

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH

**EASTER SUNDAY THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD**

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH

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The Lord is truly risen, Alleluia!

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**MASSES FOR THE WEEK:**

Monday	April 2	Villa	9:30 a.m.	Word/Communion Service
Tuesday	April 3	Pierz	<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Word/Communion Service</b>
		Villa	9:30 a.m.	Word/Communion Service
Wednesday	April 4	Buckman	8:00 a.m.	+Mary L. Dircks
		Villa	9:30 a.m.	+Phil & Cora Thielen
Thursday	April 5	Buckman	8:00 a.m.	+Irene Brogdon
		Villa	9:30 a.m.	Word/Communion Service
Friday	April 6	Pierz	8:30 a.m.	+Harver Hoheisel (school mass)
		Buckman	8:30 a.m.	Word/Communion Service
		Villa	9:30 a.m.	+Tony Medek
Saturday	April 7	Pierz	4:30 p.m.	+Margaret Marshik (Adult Choir)
Sunday	April 8	Pierz	8:00 a.m.	+Mike & Angle Dahmen
		Buckman	10:00 a.m.	The People of the Parish

**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 Pastor & Pastoral Associate:**

The word of God became a limited human being, experienced hunger, pain, joy, love, and all of what it means to be human. Then Jesus suffered, died and rose in obedience to His Father's will so that we would be saved. By our Baptism into His Body, that is in a perfect relationship with the Father and Spirit, we now share in His life, death and resurrection. We are not only saved for eternal life, if we live out our Baptismal relationship, but we are also saved for life this side of death, for we now have the full outpouring of the Holy Spirit in our Baptized bodies. This is a foretaste of our heavenly union with all the Saints of God who are perfectly unified in the Holy Spirit. What a wonderful cause for our Easter Joy. Let us proclaim the Good News to all whom we know and love. Let us celebrate Easter all the way to Pentecost and all throughout our lives. Have a wonderful Easter. ~~~ Fr. Ken Popp and Michael Pekar

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

Registration for the 2018-19 school year is open. Variable Tuition is available. Go to [www.holytrinitypierz.org](http://www.holytrinitypierz.org) for more information on variable tuition.

\*There will be Baked Potato Buffet fundraiser on April 4<sup>th</sup> from 5-8pm at Hard Times, Hillman to support students attending Camp Foley.

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

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

Mar. 26-Mary Bednar, Mar. 27-Eileen Pohlkamp, Mar. 28-Colin & Cathy Boser, Mar. 29-Julie Athman, Mar. 30-Fred Underhill, Mar. 31-Marilyn Welcome, (\$35 winners) Apr. 1-Karen K. Boser (\$75 Winner)

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

**AREA EVENTS:**

\***Bethany Lutheran Church, Ramey-All You Can Eat Breakfast!**-Sun. April 8<sup>th</sup> & May 6<sup>th</sup>, from 9-11:30a.m. Free will offering. Come and enjoy!

**RURAL LIFE CELEBRATION:** Will be hosted at Galen & Karla Stumpf's farm on August 12, 2018. Many volunteers are needed. If anyone is interested in helping with this celebration, please contact the parish office at 468-6033. God Bless you for your support.

**FPSR (Office # 468-2640):**

\***Nic Davidson** will be speaking in Pierz at St. Joseph's Church on Tue. April 3rd at 7pm. He will speaking about Treasures of the Catholic faith and Theology of the Body. Don't miss this opportunity to grow deeper in your faith!

\***I CAN ONLY IMAGINE** is a wonderful Christian movie on the power of forgiveness. The youth group will be going to a private showing of this movie on Wed., April 4th to the St. Cloud Theatre! Bus leaves FPSR @ 5:30pm & returns 9:30pm. Extra forms are in the high school office or FPSR.

\***CONFIRMATION** is on Tues., April 10th @ 7pm at St. Joseph's Church. Students need to be there at 5:30pm for the rehearsal and sponsors need to be there at 6:30pm in the Church basement.

**HAPPY  
EASTER**



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

Adult	\$ 2569.00
High School	\$ 13.00
Elementary	\$ 44.25
Plate	\$ 147.75
	\$2,774.00

Thank you for your generosity!

**MASS ATTENDANCE:**

<b><u>St. Joseph's:</u></b>
Sat. 4:30p.m. - 328
Sun. 8:00a.m. - 287
<b><u>St. Michael's:</u></b>
Sun. 10:00a.m. - 342

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

Adult	\$ 8764.28
High School	\$ 22.00
Elementary	\$ 30.61
Plate	\$ 312.46
	\$9,129.35

Thank you for your generosity!

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

**SUNDAY - April 8 @ 10:00 a.m.:**

**Lector-**Jane Funk

**Communion Ministers-** Debbie Hall, MaryKay Zilka, Bob Lochner, Jill Hoheisel, Janice Janson.

**Servers-** Charles Pekar & William Stangl

**April Ushers-** Brian Stangl, Gregg Stangl, Todd Caddy

**THANK YOU:** to everyone who helped with the CM/W Quilt Bingo/Raffle held recently. We couldn't do this without the sewers, quilters, coffee cake makers, workers on the day of the Bingo, and all helpers who made this day a success!

**CM/W MEETING:** on Thurs. April 19 at 6:30p.m. in the hall at St. Michael's Church. Groups 11 & 12 are to bring and serve refreshments. Questions please call Patty 468-2487.

**HELP NEEDED:** Help is needed to prepare and serve a meal for the Bishop and priests before confirmation on Tues., April 10<sup>th</sup>. If you can help, please call Patty at 468-2487. *Thank you!*

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**CATHOLIC UNITED FINANCIAL MEETING:** Thurs. April 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:30p.m. St. Michael's Parish Center.

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

**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.

**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.

**\*\*Jesus in the Gospels: Why the Search for the Historical Jesus Makes No Sense for Catholics (and other Christians):**

A Saint John's School of Theology and Seminary Theology Day, this presentation will explore the history of the search for the elusive Jesus of history followed by a provocative suggestion. April 17th, check-in from 6:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. and presentation from 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m., Church of Saint Mary, Alexandria, MN. Free event. Light refreshments provided. Registration is required:

[www.collegevilleMN.com/theologyday](http://www.collegevilleMN.com/theologyday), 320-363-3560 or [theologyday@csbsju.edu](mailto:theologyday@csbsju.edu).

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

**April - Sat. 7 @ 4:30p.m. & Sun. 8 @ 8:00a.m.:**

**Servers:** Sat.-Austin Becker & Leo Voigt

Sun.-Mason Hoheisel & Joleen Weyer

**Weekday Lector:** Hilde Flicker

**COMMUNION MINISTERS FOR APRIL:** Sat.-Sara Stumpf, Loretta Przybilla, Jan Dahmen, Choir-Barb Zajac. Sun.-Marilyn Virnig, Mary Tschida, Pat Hartmann. (**Installation of Marilyn Virnig on Sun. April 8<sup>th</sup> at the 8a.m. Mass.**)

**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.

**CM/W MEETING:** on Wed, April 11th at 6:00pm. This is the annual salad supper meeting! Members, please bring a salad to share! The salad supper meeting will be held in the church basement. Catholic Women who are not yet members, please prayerfully consider joining us for the evening and becoming members. You don't have to bring anything! Call Michelle Litke at 218-780-8560 if you have questions.

**A BIG THANK YOU:** To everyone that helped decorate the church for Easter!

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

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**SEVEN SORROWS OF MARY ROSARY:** We will pray the Seven Sorrows of Mary Rosary at the Pierz Villa in the chapel on Sun. April 8<sup>th</sup> at 4p.m. We will pray for peace in the world. Questions please call Patty at 468-2487.

**St Joseph's Quilting Circle:** will be stitching on a quilt Tuesday April 3 and Wednesday April 4 from 9-4 both days. All are welcome. We will teach anyone willing to learn.

**THANK YOU!** To all the ladies From Pierz & Buckman who help with the quilt projects throughout the year. We couldn't have done it without all your help. *Greatly appreciated Thank you!*

**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 in Little Falls. Presale for \$25 or \$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 Huseth

**Saint John's Abbey Guesthouse, Collegeville: Easter**

**Retreat:** May, 9-11. “*The Joy of the Resurrection*”

How can the promise of the Resurrection help us age gracefully? Presenters: Pastor Raymond Arveson, Sister Joyce Iten, O.S.B., Abbot John Klassen, O.S.B., Michele Rosha, B.C.C. The retreat begins with supper at 5:30 P.M. on Wed. and concludes at 10:00 A.M. on Fri. Cost: Single room, \$185; double room, \$320 (\$160 per person); meals included. To learn more or to register: [www.abbeyguesthouse.org](http://www.abbeyguesthouse.org); or call the Spiritual Life Office: 320.363.3929.

**Upcoming Faith in Action Events:**

**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 [lrose@csbsju.edu](mailto:lrose@csbsju.edu).

**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.

**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 Woitalla 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!

**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.

**K-YES Catholic Radio:** @1180AM, Learn more about your Catholic 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.

**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!*