a.m. Buckman	+Edward & Elaine Grittner

<u>ST. MICHAEL'S WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP:</u>	
Adult	\$ 4,360.00
High School	\$ 1.00
Elementary	\$ 2.00
Plate	<u>\$ 130.01</u>
	\$ 4,493.01
<i>Thank you for your generosity!</i>	
Mass attendance Jan. 9th Sunday: 177	

<u>ST. JOSEPH'S WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP:</u>	
Adult	\$ 5,427.00
High School	\$ 12.25
Elementary	\$ 58.40
Plate	<u>\$ 254.00</u>
	\$ 5,751.65
<i>Thank you for your generosity!</i>	
Mass attendance Jan. 8th Saturday: 204	
Mass attendance Jan. 9th Sunday: 187	

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

HOLY TRINITY CALENDAR WINNERS

January 9 – Kaylee Gruber (\$75 Winner), **January 10** – Greta Biniek, **January 11** – John Poster, **January 12** – Carrie Moulzolf, **January 13** – Karen Schreiber, **January 14** – Brian Gangestad, **January 15** – Jim & Carol Andres (\$35 Winners)

FROM THE PASTOR: We are no longer in the Christmas season. The church is now in the Ordinary time of the liturgical year and as you noticed the priest wears green vestments. The green symbolizes that in the ordinary time of life, Jesus is always with us and very much alive to help us in all things. The best that we come to know this is by remaining faithful to Mass each weekend. Stay always close to the church and you will feel alive in Christ, especially through those more difficult times of life. ~Fr. Ken Popp

LOOKING AHEAD: Fr. Popp will be gone Jan. 24th-28th.

DISCUSSION GROUP: The Sunday night discussion group will have its first meeting on Sun, Jan. 16th, at 7 pm in the parish office. The new program is Bishop Robert Barron's presentation on The Nicene Creed. All are invited. Call Al Pekarek at 468-0220 if you have questions.

Buckman Firearms Safety Class: Ron Kahl (320) 360-0986 Monday's 6:30-8:30 PM, March 7-April 11, 2022 at the Buckman Parish Center. *No need to preregister. *Must be 11 years 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 for the class. *Adults are welcome to take the class. *Masks are not required but are recommended. *Range Day is set for April 23, 2022. *If class is cancelled it will be announced on the Little Falls radio stations KLTF AM960, WYRQ 92.1FM, KFML 94.1FM

PRAYER BLANKETS: Reminder that prayer blankets are available in the parish office entryway in Pierz. They can give comfort to the sick & suffering.

BUS TRIP TO CAPITOL: Saturday, January 22nd, Bus trip to Prayer Service at the St. Paul Cathedral and Pro-Life Rally at the State Capitol. Bus will leave Coborn's North Parking Lot at 7:30 am then pick up at 8 am at the Pierz St. Joseph's Church Parking Lot. Bring your family and friends, dress warm, pack a lunch and get on a warm coach bus. It is always so encouraging to see the crowds, young and old, to come out to "The March for Life." Return time approx. 4-4:30. Contact Floyd Richmond at 320-632-2880 or Dale Beierman at 320-360-7100. Bus is sponsored by the Pierz Knights of Columbus.

25th Annual KC Buffalo Raffle and Appreciation: Saturday, January 29th at the Pierz Ballroom. Meal from 4-8 p.m. and cost is \$7 for a burger, beans, potato salad, and homemade bars. Tickets for the raffle are \$10 each, with half the proceeds going to the American Cancer Society. Drawing will be held at 8:15. Music during the feed by the Waltzateer Band. This makes for a fun evening and a great way to help the KC's with their fundraiser. If you want to purchase a ticket you can do so at the feed or from any KC member or some of the businesses.

ST. MICHAEL'S NEWS & ACTIVITIES:

SUN., JAN. 23 @ 10:00 a.m.

Lector: Karen Stangl

Communion Ministers: Cindy Scholl & Bob Lochner

Servers: William Stangl & Owen Stangl

Ushers for February: Frank Hoheisel, Steve Kahl, & Mick Gruber

AT PEACE WITH GOD: *Jerome "Jerry" Posch* passed away on December 31st. A Mass of Christian Burial was held on Tuesday, January 11th at St. Michael's Church with burial in the parish cemetery. We extend our sympathy to these families and assure them of our prayerful support.

THANK YOU: To Group 6 and all the extra help for Jerry Posch's funeral. Your help is greatly appreciated!

FINANCE & PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS: Thurs., Jan. 20th. Finance Council at 7:30 pm & Parish Council at 8:00 pm.

CHRISTIAN MOTHERS/WOMEN MEETING: Thursday, January 20th at 6:30 p.m. at St. Michael's parish center. If you have an item for the agenda or questions, call Patty at 468-2487. Any bills need to be given to the treasurer along with an expense form.

BUCKMAN HALL RENTAL: If you are interested in renting the St. Michael's Parish Center for this coming December, you may do so after February 1st. Thank you!

PRAYER LINE: If you are in need of prayers, please call Mary Brenny at 320-393-2781 or Mary Malinowski at 468-6148.

HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL: 468-6446

*Please check out our bulletin insert for our Catholic Schools Week activities! Join us for the CSW Kick-Off at the Pierz Ballroom with special guests, The Country Fried Grubers!

*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.

FPSR NEWS: 468-2640

*Jan. 19th - SH Broomball @ Pierz Blue Park 5:30pm-7:30pm

FREE THROW COMPETITION: The Pierz Knights of Columbus will host their annual local free throw competition on Sun, Jan. 30th 9:30-11:30am in the MAC gym at Pierz high school for girls and boys ages 9-14 based off your age on 1/1/2022. Questions, call/text Jason Sadlovsky 320-360-0001.

49th ANNUAL PRO-LIFE DINNER: Sunday, January 30th at the Falls Ballroom. Contact Sue at 320-630-7045 for tickets on or before Fri. Jan. 21. The Chapter is also accepting donations of new baby items for the Choose Life drive. Donated items can be dropped off at the dinner, or call John Justin 632-6752 for other options. The items will be given to Lakes Area pregnancy Support Center at the dinner.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER: Feeling disconnected? The next virtual weekends are Feb 12-14 and Feb 18-20. For more info visit our website at: northmnwwme.org or contact Brent & Tracy at applications@twincitieswwme.org or 612-756-8720.

ST. JOSEPH'S NEWS AND ACTIVITIES:

Weekday Lector: Jan 18 & 21: Al Pekarek

SAT., JAN. 22 @ 4:30 p.m. & SUN., JAN. 23 @ 8:00 a.m.

Communion Ministers: Sat. – Mason Zajac, Kristie Virnig, & Kelly Becker. **Choir** – Grace Stumpf

Sun. – Marvin Kimman, David Stumpf, & Rachel Young

Servers: Sat. – Adam Hoheisel & Morgan Litke

Sun. – Camren Waytashek & Jayden Zajac

Lectors for February: Sat.- Geri Kasper, **Sun.-** Mark Fyten

Ushers for February: Sat. – Lee Maus, Steve Boser, Andy Kapsner, & Mathew Stumpf. **Sun.** – Jim Gerwing, Daniel Loidolt, Bob Thielen, & Steve Maus.

NEW LIFE IN CHRIST: *Callie Lou*, daughter of Matthew & Desiree Woitalla, was baptized on Saturday, January 8th. Congratulations and welcome to our community of faith!

DONUT & COFFEE SUNDAY: Please join us for donuts and fellowship this Sunday, January 16th, after the 8:00 a.m. Mass. Hosted by Father Pierz School of Religion.

LITURGY MEETING: There will be a liturgy meeting on Tuesday, January 18th at 6:30 p.m. at the parish office meeting room.

ST JOSEPH'S QUILTING CIRCLE: We are in dire need of help. If you can give us even just 1 hour of your time would be appreciated. We will be tying and stitching January 19 starting at 9 am (note time change for this week only) and January 20 at 9 am. Come and go as you please. No experience necessary. We will help teach anything you want to learn. We also had some boxes of scraps donated that someone that isn't comfortable stitching could sort and iron for us. There are other ways we can use help. Questions call Eileen 320-360-2434.

FUNERAL LUNCHESES: If anyone is interested in helping with funeral lunches, please contact Pearl Wilson at 320-630-7922.

PRAYER LINE: If you have a prayer line intention, please call Karen Gross at 320-468-6818 or email Rachel Young at rjyoung0521@gmail.com.

DRINKING FROM THE RIVER OF LIGHT: The Franciscan Sisters of Little Falls invite you to a retreat via Zoom, streamed on YouTube. The title is Drinking from the River of Light. It will use the parables of Jesus and others to cast light on our invitation to drink deeply from rivers of wisdom in order to refresh and enrich our lives. Jan. 24-28. Mon, Tues, & Wed. (9:30a.m. and 3p.m.) and Thur. & Fri. (9:30a.m.) To receive the links, register by Jan. 20 by emailing chartwell@fslf.org or franciscanlife@fslf.org. There is no cost for this retreat, but donations are welcome. (Suggested donation: \$80)

AREA NEWS:

***Breakfast, St. Anthony's Parish Center, St. Cloud, Sun,** Jan. 16, 8 a.m. – Noon. Adults \$10, grades 7-12 \$5 and preschool to grade 6 eat free.

***Breakfast, Ramey-Bethany Lutheran Church, 34238 Nature Rd, Foley, Sun.** Feb. 6th 9-11 a.m. Pancakes, scrambled eggs, French toast, fruit. Free will offering.