

**TWENTIETH SUNDAY OF  
ORDINARY TIME**

August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2019

“With the Lord there is mercy!”

**ST. JOSEPH’S & ST. MICHAEL’S CHURCH**

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

**St. John Nepomuk of Lastrup** - Saturdays at 8:00 p.m. and Sundays at 10:45 a.m. **Holy Cross Church of Harding** -Sundays at 8:45 a.m.

**MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF AUG. 19<sup>th</sup> – AUG. 25<sup>th</sup>**

**Monday Aug. 19**

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

**Tuesday Aug. 20**

Pierz 8:00 a.m. +Ardell & Lea Waytashek

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

**Wednesday Aug. 21**

Buckman 8:00 a.m. +Helen & Sarah Nagel

Villa 9:30 a.m. +Roman & Dennis Kahlhamer

**Thursday Aug. 22**

Buckman 8:00 a.m. +Betty Jane Bayerl

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

**Friday Aug. 23**

Pierz 8:00 a.m. +Fr. Al Stangl

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

Villa 9:30 a.m. +Albert & Lorene Servaty

**Saturday Aug. 24**

Pierz 1:30 p.m. **Wedding** – Kendra Przybilla & Jackson Zenzen

Pierz 4:30 p.m. For the People of the Parishes and (Adult Choir)

*Memorial High School Class of 1959 Reunion – Congratulations!*

**Sunday Aug. 25 – Pierz Oktoberfest –**

Buckman 8:00 a.m. +Emily Dehler

Pierz 9:30 a.m. +Rueben & Helen Bayer (Folk Group)

**ST. MICHAEL’S WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP:**

Adult \$ 3370.00

High School \$ 8.00

Elementary \$ 14.75

Plate \$ 267.12

\$ 3659.87

*Thank you for your generosity!*

Mass attendance **Aug. 11<sup>th</sup> Sun.** - 353

**ST. JOSEPH’S WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP:**

Adult \$ 6600.00

High School \$ 6.00

Elementary \$ 13.50

Plate \$ 361.00

\$ 6980.50

*Thank you for your generosity!*

Mass attendance **Aug. 10<sup>th</sup> Sat.**- 184,

**Aug. 11<sup>th</sup> Sun.**- 244

**HOLY TRINITY CALENDAR WINNERS**

**Aug. 12** – Al & Geri Kasper, **Aug. 13** – Max

Wilman, **Aug. 14** – Janet Holtz-Virrig, **Aug.**

**15** – Shirley Jansen, **Aug. 16** – Crystal Ratke,

**Aug. 17** – Paul Cekalla (\$35 Winners).

**Aug. 18** – Justin Lommel (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:** “The perfect family doesn't exist, nor is there a perfect husband or a perfect wife, and let's not talk about the perfect mother-in-law! It's just us sinners. A healthy family life requires frequent use of three phrases: "May I? Thank you, and I'm sorry" and "never, never, never end the day without making peace." Quote from Pope Francis.

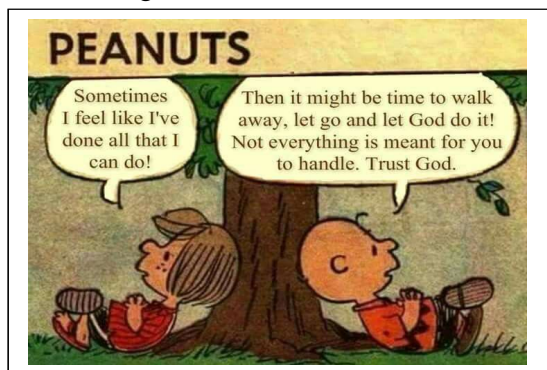
I hope everyone is enjoying the fast summer with family and friends. ~ Fr. Ken Popp

**Diocesan Ministry Day:** Join Bishop Kettler and parish ministers from around the diocese at **Diocesan Ministry Day Sept. 30 at St. John’s University.** Keynoter and local author Laura Kelly Fanucci will share her message on “Our Baptismal Call to be Priest, Prophet and King.” The day begins at 8:30 a.m. with Mass and includes learning sessions and lunchtime conversations on a wide variety of ministry topics. Closing prayer and remarks are at 3:15. For more information and to register, visit [stcdio.org/dmd2019](http://stcdio.org/dmd2019).

**PATRIOTIC ROSARY 2019:** Because our nation is so desperately in need of prayers, various Catholic groups are uniting to pray the rosary on Wed., Sept., 11 at 12:45p.m. at St. Joseph’s Catholic Church in Pierz. The Hearts of Faith, local Christian Women groups, Legion and Auxiliary, Knights of Columbus, and the students of Holy Trinity School will each lead a decade of the rosary. There are 50 Hail Mary’s in the decades and 50 state, so we will be praying for 10 states with each decade. We also will be praying for all of our government officials. We are only a small voice, but for the future of this country we can gather together to pray to ask the Lord’s guidance for those who are in leadership of our nation.

**ROSARY AT THE GROTTTO:** Wed, August 21<sup>st</sup> at 8 p.m. In case of inclement weather, we will move to St. Joseph’s Church.

**CONGRATULATIONS!** To the Class of Memorial High School of 1959, who are celebrating this weekend.



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

**\*SUN., Aug. 25<sup>th</sup> @ 8:00 a.m.**

**Lector:** Todd Caddy

**Communion Ministers:** Randi Kranz & Debbie Hall

**Servers:** Hunter Jacobson & Breanna Andres

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

**NEW LIFE IN CHRIST:** Abraham Charles, son of Nathan and Kari Gruber was baptized on Sunday, August 11<sup>th</sup>.

Congratulations and welcome to our community of faith!

**PARISH BAZAAR NEWS:** **\*\*Country Store-**There will be room in the church basement for items to be dropped off and stored before the parish bazaar. *Thank you!*

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**HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL – 468-6446**

**\*\*Tuesday, August 20<sup>th</sup>** from 6-7pm will be the Holy Trinity preschool orientation night. Families with registered preschool children or families interested in registering for preschool are invited to attend the orientation night. Families will have an opportunity to complete paperwork, visit with Mrs. Litke, preschool teacher, ride the school bus, and bring supplies.

**\*\*Tuesday, August 27<sup>th</sup>** from 5-7pm will be the annual Holy Trinity School welcome back night and picnic. Families will have an opportunity to complete paperwork, visit the classrooms, bring supplies, and make a fun project.

**\*\*Delicious Guatemalan gourmet coffee** is for sale at the school office year-round. The purchase of the coffee supports farmers in Guatemala and Holy Trinity School.

**EVERYONE WELCOME, to learn how to make Cord Rosaries and Chaplets.** Tues, Aug. 20<sup>th</sup> 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!*

**UPCOMING FAITH IN ACTION EVENTS**

**\* Whacky Hacker Golf Tournament- August 23<sup>rd</sup>:** Call Melissa to sign up at 320-468-6451 option 5.

**\* Hospice Run- August 24<sup>th</sup>,** registration at 7:30a.m., 8:15a.m. Kids run starts, 8:30a.m. 5K race starts. Race begins and ends a Horizon Health, Pierz. To sign up call Angie Athman at 468-2788 extension 321 or online at [raceroster.com](http://raceroster.com).

**ANNUAL STATE FAIR BUS TRIP: Senior Citizen's Day at the Fair,** Thur., Aug., 29<sup>th</sup>. 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. 16<sup>th</sup>. For reservations and more information call 468-6451 option 2 for Marie Kottke. ***GREAT TIME FOR ALL!***

**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, 2019 in Alexandria, MN and Sep 14-15, 2019 in Marshall, 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. Aug. 24<sup>th</sup> @ 4:30 p.m. & SUN. Aug. 25<sup>th</sup> @ 9:30 a.m.**

**Servers:** Sat. – Maraya Boser & Courtney Kroll

**Sun. 9:30 a.m. –** Natalie & Caden Knutson

**Weekday Lector:** – Hilde Flicker

**NEW LIFE IN CHRIST:** Arya Marie, daughter of Preston and Olivia Weber was baptized on Saturday, August 10<sup>th</sup>. Congratulations and welcome to our community of faith!

**C M/W Oktoberfest Pie Booth:** We are in need of workers on Saturday, August 24<sup>th</sup> making pies at 8 am and on Sunday, August 25<sup>th</sup> 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.

**BAZAAR FOLLOW-UP MEETING:** Chairs and Co-chairs meeting Tues. Aug. 20<sup>th</sup> at Fred & Lynn Underhill home 401 Ronald Ave. Pierz, at 6:30p.m. You are welcome to bring a treat or dish to share, if you have any questions please call Crystal at 630-8952.

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**AREA EVENTS:**

**\*\*Holy Cross Church, Harding:** Sun. Sept. 1<sup>st</sup> Polka Mass at 10a.m. Dinner starting at 11:30a.m. Entertainment throughout the day, bingo, kids' games, fancy stand, silent action (11a.m.), & gun raffle (2p.m.). Everyone is welcome to come and have an enjoyable afternoon.

**Koinonia Retreat,** 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: [centrallmnkoinonia.org](http://centrallmnkoinonia.org). To get a paper application call Kathy at 320-630-1880 or contact us by email at [cmkoinonia@gmail.com](mailto:cmkoinonia@gmail.com) to get an application. Cost of the weekend is \$70 includes meals and lodging. Scholarships are available for those in need

**Steak & Wine Dinner & Auction:** Mark your calendars! Holy Trinity is planning for the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Steak & Wine Dinner & Live Auction on Saturday October 12<sup>th</sup> 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.

**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!*



**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.

**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 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!

**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.

**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!

**SM'S PRAYER LINE:** Those needing prayers can call Mary Malinowski at 468-6148 or Mary Brenny at 320-393-2781. Those willing to pray for people can call Mary Brenny.