

ST. JOSEPH'S & ST. MICHAEL'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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SUNDAY, JULY 31st, 2022

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Office Hours: Mon, Tue, Thurs. 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Wed. 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Closed on Fridays. Parish office number 468-6033.

Regular Mass Times for Area Community Parishes: Pastor - Fr. Jose Chettoor

St. John Nepomuk of Lastrup - Saturdays at 8p.m. and Sundays at 10:45a.m. Holy Cross Church of Harding - Sundays at 8:45a.m.
<https://stjohnslastrup.org/> 320-468-2111 <https://hardingchurch.org/> 320-468-2111

MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 2nd-AUGUST 7th	
Tuesday, August 2	
8:00 a.m. Pierz	NO MASS
9:30 a.m. Villa	Word/Communion Service (<i>only for Residents</i>)
2:00 p.m. Pierz	Funeral Mass: Ralph Quade
Wednesday, August 3	
8:00 a.m. Buckman	The Recipients of Prayer Blankets
7-8 p.m. Buckman	Eucharistic Adoration
Thursday, August 4	
8:00 a.m. Buckman	+Bob Oldakowski
9:30 a.m. Villa	Word/Communion Service (<i>only for Residents</i>)
Friday, August 5	
8:00 a.m. Pierz	+Deceased Family Members of Frank & Josephine Loidolt
8:30 a.m. Buckman	NO WORD/COMMUNION SERVICE
9:30 a.m. Villa	+Kay Voegtle (<i>Mass only for Residents</i>)
11:00 a.m. Buckman	Funeral Mass: Alvin P. "Butch" Janorschke
3-6:00 p.m. Pierz	Eucharistic Adoration
Saturday, August 6	
4:30 p.m. Pierz	+Francis Kasper (<i>Adult Choir</i>)
Sunday, August 7 – St. Joseph's Parish Festival (Note Mass Time Change)	
8:00 a.m. Buckman	+Gloria Lanners, & For the People of the Parishes
10:00 a.m. Pierz	+Albin & Irene Oldakowski

ST. MICHAEL'S WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP	
Adult	\$ 3,760.00
High School	\$ 4.00
Elementary	\$ 33.25
Plate	\$ 180.00
	\$ 3,977.25
Thank you for your generosity!	
Mass attendance July 24th Sunday: 228	

ST. JOSEPH'S WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP	
Adult	\$ 7,115.00
High School	\$ 6.25
Elementary	\$ 7.30
Plate	\$ 446.00
	\$ 7,574.55
Thank you for your generosity!	
Mass attendance July 23rd Saturday: 160	
Mass attendance July 24th Sunday: 244	

HOLY TRINITY CALENDAR WINNERS		
7/24/22	\$75.00	Gene LaPointe
7/25/22	\$35.00	Sierra & Brandon Meyer
7/26/22	\$35.00	Clint Sullivan
7/27/22	\$35.00	Shannon Coyle
7/28/22	\$35.00	John Jones
7/29/22	\$35.00	Kristie Boser
7/30/22	\$35.00	Betty Meinert

CONFESSIONS: Buckman, Thurs. - 7:30 a.m. Pierz, Sat. - 3:30 p.m. or by appt.

From the Pastoral Associate: Three things. 1) Wow, the St. Joseph's Church Bazaar is nearly upon us. I know that Father Popp and all involved are really appreciative of all the people who help either as workers or leaders/workers. If for some reason you have not had a chance to volunteer for something and would like to help-out please give the office a call. Everyone please pray for good weather and enjoy coming. 2) With all the wildfires and drought and other things going on we sure have been blessed in this area. Let us not forget to give God praise and thanksgiving and pray for those fighting the fires. 3) Keep praying for a very good new Bishop for the Diocese of St. Cloud. I am sure Bishop Donald Kettler would like to retire someday. ~ **Michael Pekar**

NOTE: St. Joseph's Parish Festival is next Sunday, August 7th, and the Sunday Mass times switch. Buckman will move up to **8 a.m.** and Pierz will be at **10 a.m.**

FR. LEROY MAUS: Father Leroy Maus will celebrate his 90th birthday and 56 years of Ordination on Sunday, August 21st at Seven Dolors Church in Albany. Mass at 12:15 p.m. with polka music followed by a BBQ, beer and lemonade. More details and RSVP cards can be found on the posters. Please RSVP to Fr. Maus at 320-281-5764 or by sending in the RSVP card by August 10th.

BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL: Thank you to those who have already supported diocesan ministries. As of July 18, the Appeal raised \$1,083,962 in gifts and pledges toward the goal of \$1,400,000 with gifts from 6,733 households. Every dollar raised goes directly to ministries that support our Catholic faith and is not used for any other purpose. Visit www.stcdio.org/annualappeal.

ROSARY AT THE GROTTTO: Wednesday, August 3rd at 8 p.m., Rosary at the Grotto (Corner of Hwy 25 & Hwy 27, across from Speedway). Please join us as we pray for our crops, families, community, and country. Everyone is welcome: families, couples, non-members, etc.

INVITATION TO THE PILGRIMAGE OF THE HOLY FAMILY: The Christian Mothers/Women invite you to participate in the Spiritual Pilgrimage of the Holy Family via the picture of the Holy Family. This spiritual journey is a journey of the host family in union with prayer partners. The host family invites The blessed Holy Family picture into their home and commits to praying the chaplet of the Holy Family each day for a week. The chaplet takes about seven minutes. Prayer partners in union with the host family petition the Holy Family to intercede for the intentions of the host family, by praying the chaplet each day. To sign up to pray the chaplet in your home, call Joanne at 320-290-1579.

ST. MICHAEL'S NEWS & ACTIVITIES:

SUN., AUG. 7 @ 8:00 a.m.

Lector: Randi Kranz

Communion Ministers: Janice Janson & Bob Lochner

Servers: William Stangl & Owen Stangl

Ushers for August: Frank Hoheisel, Steve Kahl, & Mick Gruber

ALL DAY ADORATION: All day adoration will be Wednesday, August 10th at St. Michael's Church in Buckman, from 8 a.m.-8 p.m. To sign up for an hour, call Patty at 468-2487.

GRADE SCHOOL REUNION: St. Michael's All Class Grade School Reunion will be Saturday, August 27th at 1 PM at Buckman Bank Tavern. Call Janice (320) 632-9332 or (320) 360-4353. Food & Beverages available for purchase.

HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL: 468-6446

***THANK YOU!** Thank you to those who have sent donations in the parish envelopes. We are truly grateful for your generosity.

***Coffee-**Regular (ground or bean) \$13.00, in French, Dark, or Medium Roast. Decaf (ground or bean) \$14.00.

***Mark Your Calendar-** ECE Open House- Thursday, August 25, 5pm-7pm. All School Open House- Tuesday, August 30, 5pm-7pm. More information to come!

AREA NEWS:

***Bazaar – Our Lady of Lourdes, Little Falls,** Sunday, July 31st. Polka/Gospel Masses at 8:30 and 10:30 a.m.

***Parish Festival – St. Joseph's Church, Pierz,** Sunday, August 7th. Mass at 10 AM. Outside music provided by Country Fried Grubers. Kids games for all ages and inflatables. Boutique stand, country store, pulls tabs, silent auction, gun raffle, quilt wheel, bingo, beer garden, hamburger & hot dog stand, bake sale/veggie stand, "Old Bank" pizza, cheese curds, pie booth. Grand raffle drawing at 4:00 pm.

***Pro-Life Retreat – Assumption Church, Eden Valley,** Saturday, August 13th. 8:30am– 3:30pm outdoor prayer vigil & Eucharistic Adoration, 4pm Benediction & Mass, 5pm Speaker Molly Winters "Standing Firm & HOLY".

***August Fest – St. James Church, Randall,** Sunday, August 14th. Mass at 10:30 AM. Gorka's chicken, haluski, and all the trimmings, corn on the cob and dessert served from 11-2. Cake walk, kid's games, silent auction, hunter's raffle, grand raffle.

***Parish Festival – St. Stephen,** Monday, September 5th. Chicken and ham dinner. Laverne and the Starlights.

***Bazaar – St. Michael's Church, Buckman,** Sunday, September 18th. Polka Mass at 10 a.m. Music all day by Old Tyme Country Boys (formerly Waltzeteers). Grilled sweet corn, pulled pork sandwiches, hamburgers and hotdogs, coffee cakes, pie & ice cream, caramel apples, cotton candy, beverages, bake sale, farmers market, fancy work, country store silent auction, cash bingo, grand raffle, gun raffle, quilt raffle, fish pond, cake paddles, games, and much more!

CENTRAL MN KOINONIA: Are you climbing a mountain in your life right now? CENTRAL MN KOINONIA is a weekend retreat program that commemorates the Paschal Mystery in a community setting. The next weekend is scheduled for September 23-25 at the TEC Center north of Little Falls. Cost of the weekend is \$70. Go to www.centralmnkoinonia.org for more information and to register for retreats.

ST. JOSEPH'S NEWS & ACTIVITIES:

Weekday Lector: August 5th: Al Pekarek

SAT, AUG. 6 @ 4:30 p.m. & SUN, AUG. 7 @ 10:00 a.m.

Communion Ministers: Sat. – Grace Stumpf, Ruth Stuckmayer, & Keith Marshik. ***Choir*** – Courtney Kroll
Sun. – Tarynn Dorn, David Stumpf, & Doris Thyen

Servers: Sat. – Isabelle & Alison Gross

Sun. (10 a.m.) – Braiden Maus & Faith Bridewell

Lectors for August: Sat.- Geri Kasper, **Sun.-** Mark Fyten

Ushers for August: Sat. – Lee Maus, Steve Boser, Andy Kapsner, & Mathew Stumpf. **Sun.** – Jim Gerwing, Daniel Loidolt, Mike Stangl, & Steve Maus.

AT PEACE WITH GOD: **Ray Loidolt** passed away on July 20th. A Mass of Christian Burial was held on Tuesday, July 26th at St. Joseph's Church with burial in the parish cemetery. We extend our sympathy to the families and assure them of our prayerful support.

ART BOOKS: St. Joseph's Church art books are available for pick up at the parish office. They are \$10 each.

GRAND RAFFLE TICKET BOOKS:

*A reminder that you may drop off your tickets in the collection basket, parish office or drop-off box in entry way of the office. We need all tickets, sold and unsold, returned.
*If anyone is in need of ticket books, give the parish office a call (320) 468 6033 and the parish staff will set aside the books your requested to pick up. Thank you!

PARISH FESTIVAL NEWS:

***Festival Chairs:** Can pick up their folder at the parish office.
***Boutique:** The boutique is in need of donations of handmade items, plants, and newly purchased items. Please mark them for the boutique and leave them in the parish office. If you took dish towels to embroider, please return them to the office. Thank you. Questions call Kitti Solinger 320-360-7011 or Kathy Etzel 612-203-7423.

***Country Store:** We are in need of new and gently used items. We also take cash donations to use towards items as well.

Please no clothing or books. Contact Stephanie Fyten at 320-360-4895 or the parish office at 468-6033 with any questions.

***Silent Auction:** The Silent Auction committee is looking for donations for the silent auction for the upcoming parish festival. Items should be new or like new and brought to the parish office by Thursday, Aug. 4th. Questions - Contact Beth Fischer (320)630-1046 or Nikki Girtz (320)630-4713. Thanks for your help.

***NOTE:** All items can be dropped off at the parish office. Please be sure to label where you would like the items to go to. Thank you!

CATHOLIC FAMILY CAMPOUT: To strengthen Catholic families and build a community – All ages invited! Friday-Saturday Aug 19-20, 2022 at Holy Family Church grounds (near TEC center) 18777 Riverwood Drive Little Falls, MN 56345. Activities may include: Camping, Yard Games, Volleyball, Campfire, Gaga ball, 9 square, Ultimate Frisbee, Bouncy house, Horseshoe and more! Mass, Adoration, Confession, Divine Mercy, Rosary, and Praise and Worship, Dynamic teen speaker: Brendon Allaman. For more info and to register, contact Kay Kahler, president, at 320-630-2697 or pveritatis@protonmail.com or Julie Laflamme, member, at 612-965-7030 jlaflamme@holyltrinitypierz.org.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER VOLUNTEERS: The St. Cloud Hospital Spiritual Care Department is in search for additional volunteer Eucharistic Ministers. We offer training, a flexible schedule, and other perks through the Volunteer Program. If you are interested, please contact the Spiritual Care Department at (320) 251-2700, extension 54621.

PIERZ DINING CENTER: Bingo every Tuesday from 10:30-11:30 AM. We play 4-point smear every Wednesday and Sundays starting at 1 PM. Home cooked meals served Mon. Tues. Wed. & Fri. at 11:30 AM and Thurs. at 5 PM. To participate in the meal program, must be 60 yrs of age or handicapped. Take-out meals also available. Call 468-2160 one day in advance to reserve meal. The suggested donation is \$5. If you are homebound and live in the City of Pierz your meals can be delivered to you. For more info call the Center.

SUMMER RETREAT: The Franciscan Sisters of Little Falls invite you to attend this summer's retreat, entitled *Creating Peace through Franciscan Discernment*, to be held via Zoom August 15-19. Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. and 3 p.m. On Thursday and Friday, at 9:30 a.m. The retreat presenter, Sister Christine Still notes that co-creating beauty with God is at the center of Franciscan discernment. The focus of this retreat will be: How do I/we co-create beauty through peacemaking? The cost of the retreat will be \$80. For further info and to register by August 10, please call the Franciscan Life Center Office at 320-632-0668 or franciscanlife@fslf.org.