

**MARCH 21<sup>st</sup>**

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**Office Hours:** Mon, Tue, Thurs. - 8:30 am to 3:30 pm and Fri. - 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Parish office number 468-6033.

**Regular Mass Times for Area Community Parishes:**

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 MARCH 23<sup>rd</sup> – MARCH 28<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

**Tuesday, March 23**

8:00 a.m. Pierz +Mary Ann Kimman

**Wednesday, March 24**

8:00 a.m. Buckman +Anna Gangl  
7:00 p.m. Buckman Stations of the Cross  
7-9:00 p.m. Buckman Eucharistic Adoration

**Thursday, March 25 – The Annunciation of the Lord**

8:00 a.m. Buckman +Joseph Kapsner

**Friday, March 26 (No School Mass)**

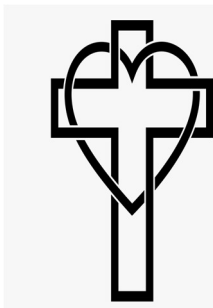
8:30 a.m. Pierz +Judy A. Herman  
8:30 a.m. Buckman Word/Communion Service  
3-4:00 p.m. Pierz Eucharistic Adoration  
4:00 p.m. Pierz Stations of the Cross

**Saturday, March 27**

4:30 p.m. Pierz +Henry Preimesberger Jr.

**Sunday, March 28 – Palm Sunday (Pierz Mass recorded & posted to website)**

8:00 a.m. Pierz +Ardelle Wentworth  
10:00 a.m. Buckman +Ron Pick, and For the People of the Parishes



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

Adult	\$ 3,035.00
High School	\$ 1.00
Elementary	\$ 10.00
Plate	\$ 287.00
	<u>\$ 3,333.00</u>

*Thank you for your generosity!*

Mass attendance **March 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday:** 192

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

Adult	\$ 6,532.00
High School	\$ 23.00
Elementary	\$ 30.65
Plate	\$ 136.00
	<u>\$ 6,721.65</u>

*Thank you for your generosity!*

Mass attendance **March 13<sup>th</sup> Saturday:** 191

Mass attendance **March 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday:** 157

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

**HOLY TRINITY CALENDAR WINNERS**

**March 15** – Julie Athman, **March 16** – Dalton & Brittney Brezinka, **March 17** – Nora Poginy, **March 18** – Tom Brisk, **March 19** – Art Sobania, **March 20** – Tom Przybilla - (\$35 Winners). **March 21** – Cody Przybilla (\$75 Winner).

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**FROM OUR PASTOR:** As Easter approaches us, I am asking families to look at your calendars more closely and plan on how your families will be participating in attending Masses for the three *Holiest* days of the Liturgical year; Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Vigil and Easter morning liturgies. I know that some of you will still feel more comfortable watching the Masses on T.V. and that is good. May God Bless you as you plan out your Mass schedules. Also, I hope your Lenten journey this year is going fine, remember we want to pray, fast and give alms in the Holy Season of Lent. Also, a reminder that confession times are still scheduled. ~ Fr. Ken Popp

**CONFESSION TIMES FOR THE WEEK:**

Tues. March 23<sup>rd</sup> @ 6:00 p.m. Buckman  
Thurs. March 25<sup>th</sup> @ 7:30 a.m. Buckman  
Thurs. March 25<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00 p.m. Pierz  
Sat. March 27<sup>th</sup> @ 10:00 a.m. Buckman  
Sat. March 27<sup>th</sup> @ 3:30 p.m. Pierz  
Sun. March 28<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00 p.m. Pierz

**\*NOTE\*:** There is an updated letter from Bishop Kettler about the current Covid-19 vaccines posted on our website: [www.stjosephs-stmichaels.org](http://www.stjosephs-stmichaels.org).

**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY:** Sunday, April 11<sup>th</sup> from 1-4 p.m. at St. Michael's Church in Buckman. Confessions available from 2-4 p.m. The Divine Mercy Chaplet will be sung. We will have speakers, benediction, prayers, quiet time, and testimonies. Come for the times that work for you. All are welcome. Any questions, call Patty at 468-2487 or Candace at 320-282-9073. Speaker will be Patrick Norton, he was rescued from the streets of India by Mother Teresa and placed in an orphanage.

**MISSALETTES,** will be available at the entrances of St. Joseph's & St. Michael's Church, for use during Mass starting next weekend. Please return them when you leave. Please do not leave them in the pews. Thank you!

**Bible Study on Salvation History:** Come learn the Big Picture of the Bible, from Genesis to Jesus and His Church; weekly at 7 PM on Mondays at the St John's Parish Center in Lastrup until May 10. If you can't make it, you can watch whenever at [focusequip.org/lentenstudy2021](http://focusequip.org/lentenstudy2021). Questions: contact Mark Loidolt at 701-388-2323 or [mark.loidolt@gmail.com](mailto:mark.loidolt@gmail.com).

**2021 Minnesota FoodShare Campaign:** March is FoodShare Month. All donations received are increased by donation through Minnesota FoodShare. Checks can be made payable to the Pierz Area Food Shelf and the address is P.O. Box 383, Pierz, MN 56364 and your donation is tax deductible. The Pierz Food Shelf hours are 9-11 AM and 5-7 PM on Mondays, or call 320-468-7134 for information. Thank you!

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

**SUN., MARCH 28<sup>th</sup> @ 10:00 a.m.**

**Lectors:** Karen Stangl & Janice Janson

**Communion Ministers:** Nicole Hoheisel & Bob Lochner

**Ushers for April:** Brian Stangl, Gregg Stangl, Todd Caddy

**CHOIR PRACTICE:** Saturday, March 27<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m.

**NEW LIFE IN CHRIST:** *Damion Reinhart*, son of Brett and Heather Stumpf, was baptized on Sunday, March 14<sup>th</sup>. Congratulations and welcome to our community of faith!

**COFFEE CAKES SALE:** Christian M/W will be selling coffee cakes again this year on Palm Sunday, March 28<sup>th</sup>, after the 10:00 a.m. Mass. They are looking at making 130 cakes. There will also be some quilts and sets of dishtowels for sale as well to benefit the Christian Mothers as a fundraiser.

**\*\* New Team Members Needed! \*\*:** St. Michael's needs some new team members to help with decorating the church, watering plants and moving things around to change with the seasons. As one of the Team volunteers, you can be a part of creating how our church looks year-round. It's time to bring in fresh eyes, new perspectives and décor that appeals to all generations. If you are interested in being a Team member, please contact Mary (320) 223-9783 or Kim (320) 469-7352.

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION UPDATE:** On Wednesdays during Lent, St. Michael's will have Stations at 7 P.M. followed by seven minutes of adoration, a blessing, quiet dismissal for those who want to leave and then continued adoration where folks can leave when they are finished. Adoration will end at 9 P.M. You must take the booklets home and return with them the next week. The booklets will be collected up after Stations during Holy Week.  
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**HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL: 468-6446**

\*2021-22 Registration is open for enrollment. Go to the school website, [www.holytrinitypierz.org](http://www.holytrinitypierz.org) or contact the school office.

\* Holy Trinity PTO is currently hosting a Flower and Thirty-One Tote Bag sale. Please reach out to a Holy Trinity family to order. Visit [www.holytrinitypierz.org](http://www.holytrinitypierz.org) to view products and contact the school office if you would like to order.

\*Holy Trinity will continue to sell gourmet coffee grown in Guatemala. The coffee is available for purchase at the school. We will have a supply on hand. Holy Trinity will make \$3 on each bag sold and \$10 goes to pay the farmers in Guatemala for the coffee beans.

**FPSR NEWS: 468-2640**

\*Junior High/Senior High will be going snowtubing at Ski Gull on Wednesday, March 24<sup>th</sup> from 5:15-9:30 p.m.

**Theology on Tap:** Come join us for a fun night out at Theology on Tap on Thursday, March 25. We are excited to meet at our new location of The Falls Ballroom. Social hour begins at 7:00. A taco bar will be available for \$12.99 as well as a full bar. Our speaker Rita Trettel will begin at 8:00 and will give a talk titled "Let Go and Let God". She will share her journey in living with progressive multiple sclerosis for more than 20 years and how she has learned to trust in God and find joy during challenging times. All are welcome! Feel free to contact Amy at [amy.schlichting11@gmail.com](mailto:amy.schlichting11@gmail.com) with questions.

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

**SAT. Mar. 27<sup>th</sup> @ 4:30 p.m., & SUN. Mar. 28<sup>th</sup> @ 8:00 a.m.**

**Weekday Lector March 23<sup>rd</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>:** Hilde Flicker

**Communion Ministers:** Sat. Mar. 27 – Kelly Becker & Rachel Young, *Choir* – Keith Marshik.

**Sun. Mar. 28** – Wanda Kapsner & Pat Hartmann.

**LECTORS FOR APRIL:**

**Sat.** – Tracy Voigt, **Sun.** – Gwen Gruber

**USHERS FOR APRIL:**

**Sat.** – Dennis Zajac, Robbie Becker, JD Folger, & Jon Stumpf

**Sun.** – Clint Kimman, James Gruber, Dan Loscheider, & Jeff Virnig

**NEW LIFE IN CHRIST:** *Everett Mark*, son of Kyle and Nicole Welle, was baptized on Saturday, March 13<sup>th</sup>. Congratulations and welcome to our community of faith!

**CONGRATULATIONS:** To David Stumpf who is being installed as a Eucharistic Minister on Sunday.

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION & STATIONS UPDATE:**

During the Lenten season, Eucharistic Adoration will be from 3-4 p.m. on Fridays followed by the Stations of the Cross and a blessing. There will be no singing.

**ST JOSEPH'S QUILTING CIRCLE:** We will be tying and stitching quilts Monday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> and Tuesday, March 30<sup>th</sup> from 9-11 a.m. We now have one quilt to hand stitch set up. We will continue to work on quilts every other Monday and Tuesday, watch Bulletin for dates. If people want to stay longer, they are welcomed to. We will use social distancing. Also, if anyone has quilts, they haven't turned in yet, let Eileen know so we can get a count of what we have. Questions, call Eileen at 320-360-2434.

**PARISH FESTIVAL MEETING:** St. Joseph's Parish Festival Chairs, Co-Chair and everyone interested in the Parish festival. there will be a meeting Wednesday, March 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm in the church basement. Please call Crystal Ratke (630-8952) and let her know if you are able to make it. If you are unable to make it and would like information emailed to you let her know and she can send you that information.

**CHRISTIAN MOTHERS/WOMEN MEETING:** Our next meeting will be held on April 7<sup>th</sup> in the St. Joseph's church basement at 6:30pm. There will not be a salad supper this year due to Diocesan regulations. Guidelines to follow will require a mask with distancing. Please contact Barb Zajac with any new agenda items that you may have @320-310-3267.

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**Good Friday Walk for Peace:** The Franciscan Sisters of Little Falls invite you to participate in a Good Friday Silent Walk for Peace on Friday, April 2, 9:30 a.m. Participants will walk starting from the west entrance at St. Francis Convent, in a silent procession, stopping to pray at various designated places throughout LFs, including St. Gabriel's Hospital, Morrison County Jail and Government Center, Bank Square, Veteran's Memorial, Maple Island Park and a few others. The walk concludes back at the convent at about 11 a.m. While we will be outdoors, we will maintain social distancing and follow current coronavirus safety protocols (masks are encouraged!). If bad weather, this event will be cancelled. For more info, contact 632-0668 or [franciscanlife@fslf.org](mailto:franciscanlife@fslf.org); [www.fslf.org](http://www.fslf.org).