

**EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY OF
ORDINARY TIME**

August 4th, 2019

“Lord, do not delay in your coming!”

ST. JOSEPH’S & ST. MICHAEL’S CHURCH

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Regular Mass times for Area Community Parishes:

St. John Nepomuk of Lastrup – Sat., at 8 p.m. and Sun., at 10:45 a.m.

Holy Cross Church of Harding -Sun., at 8:45 a.m.

MASSSES FOR THE WEEK OF AUG. 5th – AUG. 11th

Monday Aug. 5

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

Tuesday Aug. 6

Pierz 8:00 a.m. +Leonard Kapsner & Eileen Zens

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

Wednesday Aug. 7

Buckman 8:00 a.m. +LaVerne Girtz Jutz

Villa 9:30 a.m. +Harvey “Joe” Block

Pierz 7:30 p.m. Knights of Columbus Mass

Thursday Aug. 8

Buckman 8:00 a.m. Deceased members of Pete & Mary Perleberg Family

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

Friday Aug. 9

Pierz 8:00 a.m. +Elaine Meyer

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

Villa 9:30 a.m. All Members of St. Joseph’s CM/W

Saturday Aug. 10

Pierz 4:30 p.m. +Art Leikvoll (NO ADULT CHOIR)

Sunday Aug. 11

Pierz 8:00 a.m. For the People of the Parishes (Folk Choir)

Buckman 10:00 a.m. +Tom Hoheisel & Sue Hoheisel

ST. MICHAEL’S WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP:

Adult \$ 2233.00

High School \$ 9.00

Elementary \$ 13.00

Plate \$ 189.00

\$ 2244.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Mass attendance **Jul. 28th** Sun. - 297

ST. JOSEPH’S WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP:

Adult \$ 5484.00

High School \$ 7.00

Elementary \$ 12.00

Plate \$ 334.92

\$ 5837.92

Thank you for your generosity!

Mass attendance **Jul. 27th Sat.**- 180,

Jul. 28th Sun.- 249

HOLY TRINITY CALENDAR WINNERS

Jul. 29- Dan & Katherine Bennett, **Jul. 30-**

Mary Boser, **Jul. 31-** Caroline Schmitz, **Aug.**

1- Tony & Jolene Kotten, **Aug. 2-** Gerry

Pomrenke, **Aug. 3-** Geri Pohlkamp (\$35

Winners). **Aug. 4-** Esther Britz (75 Winner).

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.

FROM THE PASTOR: I want to welcome all who are attending our Parish Festival here at St. Joseph’s this weekend. You will find many different choices of food here at the Festival and many other activities. My great nephew and his band are playing for us this weekend as well. I want to thank all those who worked so hard in getting the Festival off the ground this year and may God bless all of you as you enjoy the day. ~**Fr. Ken Popp**

Bishop’s Annual Appeal: The August edition of The Central Minnesota Catholic magazine has information about how our communities benefit from your generosity. Some of you may also receive a letter for the appeal being mailed this week to households that have not yet responded for 2019.

SAVE THE DATE: **66th Annual Fall Conference of the Council of Catholic Women** to be held at St. Boniface in Cold Spring, Saturday, Sept. 21st. starting at 8:30. The theme is "Servants of God, Guiding Out Youth". The day will include speakers, mass with the Bishop, business meeting, installation of officers, lunch, Chaplet of St. Michael. Registration \$15, due by Sept. 11th to Marlene Statz 27586 Co.Rd. 9, Richmond, MN 56368. Make checks payable to Cold Spring Deanery.

SEVEN SORROWS OF MARY ROSARY, we will be praying, for our country at 4 p.m. on Sun. August 11th at Pierz Villa Chapel. If you have any questions call Patty 468-2487

ADORATION August 14th at 7 p.m. at St. Michael’s Church in Buckman. Please come and join us. Any questions please contact Patty at 468-2487.

ROSARY AT THE GROTTTO: Wed, August 7th at 8 p.m. In case of inclement weather, we will move to St. Joseph’s Church.

EVERYONE WELCOME, to learn how to make Cord Rosaries and Chaplets. Tues, Aug. 6th starting at 9:30a.m. at parish office meeting Room in Pierz. If you can please bring needle nose pliers, scissors and a ruler. Experience rosary makers will be here to help you. Open to everyone! (all ages are welcome). Any questions please call Patty at 468-2487. We are making the rosaries and chaplets for the Spiritual Committee to hand out. *Come and enjoy the morning with us!*

Marriage Encounter Weekend: Make plans for a fall getaway 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 20-22, Alexandria and Sep 6-8, Marvin, SD. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: northmnwwme.org or contact Alan & Missy at applications@northmnwwme.org or 888-455-3496.

ST. MICHAEL'S NEWS & ACTIVITIES:

***SUN. Aug. 11th @ 10:00 a.m.**

Lector: Sun. – Randi Kranz

Communion Ministers: Ron Kahl, Nicole Hoheisel, Randi Kranz, Alice Nordmann, Donna Solinger, & Kay Pappenfus

Servers: David Popp & Eli Kasella

August Ushers: John Grittner, Sam Seelen, & Mick Gruber
****CHOIR PRACTICE:**** Choir practice Tuesday, August 6th at 7:00 p.m. in the parish center. Any questions, call Cindy.

C M/W NEWS: If you would like to become a new member please contact Karen Stangl 320-420-6089 or Kristie Boser 320-260-5728. ****Recognition** for the 40th, 50th & 60th and introduction of new members will be after Mass on Thurs., Aug. 15th with refreshments and light snacks.

PARISH BAZAAR NEWS: ****Bazaar meeting,** Tues, Aug. 6th, 7p.m. at Bob and Lisa Leidenfrost's home. All chairs and anyone who has new ideas are invited to attend. *Thank you!*
****Fancywork Stand-**There will be room in the church basement for items to be dropped off and stored before the parish bazaar. *Thank you!*

PAINTING PROJECT UPDATE: We are now two weeks into our painting and renovation project. Things are moving along nicely. As we keep moving forward, payments for the painting project will be coming due. So, for anyone that has their pledges ready you may mail into the office, drop off in the collection basket, or feel free to drop off in the parish office.
Thank you for your generosity.

BAPTISMS AT ST. MICHAEL'S: Baptisms can be celebrated a St. Michael's in the hall during the renovation.

Steak & Wine Dinner & Auction: Mark your calendars! Holy Trinity is planning for the 7th Annual Steak & Wine Dinner & Live Auction on Saturday October 12th 2019 at the Brickyard Bar in Pierz. At this time, we are looking for donations of cash or items for the live auction. Questions/donations contact Becky Dehler 360-3721 or Kristin Andres 630-5354.

FRANISAN SISTERS OF LITTLE FALLS EVENTS:

Green Fair Folk Festival, Wed, August 7, 4-8 p.m., on the west lawn at St. Francis Convent, Little Falls. The Green Fair Folk Festival is an afternoon and evening of live music, vendors and education booths, kids' events and delicious food—everyone is welcome, free and open to the public.

The Annual Rural Life Celebration, Sun., August 18, at Randy and Amanda Hartung farm near Freeport (40607 County Road 153, Freeport, 2 miles north of St. Anthony). Mass with Bishop Kettler at 10:30am. The event also includes a meal, entertainment and fun for the whole family. The event is free, though a second collection will be taken up to support the Rural Life Fund of the diocese.

ANNUAL STATE FAIR BUS TRIP: Senior Citizen's Day at the Fair, Thur., Aug., 29th. Seniors, their family and friends can reserve a seat on the bus for a \$11 pre-payment. Bus reservations **MUST** be made and pre-paid by Aug. 16th. For reservations and more information call 468-6451 option 2 for Marie Kottke. **GREAT TIME FOR ALL!**

SAVE THE DATE: Diocesan Blue Mass. Thur., Sept. 12th at 7 p.m. at the Cathedral of Saint Mary, St. Cloud. A Mass to honor police, fire & emergency medical service personnel who serve in the Diocese of St. Cloud. All are welcome! Please join us! For more info., call 320-255-9068.

ST. JOSEPH'S NEWS AND ACTIVITIES:

*** SAT. Aug. 10th @ 4:30 p.m. & SUN. Aug. 11th @ 8:00 a.m.**

Servers: Sat. – Allison & Isabel Gross

Sun. – Garrett & Madelyn Kessler

Weekday Lector: – Al Pekarek

COMMUNION MINISTERS FOR AUGUST: Sat.- Marilyn Dorn, Jan Dahmen, Loretta Przybilla, Choir-Michelle Litke., Sun.-Jan Kimman, Beth Fisher, Doris Thyen.

LECTORS FOR AUGUST: Sat.-Geri Kasper,
Sun.-Gary Poser

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

COMMUNION MINISTERS FOR AUG. 15TH 5:30 P.M.:

Jan Kimman, Marvin Kimman, & LeRoy Swanson

II BANNS OF MARRIAGE (Wedding August 24th):

Kendra Przybilla & Jackson Zenzen

Christian Mothers/Women Oktoberfest Pie Booth: We are in need of workers on Saturday, August 24th making pies at 8 am and on Sunday, August 25th down at the Pierz Park selling pies. To help on Saturday, call Eileen Pohlkamp at 360-2434. To help on Sunday, call Jo Loidolt at 630-6088. The CM/W are also accepting any cash donations for the cost of ingredients. You can bring your donation to the park or put it in a marked envelope and put it in the collection basket.

AREA EVENTS:

****St. James Church August Fest 2019:** Sun, Aug 11th Mass at 10 a.m. Gorka's Chicken and Ham Dinner with all the trimmings, dinner served from 10:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Live auction with many unique items starts at 3 p.m. Special Hunter's Raffle. Live music by Jerry Bierschbach. \$2,000 Grand Raffle drawing at 4:30 p.m. - over \$11,000 in cash & prizes! Christian Booth with "Our Father" Quilt Raffle

Natural Family Planning!

Learn about the benefits of Natural Family Planning (NFP).

***Little Falls** - Tues, Aug 6, 7:30 p.m. at the NFP Office in the Unity Specialty Center of St. Gabriel's Hospital. For info, or to register, contact Mary Bontjes at bontjesmary@yahoo.com or call the Little Falls NFP Office at 320-631-5660.

***St. Cloud** - on Thurs, Aug 22 at 6:30 p.m. at the Office of Marriage & Family. For more info, or to register, contact Sheila Reineke at omf@gw.studio.org or 320-252-4721. **Class is approximately 1½ to 2 hours long. *Note: Most insurance plans cover the cost of NFP Instruction and follow-up!**

Koinonia Retreat, is people joining together to get to know Jesus, God, each other, and ourselves as we experience Christian Community. Join us in this Christian Living experience designed for adults age 20 and older. Retreats are held in Belle Prairie at the TEC center 3 miles north of Little Falls. Next retreat, Sept., 13-15. The weekend starts at 5:30 pm Friday and ends Sunday afternoon. Applications can be completed online on our website: centralmnkoinonia.org. To get a paper application call Kathy at 320-630-1880 or contact us by email at cmkoinonia@gmail.com to get an application. Cost of the weekend is \$70 includes meals and lodging. Scholarships are available for those in need.

Save A Marriage. Are you or someone you know, living in the pain of a marriage in trouble? Retrouvaille can help. Next program starts Sept. 13, at Country Inn & Suites in St. Cloud. Call 320-255-5314 or, at website www.helpourmarriage.org for more info. Preregistration is required. Space is limited.

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

St. Joseph's Church - HEARING ASSISTANCE: If you are having difficulty hearing and understanding 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!

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.

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!

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!

Upcoming Faith in Action Events:

Juniper Sail Class - Stay Active & Independent for Life.
Improve your strength, balance and fitness and in the process reduce your risk of falling and stay independent. Classes are Monday's and Wednesday's from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. 12 Week program at no cost to you. Located at Horizon Health Pierz.

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.

PARTNERSHIP BARN DANCE



SAVE THE DATE!! On Sat, Sept 28th we will be kicking up our heels at the 6th annual Partnership Barn Dance at the Christianson Family Farm in Battle Lake. 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!!