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### Fifth Sunday of Lent

March 18, 2018

Give me justice, O God!

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### FR. KENNETH POPP - PASTOR

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### MICHAEL PEKAR - PASTORAL ASSOCIATE

Michael's office hours are Tues, Pierz 2-4p.m. & Wed., Buckman 2-4p.m.

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### MASSES FOR THE WEEK:

Sunday	Mar. 18	Pierz	7:00 p.m.	Communal Penance Service
Monday	Mar. 19	Villa	9:30 a.m.	Word/Communion Service
Tuesday	Mar. 20	Pierz	8:00 a.m.	+Jerry Bemboom / Anointing Mass of the Sick
		<b>Buckman</b>	<b>10:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Funeral for Stephen Uko</b>
		Villa	9:30 a.m.	Word/Communion Service
Wednesday	Mar. 21	Buckman	8:00 a.m.	+Jeanne Thommes
		Villa	9:30 a.m.	+Paul Solinger
		<b>Buckman</b>	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Stations of the Cross</b>
Thursday	Mar. 22	Buckman	8:00 a.m.	+Freda Schmitt
		Villa	9:30 a.m.	Word/Communion Service
Friday	Mar. 23	Pierz	8:30 a.m.	+Matt Luberts Jr. / Holy Trinity School Mass
		Buckman	8:30 a.m.	Word/Communion Service
		Villa	9:30 a.m.	+Wendy Voigt & Lorraine Voigt
		<b>Pierz</b>	<b>4:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Stations of the Cross &amp; Benediction</b>
Saturday	Mar. 24	Pierz	4:30 p.m.	+Jamie Hoheisel (Adult Choir)
Palm Sunday	Mar. 25	Pierz	8:00 a.m.	For the People of the Parish
		Buckman	10:00 a.m.	+Irene Brogdon (Folk Group)

**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.**

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**From the Pastoral Associate:** Jesus, the new Adam, the Son of God, had to suffer and die on the cross and be the perfect sacrifice for the atonement of our sin. We become a part of His Perfect Body one that has never sinned, never been separated from the Holy Spirit and the Father by being or will. We become a part of His Body at Baptism and therefore His will, His desire to follow the Father's will is embedded upon our hearts as Jeremiah in our reading today (and Ezekiel) were inspired to proclaim. Let us never cease to rely upon this unity that has been given to us in Baptism, sealed in Confirmation and nourished with the Eucharist. We give praise our God who loves us so much that He would do this so that we can be one with Him. ~~~ Michael Pekar

### AREA EVENTS:

\***St. Michael's Christian M/W Quilt Bingo/Raffle:** Sun. March 18, at 1p.m. at Buckman Parish Center.

\***Holy Name Men's Group of Holy Cross Church, Harding:** Annual ham bingo, Sun, March 18, at 1:30PM in the church basement. Cash prizes, and don't forget the "Man-Made" lunch!

\***Fish Fry-Pierz Lions Club @ Brickyard-** Fri., Mar. 23<sup>rd</sup>, starting at 4:30p.m.

\***Lenten Fish Fry-Immaculate Conception Church, Rice:** Fri. Mar. 23 from 5-7:30p.m. Take out orders available, call 393-3560 (between 4:30-7p.m.)

\***Fish Fry-Holy Cross Center, Onamia:** Fri. Mar. 23, from 4:30-7p.m. (kids under 6 eat free)

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**Social Concerns Committee:** next meeting, March 21 at 5 p.m., St. Joseph's Parish Meeting Room.

**Holy Trinity Catholic School-PTO Pierz:** 5th Annual Spring Boutique, Saturday April 7th, 2018 from 10-2. Concessions and bake sale on site. Handicap accessible. Come and check out the crafts!

### EXTRA CONFESSIONS UNTIL EASTER:

Wed. Mar. 21 - Buckman at 6:00p.m.

Fri. Mar.23 - Pierz at 3:00p.m.

Sat. Mar. 24 - Buckman at 12:00p.m. (Noon)

Tues. Mar. 27 - Buckman at 4:00p.m.

Tues. Mar. 27 - Pierz at 6:30p.m.

**DIocese CHRISM MASS:** Everyone is welcome to the Diocesan Chrism Mass at St. Mary's Cathedral, St. Cloud, on Thursday, March 22 at 7p.m. Sacred oils used in each parish are blessed by Bishop Kettler during this Mass.

**March is FoodShare Month:** The Pierz Area Food Shelf serves the eastern half of Morrison County, from Harding, Lastrup and Hillman to Pierz, Buckman, Morrill, and Ramey and an average of 55 families visit the Pierz Area Food Shelf a month. The hours are 9-11 AM and 5-7 PM on Mondays, or call 320-468-7134 for information. The Pierz Area Food Shelf located behind the Pierz Fire Hall. Thank you for joining in the efforts to end hunger in our community.

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

Adult	\$2193.00
High School	\$ 7.00
Elementary	\$ 4.00
Plate	\$ 96.00
	\$2300.00

Thank you for your generosity!

**MASS ATTENDANCE:**

<b><u>St. Joseph's:</u></b>
Sat. 4:30p.m. - 340
Sun. 10:00a.m. - 287
<b><u>St. Michael's:</u></b>
Sun. 8:00a.m. - 160

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

Adult	\$4736.00
High School	\$ 27.00
Elementary	\$ 65.76
Plate	\$ 515.50
	\$ 5344.26

Thank you for your generosity!

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

**PALM SUNDAY - March 25 @ 10:00 a.m.:**

**Lector-**Jane Funk

**Communion Ministers-** Debbie Hall & Kay Pappenfus

**Servers-** Brittany & Kaylee Gruber

**March Ushers-**Grant Stangl, Nathan Gruber, Shane Zilka

**FINANCE MEETING:** Thurs. March 22 at 7:30p.m.

**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING:** Thurs. Mar. 22 at 8p.m.

**LOOKING FOR CLEANERS:** We are looking for at least 2 parishioners or cleaning persons who would be interested in cleaning the church on a regular bases. It would be a paid position. If anyone is interested please contact the parish office 468-6033.

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**HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL NEWS (Office # 468-6446)**

Registration for the 2018-19 school year is open. The kindergarten visiting night will be Tuesday, March 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm. For more info call the school office 468-6446.

\*\*Thank you for the outstanding support of the Holy Trinity School Carnival! It is overwhelming to walk into the gym and see the 100 silent auction baskets, tables filled with goodies for the sweet shop, and the four hours of a gym filled with people enjoying the day. Blessings on all of you for your support of Holy Trinity School.

\*\*The semi monthly Toddler class will be held at 6pm, Wed, Mar 21, Children, ages 3-4 are invited to attend with an adult.

\*\*The Holy Trinity 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade spring play, Holka Polka, will be performed on Wednesday, March 21<sup>st</sup> at 1:00 pm and 7:00 pm. All are invited to attend.

\*\*Holy Trinity PTO is hosting a movie night at 6pm on Thursday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> in the school gym.

\*\*Friday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> is the end of the third quarter of school. It is a teacher workshop day.

**ORGANIST NEEDED:** We are looking for an organist to play at least two Sundays a month, Christmas, and Easter. Our Sun. Mass is at 9:45 am, at Holy Cross Church, Harding. If interested please call one of the following: Fr. David 320-468-2111, Debbie Weitalla 320-277-3860, Dave Schubert 218-829-7015 or Yvonne Kisor 320-277-3419. We can discuss the pay and days when you will play. Thanks!

**Join Catholics from across Minnesota for Capitol 101.:**

On **April 17<sup>th</sup>**, gather with fellow MN Catholics at the State Capitol and pray for your legislators. Pre-registration is required. For more info. and to register visit MNCatholic.org. A free-will offering will be accepted.

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter** The next weekend, Apr 13-15, in Baxter. For more information, call Alan & Missy Block at 888-455-3496 or visit them at northmnwwme.org.

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

**SERVERS FOR STATIONS OF THE CROSS:**

Fri. Mar. 23 @ 4:00p.m. - Courtney Kroll & Maraya Boser

**MARCH - Sat. 24 4:30p.m. & Palm Sun. 25 @ 8:00 a.m.:**

**Servers:** Sat.- Simon & Louis Gruber

Sun.- Isabel & Madison Gross

**Weekday Lector:** Joan Kapsner

**USHERS MEETING:** On March 26, at 7:30p.m. in the church.

**ADULT CHOIR:** - Practice at 4p.m. on Tues. Mar. 20<sup>th</sup>

**FOLK CHOIR:** - Practice at 6:30 p.m. on Tues. Mar. 20<sup>th</sup>

**NEW LIFE IN CHRIST:** Jaryca Elizabeth, daughter of Greg & Cindy Pohlkamp was baptized last weekend.

Congratulations and welcome to our community of faith!

**PRAYER BLANKETS:** Available at parish office. Giving a prayer blanket can give comfort to the sick & suffering. When one receives a blanket they know they aren't alone, but are covered in prayers. This ministry is committed to pray for the recipients as we prepare the blankets - then they are blessed by our Pastor. Donations can be left with the parish secretary. Questions: call Kathy Etzel at 468-2105.

**BUILDING & MAINTENANCE RAFFLE:** We need help selling raffle tickets at Coborn's, Fri Mar. 23 & Sat Mar 24<sup>th</sup> in Little Falls. I would anticipate being at Coborn's from 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM on both days. Call Dan at 320-360-1178 to set up what time works for you. Thank You!

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

Mar. 12-Eric Millner, Mar. 13-Nathan Athmann, Mar. 14-Greg & Betsy Fuhrman, Mar. 15-Barbara Howard, Mar. 16-Becky Przybilla, Mar. 17-Russ Swonger, (\$35 winners)  
Mar. 18-Lisa Smude (\$75 Winner)

**DEMENTIA:** If you are a caregiver and want to learn more about aging and Dementia, Horizon Health is offering a class June 19 from 8a.m.-4:30p.m. Lunch will be provided. Call 468-6451 for more information.

**Upcoming Faith in Action Events:**

**Wed. March 28<sup>th</sup>:** Dine & Discover on Diabetes- Karen Reisdorf, RD CDE Diabetes's Educator. Do you have Diabetes? It seems everyone knows someone who has Diabetes. What does it mean to live a healthy life with diabetes? Karen is a certified diabetes educator, will teach you the basics of diabetes and keeping track of your ABC's!. For more info contact Horizon Health at 468-6451.

**Upcoming Faith in Action Events:**

**April 13<sup>th</sup>:** Designer Handbag Bingo at the VFW in Little Falls

from 5-9 pm with proceeds going to our In-Harmony Daycare. Presale for \$25 or they are \$35 at the door. Must be 18 years old to play. 220 tickets are being sold we have about 100 left.

**April 25<sup>th</sup>:** Dine & Discover-Quilting and the Underground railroad- Julie Huseh

**SAVE THE DATE for upcoming events:**

May 2<sup>nd</sup>: Day of Caring

May 8<sup>th</sup>: LAMAA Forum in Baxter (Lakes Area Memory Awareness Advocates)

May 24<sup>th</sup>: Conference on Aging in Staples

**Exciting News:** Horizon Health has received a grant to provide classes on Dementia to caregivers to enable them to better take care of their loved one. If you have a group at church or socially that you belong to that could benefit call Melissa Prozinski at 320-468-6451. These classes are free of charge, but we do set out a free will donation basket. Minimum requirement of 10 caregivers in attendance.

The Dine & Discover series is now being broadcast on our local Cable TV station and put on to YouTube. It is scheduled for broadcast is every Tuesday at noon and Friday night at 8pm on local cable channel 180. They will also be posted out the GRA/GRTV Youtube

channel. [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC9fW\\_lp870KMRE56tp0-MHA/featured](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC9fW_lp870KMRE56tp0-MHA/featured)

**ARE YOU A SINGLE CATHOLIC WOMAN :** under the age of 45? Would you be interested in spending a day at Saint Benedict's Monastery? We are offering the following opportunities for this experience. All the dates are scheduled on a Sat, April 14, 2018. The time is from 9a.m.-3:30 pm. There is no cost for this one day experience. If you are interested, please contact Sister Lisa Rose at 320-363-7180 or email her at [rose@csbsju.edu](mailto:rose@csbsju.edu).

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

**The Foundations of Faith Community Nursing Class** at Grace United Methodist Church, St. Cloud, April 16-20. The goal is to increase the number of faith community nurses in churches; promoting the well-being of faith community members by helping them to access health care with the support of clergy, the faith community nurse, and the church ministry team. \$450 Scholarships are available. The course is required for currently licensed RN's who want to practice as Faith Community Nurses. Call St. Cloud Hospital Parish Health Ministries Program, 320-249-0280 for information.

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

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