

**PENTECOST SUNDAY**

June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019

“Spirit of God dwells within us!”

**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.

**St. Rita’s Church of Hillman** - Saturdays at 4:00 p.m. and Sundays at 10:30 a.m.

**MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF JUN. 10<sup>th</sup> – JUN. 16<sup>th</sup>**

**Monday Jun. 10**

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

**Tuesday Jun. 11**

Pierz 8:00 a.m. Hearts of Faith & Prayer Blanket Recipients

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

**Wednesday Jun. 12**

Buckman 8:00 a.m. +Angie Poser

Villa 9:30 a.m. +Alvin Janorschke

**Thursday Jun. 13**

Buckman 8:00 a.m. +Tootie LeBlanc

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

**Friday Jun. 14**

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

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

Villa 9:30 a.m. +Melvin Gruber

**Saturday Jun. 15**

Pierz 4:30 p.m. +Paul Solinger (Adult Choir)

**Sunday Jun. 16**

Pierz 8:00 a.m. +Gert & Louie Przybilla (Folk Group)

Buckman 10:00 a.m. +Lambert & Marie Pohlkamp

**ST. MICHAEL’S WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP:**

Adult \$ 3248.00

High School \$ 7.00

Elementary \$ 16.52

Plate \$ 377.50

\$ 3649.02

*Thank you for your generosity!*

Mass attendance **Jun. 2<sup>nd</sup> Sun.** - 237

**ST. JOSEPH’S WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP:**

Adult \$ 7349.00

High School \$ 9.00

Elementary \$ 17.00

Plate \$ 318.25

\$ 7693.25

*Thank you for your generosity!*

Mass attendance **Jun. 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat.**- 171,

**Jun. 3<sup>rd</sup> Sun.**- 281

**HOLY TRINITY CALENDAR WINNERS**

**Jun. 3-** Meghan Thesing, **Jun. 4-** Tracy Solinger, **Jun. 5-** Jenny Brill, **Jun. 6-** Carol Welle, **Jun. 7-** Marvin & Ann Kimman, **Jun. 8-** Gary & Linda Solinger (\$35 winners). **Jun. 9-** Robert Pohlkamp (\$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.*

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**FROM THE PASTOR:** As you know, changes are coming for our parishes. Every parish in the Diocese of Saint Cloud will be part of an Area Catholic Community. These communities are comprised of two or more parishes that can gain substantial advantages by offering a more comprehensive set of pastoral services for their parishioners by being part of the group. **What has been the planning process thus far?** Bishop Kettler asked the planning council when looking at demographics and numbers to develop a plan for the diocese to be implemented in 2019. Priest focus groups began the process in the summer of 2017. Additional input was received from participants at the Diocesan Ministry Day workshop in September, at a Curia meeting, and fall deanery meetings with parish leadership representatives from every parish. In the spring of 2018, each parish was asked to hold discussions and submit recommendations. The planning council read through the over 650 submitted recommendations. Discerning and praying about the input from all of these discussions and studying work done from other dioceses the planning council discerned the concept of Area Catholic Communities. The parishes of Buckman, Pierz, Lastrup, and Harding have formed an Area Catholic Community at this time and meet monthly to discuss how to go forward in our area. More information will follow when available.

This weekend, we celebrate the **Feast of Pentecost** when the Holy Spirit came down on the disciples. All of us have been baptized into one and the same Spirit to strengthen us to go forth in the name of the Lord. May this same Spirit guide this committee and our parishioners to make good decisions for our Area Catholic Community. ~ Fr. Ken Popp

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**ATTENTION This Year’s 1<sup>st</sup> Communion Children Pierz & Buckman**

- The weekend of June 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>, is the feast of the Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi).

We will celebrate this feast by having a Procession of the Blessed Sacrament at all the Masses that weekend. We ask that any of this year’s 1<sup>st</sup> communion children who wish to dress in their 1<sup>st</sup> communion attire, join Fr. Ken Popp in this procession. The children may participate at either Parish.

**FUN, FOOD, AND FUND DAY:** The Diocesan Council of Catholic Women is sponsoring a Fun, Food and Fund Day, Tuesday, June 25th from 9:00AM-2:15 at St. Augustine Catholic Church, 442 2nd St. SE, St. Cloud, sponsored by the Foley/Princeton Deanery. Registration (\$15.00) is due by June 17th to Janis Fagin, 14585 31st.St. Clear Lake, MN 55319. Call Patty at 468-2487 by June 15<sup>th</sup> and your registration will be paid. All are welcome!

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

**\*SUN., Jun. 16<sup>th</sup> @ 10:00 a.m.**

**Lector:** Karen Stangl

**Communion Ministers:** Todd Caddy & Connie Kieffer

**Servers:** Nathan Posch & Ben Leidenfrost

**June Ushers:** Grant Stangl, Nathan Gruber, & Shane Zilka

**WELCOME!** Owen John Hebler, son of Alex and Erika Hebler to our community of faith!

**CM/W NEWS:** For St. Michael's CM/W, if you are planning on attending the FUN, FOOD, FUND DAY on June 25<sup>th</sup>, your registration will be paid. You will need to call Patty at 468-2487 by June 15<sup>th</sup>.

**ADORATION:** Starting Wednesday June 12<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. at St. Michael's Church in Buckman. Please come and join us. Any questions please contact Patty at 468-2487.

**UPDATE ON PAINTING PROJECT:** There is a new starting date. It will now start in July and be completed sometime in December.

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**AREA EVENTS:**

**\*\*St. Rita's Church in Hillman Vascular Dementia:** Wed. June 19<sup>th</sup> at 9:30-11 a.m. Gain insight on what tools you need to support individuals on their journey.

**\*\*St. Elizabeth Annual Parish Festival-Brennyville:** Sun., June 23<sup>rd</sup>. Beginning with a Mass at 10a.m. Entertainment for all: Prize Bingo, Basket Raffle, Fancy Stand, Children's games called Beth's Basement Bash, Food stands and much more; Youth Softball games, Gun Raffle, Quilt Auction at 2:30p.m. and Grand Raffle drawing at 4:30p.m.

**\*\*St. Augustine's Catholic Church-St. Cloud - Fun, Food, & Fund Day:** Tues., June 25<sup>th</sup> from 9a.m. - 2:15p.m. at Registration is at 9a.m. To register, contact Janis Fagin at 14585 31<sup>st</sup> Street, Clear Lake, or call 612-202-1591.

**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.

**DINE & DISCOVER:** Skin and the Sun – By Maral DeRosie. We hear about UVA & UVB rays, Physical vs Chemical Sunblock, and more. Wed. June 26<sup>th</sup>, from 11:30a.m.-1p.m. Horizon Center-Pierz. Please RSVP by Fri. June 21<sup>st</sup>. By contacting Kristine at 468-6451 or [khoheisel@horizonhealthservices.com](mailto:khoheisel@horizonhealthservices.com).

**Monday, June 17 ♦ Bishop's Golf Tournament** - Do you have your team yet? Come golf with Bishop Kettler to benefit the Seminarians Education Fund at Territory Golf Club. Pre-register \$75.00 per person by contacting Alice at [acoudron@CatholicFoundation.info](mailto:acoudron@CatholicFoundation.info) or call 320-258-7656.

**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!*

**ROSARY OF THE SEVEN SORROWS OF MARY:** We will be praying on Sunday, June 9<sup>th</sup> at the Pierz Villa Chapel at 4:00 p.m., *for our country*. All are welcome for more information please call Patty at 468-2487.

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

**\*SAT., Jun. 15<sup>th</sup> @ 4:30 p.m., & SUN. Jun. 16<sup>th</sup> @ 8:00 a.m.**

**Servers:** Sat. – Reagan & Reese Winscher

Sun. – Caden & Natalie Knutson

**Weekday Lector:** – Al Pekarek

**CORPUS CHRISTI - June 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>:**

**Sat.:** NCF-Kerri Kasper, NBF-Loretta Przybilla, SBF-Fr. Ken Popp, SCF-Marilyn Dorn, NCB-Marvin Kimman, NBB-Jon Dahmen, SBB-Linda Welle, SCB-Keith Marshik & Choir-Kristie Kroll.

**Sun:** NCF-Tracy Voigt, NBF-Wanda Kapsner, SBF-Fr. Ken Popp, SCF-Jo Loidolt, NCB-Matt Kassler, NBB-Jan Kimman, SBB-Marilyn Virning, & SCB-Beth Fischer.

**CONGRATULATIONS!** To Nick and Elizabeth Lefebure, who were married this weekend.

**Parish Festival Meeting:** Monday, June 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm in the parish office.

**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!*

**Country Store:** Is looking for new or gently used items (children's gently used games/toys, home goods, etc.). If you would like to donate please drop off items at the parish office marked Country Store. *Thank you!*

**CHANGE IN CEMETERY BOARD MEETING:** Wed. June 12<sup>th</sup> at 9:30a.m. in the parish office meeting room.

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**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 is on-line at <http://vocations.stcdio.org/events/>.

**BIRTHLINE CHANGED NAME TO ELEVATE:** Let's Have a Picnic! Mon. June 17<sup>th</sup> from 5-7p.m. Sauk Rapids Municipal Park. Come savor a beautiful evening outdoors while enjoying live music by Christy Freeman, lawn games, a summer meal and fun activities for the kids – face painting and park playtime. All are welcome – Bring the Family! For more information call 320-252-4150 or email [natalie@elevatestcloud.org](mailto:natalie@elevatestcloud.org).

**Franciscan Sisters of Little Falls - American Red Cross**  
The American Red Cross has scheduled a **Bloodmobile** at St. Francis Convent (St. Francis Hall), Little Falls on Monday, June 17, 1-7 p.m., Tuesday, June 18, 12 noon-6 p.m., and Wednesday, June 19, 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Anyone who is at least 16 years of age (please bring a parental consent), weighs at least 110 pounds and is considered to be in good health may be eligible to donate blood. There is no upper age limit and the time commitment is minimal. Please bring your photo identification. For more information or to make an appointment to donate blood, contact Sister Julien Dirkes at (320)632-0663

**Franciscan Sisters of Little Falls Centering Prayer and Lectio Divina** - The Franciscan Sisters of Little Falls invite the public to join them for **Centering Prayer and Lectio Divina** (Sacred Reading) on Thursday, June 20, 6-7 p.m., in the Gathering Space at St. Francis Convent, Little Falls. Centering Prayer is an ancient and contemporary way of prayer. In a small group, persons gather for 20-30 minutes to pray in quiet, listening with openness to God's presence and action in our lives. Centering Prayer is experiencing a relationship with God as well as a discipline to foster that relationship. It is a movement beyond conversation with God to communion with God. That is followed by "Lectio Divina," a reflection on the coming Sunday Scriptures. Come, the third Thursday of the month, gather with sisters and members of all faiths to ponder God's presence in your life, and open yourself to receive the gift of a closer union with God. No need to pre-register. For more information, please call (320)632-0668 or email: [franciscanlife@fslf.org](mailto:franciscanlife@fslf.org); [www.fslf.org](http://www.fslf.org).

**Franciscan Sisters of Little Falls 2019 Green Fair Folk Festival** - The Franciscan Sisters of Little Falls invite the public to attend the **2019 Green Fair Folk Festival** on Wednesday, August 7, from 4-8 p.m., on the west lawn at St. Francis Convent, Little Falls. Lots of family fun, interesting displays, fantastic music and vendors—all with a green message—are the highlights of this event. This is the 13<sup>th</sup> year for the Green Fair Folk Festival, which welcomed over 900 people in 2018, including 50+ vendors and various food booths. This year promises to bring new vendors, exhibitors and new activities. "Green exhibitors/vendors" are invited and encouraged to attend. Levi Pelzer will be performing along with various bands from the URock Camp held at St. Francis Music Center. The Green Fair Folk Festival, an afternoon and evening of music along with environmentally friendly ideas, is free and open to the public and is sponsored by the Franciscan Sisters of Little Falls. For more information, or to **pre-register by July 11 to become a booth exhibitor (or consider becoming a food vendor**—permit and proof of liability required), contact Elise Carey at [gfff@fslf.org](mailto:gfff@fslf.org) or call (320)632-0634 or visit [www.fslf.org/GreenFair](http://www.fslf.org/GreenFair). Look for us also on Facebook.

#### **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!

**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!

**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!

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend:** "*Many marriages would be better if the husband and the wife clearly understood that they are on the same side.*" ~ Zig Ziglar. A **Worldwide Marriage Encounter** Weekend restores communication in marriages. The next available Weekends are, Jul 12-14, in Buffalo and Sep 20-22, 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.