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## FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2019

"I am the vine, you are the branches!"

### FR. KENNETH POPP – PASTOR

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

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ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH

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**Confessions:** Buckman – Thursday - 7:30 a.m., Pierz – Saturday - 3:30 p.m. or by appt.

**Adoration at the Pierz Villa on Thursdays from 5 a.m. to 11 p.m.**

### **MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 20<sup>th</sup> – MAY 26<sup>th</sup>**

#### **Monday May 20**

Villa 9:30 a.m. Word/Communion Service

#### **Tuesday May 21**

Pierz 8:00 a.m. +Robert W. Bayer

Villa 9:30 a.m. Word/Communion Service

#### **Wednesday May 22**

Buckman 8:00 a.m. +Alvin Janorschke

Villa 9:30 a.m. +Betty Bayerl

#### **Thursday May 23**

Buckman 8:00 a.m. +Herbert "Herb" Britz

Villa 9:30 a.m. Word/Communion Service

Pierz 7:00 p.m. Holy Trinity's 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation Mass

#### **Friday May 24**

Pierz 8:30 a.m. +Ardell & Lea Waytashek

Buckman 8:30 a.m. Word/Communion Service

Villa 9:30 a.m. +Lorene Servaty

#### **Saturday May 25**

Pierz 4:30 p.m. Reconciliation of our Nation Back to God

#### **Sunday May 26**

Pierz 8:00 a.m. +Harvey Otremba

Buckman 10:00 a.m. For the People of the Parishes &  
65<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary - Robert & Dorothy Oldakowski

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

Adult \$ 3780.85

High School \$ 17.00

Elementary \$ 16.00

Plate \$ 285.00

\$ 4098.85

*Thank you for your generosity!*

Mass attendance **May 12<sup>th</sup>** Sun - 355

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

Adult \$ 4956.00

High School \$ 21.00

Elementary \$ 12.50

Plate \$ 489.50

\$ 5479.00

*Thank you for your generosity!*

Mass attendance **May 11<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>** Sat- 214 Sun

8:00 a.m.- 309 10:30 a.m.- 576

### **HOLY TRINITY CALENDAR WINNERS**

**May 13-** Dacia Zimmerman, **May 14-** Cindy & Danny Scholl, **May 15-** Courtney Kroll, **May 16-** Bob Lochner, **May 17-** Mary Bibby, **May 18-** Hannah Kuschel/Mary Boser (\$35 winners) **May 19-** (\$75 Winner) John Henry.

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**FROM THE PASTOR:** As I am writing my letter, I cannot help but think of our graduates. As a church we celebrated with them, in this stepping stone in their lives at our Masses this weekend. I ask that we continue to pray for the graduates of 2019 and that they stay close to the church by coming to Mass each weekend. I feel almost compelled to repeat this often because you and I want them to be happy in their lives and without the church and without the Mass I believe deep happiness cannot happen. We are proud and happy for our graduates and may the peace of Christ be always with them.

Also, as I am typing my letter, it happens to be May 15<sup>th</sup> the Feast of St. Isidore Patron Saint of farmers. May St. Isidore protect our farmers and for them to always be good stewards of the land. If any farmers in our area would like their fields blessed please give me a call. ~ Fr. Ken Popp

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**LOOKING AHEAD:** Memorial Day mass will be in Pierz at 9:30 a.m. with American Legion in attendance followed by a precession to the Memorial Monument at the Firehall.

**FUN, FOOD, AND FUND DAY:** Tues., June 25<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. - 2:15 p.m. at St. Augustine's Catholic Church in St. Cloud. Registration is at 9:00 a.m. To register, contact Janis Fagin at 14585 31<sup>st</sup> Street, Clear Lake, MN 55319 or call 612-202-1591.

**BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL:** Thank you to everyone who has donated to the Appeal. As of April 26, 5,754 parishioners have donated \$849,080 in gifts and pledges. That is 65% of the Diocese's goal of \$1,300,000. Every dollar raised goes directly to diocesan ministries like respect for life and the diaconate, and is not used for any other purpose.

### **HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL – 468-6446**

\*Registration is open for the 2019-20 school year.

\*The 6<sup>th</sup> annual HTCS 18 hole golf tournament is Saturday, June 22<sup>nd</sup> with the shotgun start at 10:00am. The cost is \$75 / golfer. The committee is in the process of contacting businesses and individuals to sponsor a hole. If you are interested in sponsoring or golfing, please contact the school office or Mary Caughey, 218.820.0772

\*Sixth grade graduation will be 7:00 pm Thursday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> at St. Joseph Church.

\*Kindergarten graduation will be at 9:30 am Friday, May 24<sup>th</sup> in the school gym.

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

**\*SUN., May 26<sup>th</sup> @ 10:00 a.m.**

**Lector:** Todd Caddy

**Communion Minister:** Kay Pappenfus & Connie Kieffer

**Servers:** Westin Hoheisel & Cole Andres

**May Ushers:** John Grittner, Sam Seelen & Jerry Posch

**Christian Mothers/Women** has established a Spiritual Committee. We discussed making prayer chaplets. Also, starting adoration on the second Wednesday of the month at St. Michael's in Buckman. Our first adoration evening is June 12<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. If you want to help, please call Patty at 468-2487.

**ORGAN PLAQUE:** The Plaque listing the names of those who contributed to the Organ Restoration Project is now hanging in the back of the church beside the Window Restoration plaque. We thank Joe Virnig for making the Board, Jason Gruber for the wood, St. Michael's Choir and St. Michael's Parish for paying for the lettering, etc. Our organ is playing beautifully and was a project needed to ensure our organ is able to be played to provide beautiful music for generations to come. *Thank you so much!*

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**The Franciscan Sisters of Little Falls** is hosting the 12<sup>th</sup> annual Franciscan Girls Camp, Tues., June 4<sup>th</sup>, 10 a.m. – Thurs., June 6<sup>th</sup>, 6p.m. in Assisi Park, located at St. Francis Convent, Little Falls. Girls who have completed grades 6-8 are invited to enjoy a variety of nature and fun activities, campfire, prayer and singing. For more info., call Sr. Ange Mayers @ 320-632-0680.

### **Upcoming Faith in Action Events:**

Caregiver Support Group: Join us on the 3rd Wed. of every month at 2pm, First United Church in Little Falls, Fireside Room. For more info., call Angie Athman at 468-6451.

### **Upcoming Faith in Action Events:**

**Wed. May 29<sup>th</sup> from 11:30a.m.-1p.m.: Dine and Discover – Fitness and You! With Autumn Pechan**, she has 18 years of coaching experience at Curves and will be here to get some pep into your step for summer. When you get stronger, increase your flexibility and work to prevent injury— you're setting the stage for a healthy, active future. We will cover Curves Programs and you will participate in moves from Body Basics and Balance classes. These moves focus on strength based functional movements that emphasize the arms, core and legs as well as help improve stability and a strong core. Please RSVP by Friday, May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2019 by contacting Kristine Hoheisel at Horizon Health at (320) 468-6451 option 8

### **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!

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend:** The next available weekends are Jul. 12-14, 2019 in Buffalo, MN and Sept. 20-22, 2019 in Alexandria, 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.

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

**\*SAT., May 25<sup>th</sup> @ 4:30 p.m. & SUN May 26<sup>th</sup> @ 8:00 a.m.**

**Servers:** Sat. – Faith Bridewell & Courtney Kroll

Sun. – Cody & Ashley Kimman

**Weekday Lector:** – Jan Dahmen

**COMMUNION MINISTERS FOR JUNE:** Sat.-Choir-Kristie Kroll, Marilyn Dorn, Loretta Przybilla & Jan Dahmen. Sun.– Jan Kimman, Wanda Kapsner, & Marilyn Virnig.

**LECTORS FOR JUNE:** Sat. - Al Pekarek &

Sun. - Keith Marshik

**USHERS FOR JUNE:** Sat. - John Kurtz, Neal Kimman, Jeremy Virnig, & Allan Kroll. Sun. - Neil Korf, Floyd Mathiowetz, Larry Etzel & Janson Sadlovsky.

**NEW LIFE IN CHRIST:** Macie Rae, daughter of Kyle and Nicole Girtz was baptized on Saturday, May 11<sup>th</sup> and Maximus Don, son of Shane and Maryrose Knutson was baptized on Sunday, May 12<sup>th</sup>. Congratulations and welcome to our community of faith!

### **II BANNS OF MARRIAGE (June 8<sup>th</sup>):**

Elizabeth Tomala & Nick Lefebure

**GRAND RAFFLE:** St. Joseph's Grand Raffle is now accepting cash donations. We appreciate every donation received to help make our grand raffle one of the best. You may drop the donation off or contact the Parish office at 468-6033. *Thanks!*

**Carnation Mother's Day Flower Sale:** Thank you so very much to everyone who purchased or just donated money for our Mother's Day Carnation Sale. We raised \$415.75 to send to Birthline.

**\*\*CATHOLIC UNITED FINANCIAL** is looking for 1-2 people to be part of a committee. This committee meets three times per year to come up with ideas for Catholic United Financial. Must be a member of CUF. Interested candidates should contact Mark Hoheisel @ 320-468-2640. **PLEASE NOTE DATE CHANGE** \*CUF will meet on May 22<sup>nd</sup> @ 10:30 a.m. in Father Pierz School of Religion. All are welcome to attend.

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

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**LOCAL SUPPORT GROUP:** Meetings will be held Saturday nights at 6 p.m. in the St. Michael's Parish Center. Any questions, please give Lee Herold a call at 320-733-4770. *Everyone is welcome to come!*

**2019 SUMMER VOCATION EVENTS** We offer the following events for young men: June 10 – 12: Bulldog Lake Camp, Hillman, MN (men in grades 7<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup>) June 18 – 20: Bus Tour, Alexandria (men in grades 7<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>) June 24 – 26: Avon Camp (Mead residence) (men in grades 7<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup>) August 3: Paschal Challenge, Sauk Centre (men in grades 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>) **Registration deadline is Monday, July 29 to guarantee a t-shirt.** Registration is on-line at <http://vocations.stcdio.org/events/>.

**St. Joseph's Church - 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!

### **Nominations for the 2019 Humanae Vitae**

**Award:** July 25, 2019 will mark the 51st Anniversary of Humanae Vitae! In celebration, we'll host our annual diocesan Humanae Vitae Mass & Award Reception on Thursday, July 25, 2019 at Saint Mary's Cathedral, Saint Cloud. We are blessed to have people in our diocese who have dedicated themselves to the promotion of Natural Family Planning and the principles of Humanae Vitae. If you know a person(s) who has demonstrated courage in promoting Natural Family Planning, submit your nomination in writing (500 words or less). For more information visit: [www.stcdio.org/omf/nfp](http://www.stcdio.org/omf/nfp) Send, fax, or e-mail nominations before May 15, 2019 to the Office of Marriage and Family, Natural Family Planning Advisory Committee, 305-7th Avenue North Suite 100, Saint Cloud, MN 56303 Fax: 320-258-7658 e-mail: [omf@gw.stcdio.org](mailto:omf@gw.stcdio.org) Questions? Contact Sheila Reineke @ [sreineke@gw.stcdio.org](mailto:sreineke@gw.stcdio.org) or 320-252-4721 x308.

– Prayer Team volunteers work in conjunction with hospital chaplains to bring intercessory prayer to pre-determined patients and their families. We meet Tues and Thurs from 2:30pm to 4:30pm. Please prayerfully consider being a Prayer Team volunteer. Contact the Spiritual Care Office at 320-251-2700, ext. 54621 or email, [wiehoffb@centracare.com](mailto:wiehoffb@centracare.com) for more information.

**SEVEN SISTERS APOSTOLATE:** Do you have 1 week to spend in prayer? Please consider joining the Seven Sisters Apostolate. We have an active group at St. Josephs/St Michaels praying for Fr. Popp, and the diocese is starting a group of 21 women to pray specifically for Bishop Kettler. You would commit for a 1 yr. term, praying for 1 hr. any day of the week you choose. Call Pam Evans @ 320-492-0289.