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## Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 29, 2018

You are just, O God; Your judgement is just!

**FR. KENNETH POPP - PASTOR**

Fr. Popp's office hours are Wed. from 1-3 p.m.

**MICHAEL PEKAR - PASTORAL ASSOCIATE**

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### **MASSES FOR THE WEEK:**

Monday	July 30	Villa	9:30 a.m.	Word/Communion Service
Tuesday	July 31	Pierz	8:00 a.m.	+Chuck Fuhrman
		Villa	9:30 a.m.	Word/Communion Service
Wednesday	Aug 1	Buckman	8:00 a.m.	+Troy Thomsen
		Villa	9:30 a.m.	+Greg Kapsner
		<b>Pierz</b>	<b>7:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Knights of Columbus Mass</b>
Thursday	Aug 2	Buckman	8:00 a.m.	+Marjory Guck
		Villa	9:30 a.m.	Word/Communion Service
Friday	Aug 3	Pierz	8:00 a.m.	+Raymond Meyer
		Buckman	8:30 a.m.	Word/Communion Service
		Villa	9:30 a.m.	+Leo Perleberg
Saturday	Aug 4	<b>Pierz</b>	<b>1:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Wedding - Bailey Boser &amp; Dakotah Warzecka</b>
		Pierz	4:30 p.m.	+Rueben & Helen Bayer(Adult Choir)
Sunday	Aug 5	<b>Pierz</b>	<b>10:00 a.m.</b>	+Ben Schwartz
		<b>Buckman</b>	<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	For the People of the Parishes

**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 Pastoral Associate:** Much stuff going on. St Joseph's Bazaar is just around the corner. NEXT SUNDAY !!!!! St. Michael's Bazaar is not too far off either. There has also been a lot of planning for the Rural Life Celebration right here too. There are people planning for weddings, College and vacations. Lots of planning going on. Yet as you and I know often events good and bad hit us suddenly and we are unprepared. It is at this time that we often suddenly cry out to the Lord, "Help!" Often the Holy Spirit then comes and things turn out wonderfully, sometimes in unexpected ways. The Holy Spirit moves through us because we have involved God. Now I am not advocating that we should stop planning weddings, bazaars and vacations and whatever and just sit down and sing kumbaya and pray for the Lord to take care of everything. I do note that sometimes, at least for myself, I can get so busy planning that I kind of leave God out of the mix, or at least not involve God as much as He should be. We should involve God in everything we attempt to do from the conception, goals, in the middle muck, the final push and all the way to the conclusion and beyond. I think that if we did this more, our horizons would be broadened, our burden lightened, and we would be doing more of God's will in our events, than we would have of otherwise done. May the Lord God help us have a great Bazaar here at St. Joseph's, a great Diocesan Rural Life Celebration, a great St. Michael's Bazaar ~~~ Michael Pekar

**MASS TIME SWITCH:** Sun. August 5<sup>th</sup> Mass will be: 8a.m. at St. Michael's-Buckman, and 10a.m. at St. Joseph's-Pierz

### **AREA EVENTS:**

**\*St. Joseph's Church Parish Festival, Pierz:** Sun. Aug. 5<sup>th</sup>, Polka Mass at 10a.m. Chicken dinner, games for kids, and so much more. Come and enjoy the day!!

**Franciscan Sisters Green Fair Folk Festival :** will be held on Wed, August 1, from 4-8 p.m., on the west lawn at St. Francis Convent, Little Falls.

**ROSARY AT THE GROTTTO:** Wed. Aug 1<sup>st</sup> at 8p.m. In case of inclement weather, we will move to the church.

**STEWARDSHIP DAY:** Wed, Aug 22, 8:30a.m.-3p.m. speaker-Eric McArdle, president and co-founder of Catholic Stewardship Consultants. St. Mary Help of Christians, St. Augusta. The cost is \$35 and includes lunch. Register online at: [www.stcdio.org/stewardship](http://www.stcdio.org/stewardship).

### **THEOLOGY OF THE BODY CONTINUES!**

Our final sessions of Theology of the Body with Nic Davidson will continue on Tuesday August 7th, August 14th and August 21st at 6:30 pm. Buckman hall.

**The Franciscan Sisters of Little Falls** invite you to attend a retreat entitled, *Jesus Risen in our Midst: The Spirituality of Resurrection in the Gospel of John*, on Mon, Aug 13 (9:30 a.m.) – Fri, Aug 17 (4 p.m.), at St. Francis Convent, Little Falls. Sister Sandra Schneiders, IHM, retreat presenter, will spotlight the Gospel of John. Schneiders is a professor emerita at the Graduate Theological Union in Berkeley, Calif. She spends most of her time in research, writing, publishing, consulting and lecturing throughout the United States and abroad. For more information, retreat price and to **register by August 3**, please contact (320)632-0668 or email: [franciscanlife@fslf.org](mailto:franciscanlife@fslf.org); [www.fslf.org](http://www.fslf.org).

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

Adult	\$1602.00
High School	\$ 4.00
Elementary	\$ 4.00
Plate	\$ 135.00
	\$ 1745.00

Thank you for your generosity!

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

**SUNDAY - Aug. 5<sup>th</sup> @ 10:00 a.m.:**

**Lector-** Janice Janson

**Communion Ministers-** Gary Solinger & Jill Hoheisel

**Servers-** Avery & Clare Gruber

**August Ushers-** John Grittner, Sam Seelen, Jerry Posch

**BAZAAR MEETING:** Monday, July 30<sup>th</sup>, @ 7pm at the parish hall. Everyone is welcomed you bring your new ideas

**New Life In Christ:** Weston Paul, son of Peter Oldakowski & Chantel Naill who was baptized last weekend. Congratulations and welcome to our community of faith!

**St. Michael's Parish Bazaar – Grand Raffle Donations**

If you would like to contribute to the grand raffle and have your name or your business recognized on the raffle tickets, please send your donation to Donna & Dave Solinger, 25723 103<sup>rd</sup> Street Pierz MN 56364. Donations received by 7/28/18 will be included on the raffle ticket. We appreciate your support.

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**5<sup>th</sup> Annual Partnership Barn Dance** on Sat, Oct 6<sup>th</sup> at the Shooting Sports Center in Parkers Prairie. Everyone is invited to join Bishop Kettler and the Mission Office with Bishop Kettler at 4pm for mass, followed by a meal, live music, live auction, fun for the kids, and more. Free will donations will support our diocesan partnerships with Maracay, Venezuela and Homa Bay, Kenya. Contact the Mission Office with questions: (320) 251-1100 or <http://mission.stedio.org>

**RURAL LIFE CELEBRATION**

The annual **Rural Life Celebration**, sponsored by Catholic Charities, the Diocese of St. Cloud and The Catholic Foundation, will be held on **Sunday, August 12, 2018**. It will take place at the Galen and Karla Stumpf Family Farm in Pierz ([12344 Lake Road, Pierz, MN](#)), beginning with **Outdoor Mass with Bishop Kettler at 11:00am**, immediately followed by special guest speaker Michelle Litke, local community member and cancer survivor. The festivities will continue with lunch, antique tractors, bounce house and live music for the entire family! This **FREE** event will take place rain or shine. A second collection will support the Rural Life Fund to help those in need in our rural communities throughout the diocese. All are welcome!

**HELP WILL BE NEEDED:** Aug. 12<sup>th</sup> for the Rural Life Celebration, we need volunteers on Sat. Aug. 11<sup>th</sup> at 10a.m. for pickup, delivery and setup of tables & chairs. Sun. Aug. 12<sup>th</sup> we could use assistance for parking and returning the tables & chairs. Please contact Galen or Karla Stumpf 468-6516. We appreciate any help you could give. *Thank you!!*

**MASS ATTENDANCE:****St. Joseph's:**

Sat. 4:30 p.m. - 203

Sun. 8:00 a.m. - 269

**St. Michael's:**

Sun. 10:00 a.m. - 255

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

Adult	\$7761.00
High School	\$ 14.00
Elementary	\$ 16.50
Plate	\$ 318.10
	\$8109.00

Thank you for your generosity!

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

**August - Sat. 4 @ 4:30p.m. & Sun. 5 @ 8:00a.m.:**

**Servers:** Sat.-Maraya Boser & Morgan Litke

Sun.- Mason & McKenna Hoheisel

**Weekday Lector:** LeRoy Swanson

**LECTORS FOR AUGUST:** Sat.-Geri Kasper

Sun.-Gary Poser.

**COMMUNION MINISTERS FOR AUGUST:** Sat.-Jan Dahman, Kristie Kroll, Sara Stumpf, Choir- Kerri Kasper. Sun.-Ryan Stangl, Leroy Swanson, Marilyn Vernig.

**USHERS FOR AUGUST:** Sat.-Dale Przybilla, Lee Maus, Steve Boser, Andy Kapsner. Sun.-Jim Gerwing, Daniel Loidolt, Tom Albrecht, Bob Thielen.

**ATTENTION:** Extra raffle tickets can be picked up at the church office.

**AT PEACE WITH GOD:**

**John Hellie** passed away on June 29<sup>th</sup>. Mass of Christian Burial was held here on July 3<sup>rd</sup> with burial at parish cemetery.

**Wilma Kippley** passed away on July 16<sup>th</sup>. Mass of Christian Burial was held here on July 20<sup>th</sup> with burial at parish cemetery. We extend our sympathy to the families and assure them of our prayerful support.

**BANNS OF MARRIAGE:** Bailey Boser & Dakotah Warzecka

**BANNS OF MARRIAGE:** Jennifer Riley & Kenny Pekarek

**PARISH FESTIVAL NEWS:**

**\*\*Fancy Booth** needs hand made items (cards, pillow cases, etc.) for the Festival. Please drop donations off at the parish office, any questions contact Kathy Etzel at 468-2105.

**\*\*Country Store** is accepting donations of new or gently used items for the Festival. Please drop donations off at the parish office.

**\*\*Silent Action** needs items for the Festival. If you would like to donate please drop off items at the parish office marked Silent Action.

**\*\*NEED VOLUNTEERS:** Crystal Ratke is looking for multiple volunteers to help with this year's Parish Festival, Sunday August 5th. If you would be interested in helping out or know someone who would, please give Crystal a call at 630-8952. *Thank you and God bless!*

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

July 23-Harry Bednarek, July 24-Shawn caughtey, July 25-Kent & Stacy Happke, July 26-Doug Veillette, July 27-Katie Gulden, July 28-Ralph Hanneken (\$35 winners) July 29-Courtney Kroll (\$75 Winner)

**Upcoming Faith in Action & Horizon Health Events**

August 24<sup>th</sup>: Whacky Hacker golf tournament with proceeds going to Faith in Action

August 25<sup>th</sup>: Hospice Run with proceeds going to Horizon Health's Hospice patients

**PRAYER BLANKETS:** Available at parish office. Giving a prayer blanket can give comfort to the sick & suffering. This ministry is committed to pray for the recipients as we prepare the blankets - then they are blessed by our Pastor. Questions: call Kathy Etzel at 468-2105

**Make plans for a fall get-away with the one you love before your calendar fills up!!** A Marriage Encounter Weekend is a private weekend away from life's distractions that allows a husband and wife to focus on each other. The next available Weekends are Sep 14-16, 2018 in Alexandria, MN and Apr 5-7, 2019 in Baxter, MN. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: [northmnwwme.org](http://northmnwwme.org) or contact Alan & Missy at [applications@northmnwwme.org](mailto:applications@northmnwwme.org) or 888-455-3496

**HEARING ASSISTANCE:** If you are having difficulty hearing and understanding the spoken word during Mass ask an usher for help connecting to our loop system. This is compatible with most modern hearing aids, simply set your hearing aid to "T coil". Don't have hearing aids? We have handheld units you may use. Hear what you've been missing!

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

#### **PARTNERSHIP BARN DANCE**

SAVE THE DATE!! On Saturday, October 6<sup>th</sup> we will be kicking up our heels at the 5<sup>th</sup> annual Partnership Barn Dance at the Shooting Sports Center in Parkers Prairie. This fun family event begins with Mass with Bishop Kettler at 4pm followed by a meal, live music, dancing, live auction, fun for the kids and more! You will definitely want to be part of this fun event! Bring your family and friends!! **OR**

#### **ARE YOU GOING TO THE HOSPITAL IN ST. CLOUD?**

If you would like a visit from Father Popp or Michael Pekar, please call the office at 468-6033 and leave us a message of when you are going to be admitted. Thank you!