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Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 23, 2018
The Lord upholds my life!

FR. KENNETH POPP - PASTOR

Fr. Popp's office hours are Wed. from 1-3 p.m.
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MASSES FOR THE WEEK:

Monday	Sept. 24	Villa	9:30 a.m.	Word/Communion Service
Tuesday	Sept. 25	Pierz	8:00 a.m.	Word/Communion Service
		Villa	9:30 a.m.	Word/Communion Service
Wednesday	Sept. 26	Buckman	8:00 a.m.	Word/Communion Service
		Villa	9:30 a.m.	John Francis Weber
Thursday	Sept. 27	Buckman	9:00 a.m.	Word/Communion Service
		Villa	9:30 a.m.	Word/Communion Service
Friday	Sept. 28	Buckman	8:30 a.m.	Word/Communion Service
		Villa	9:30 a.m.	+Wendy & Lorraine Voigt
Saturday	Sept. 29	Pierz	4:30 p.m.	+Marcy Broschofsky (Adult Choir)
Sunday	Sept. 30	Pierz	8:00 a.m.	People of the Parishes (Folk Group)
		Buckman	10:00 a.m.	+Walter & Rita Stumpf

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.

FROM THE PASTOR: Congratulations to Leo Wehseler who is being installed as a deacon candidate at St. Mary's Cathedral on Monday, Sept. 24th. God bless Leo and his family.

Also, thank you to Fr. Nick Landsberger for celebrating the Eucharist for the class of 1968 at the 4:30 mass. This class was the last to graduate from Fr. Pierz Memorial High School. ~Fr. Ken Popp

****ATTENTION:** Fr. Popp is on vacation Sept. 24th - Oct. 3rd.

****WEEKEND MASSES:** Saturday, Sept. 29th - Fr. David Maciej will celebrate the 4:30 mass and hear confessions at 3:30. Sunday, Sept. 30th, Fr. Bob Harren will celebrate the 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m. masses in our parishes.

AREA EVENTS:

****Knights of Columbus breakfast** at St. Michael's Parish Center - Buckman Sun., Oct. 14th from 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Proceeds will go towards Holy Trinity and FPSR Scholarship Funds.

****St. Padre Pio:** Relics of St. Padre Pio will be available for public veneration from 8 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 25th, at St. Mary's Cathedral in St. Cloud. Bishop Donald Kettler will celebrate Mass at 7 p.m. at the Cathedral.

****Act-Oberfest:** Join us on Sunday, Oct. 14th, at the Freeport Community Center for entertainment for the entire family. Bishop Kettler, Fr. Marv Enneking, Fr. Ron Dockendorf, the Mitchell Bechtold Quartet, Nathan's Old-time Band and community members will perform a variety show. There will also be bands, dancing, a silent auction, food available for purchase, and free refreshments.

****PILLOW CLEANING** on Monday, Oct. 1st, 7 a.m. - 3 p.m. @ Red Rooster Bar (On the spot cleaning *Returned same day). Event sponsored by Pierz American Legion Auxiliary. Custom made new pillows & Down Comforters for sale.

BOXES OF JOY: Little Falls Deanery is sponsoring Boxes of

Joy for Christmas gifts for the missions. Delivery of the children's boxes has been delayed. More information will be forthcoming. If any questions, contact Patty C. @ 468-2487-Buckman or Nita H. - Pierz @ 763-553-2918.

Hands of Hope Resource Center is currently in need of volunteers. Volunteers are needed to work with victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, child abuse, and general crime on our 24-hour hotline. There will be a free volunteer advocate training starting in October. For more information, call Amanda at 320-632-1657.

HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL: BELIEVE, GROW, ACHIEVE 468-6446

***MARATHON FOR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS – 1:45 PM ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 27th.** We will begin by praying the rosary at St. Joseph's Church and will then walk around town. Mark your calendar to join us or donate to the annual Knights of Columbus endorsed marathon to support Catholic education. THANK YOU for your support.

*The potato orders are due on Monday, September 24th and potatoes can be picked up on Thursday, September 27th.

*Steak and Wine tickets are on sale for \$35 in the school office. The fundraising event is Saturday, October 13th!

ST. MICHAEL'S NEWS & ACTIVITIES:

ST. MICHAEL'S WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP:

Adult	\$1700.00
High School	\$ 3.00
Elementary	\$ 11.00
Plate	<u>\$ 458.05</u>
	\$2172.05

Thank you for your generosity!

MASS ATTENDANCE:

St. Joseph's:

Sat. 4:30 p.m. - 171

Sun. 8:00 a.m. - 261

St. Michael's:

Sun. 10:00 a.m. - 395

Workers Mass 7:30 p.m. - 102

ST. JOSEPH'S WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP:

Adult	\$6672.00
High School	\$ 11.00
Elementary	\$ 26.76
Plate	<u>\$ 323.75</u>
	\$7033.51

Thank you for your generosity!

SUNDAY - Sept. 30th @ 10:00 a.m.:

Lector - Paula Rocheleau

Communion Ministers - Rosemary Mischke & Cindy Scholl

Servers - Nick Scholl & David Gottwalt

September Ushers - Grant Stangl, Nathan Gruber, Shane Zilka

CHOIR PRACTICE: Tuesday, Oct. 25th at 7:00 p.m. Adult choir will sing upstairs on Sunday, October 30th.

GREETINGS! Are you looking for a way to become more involved in your parish community? We are starting a second choir group that sings for two Masses a month and are looking for members. No experience necessary. We sing the first and last Sunday of the month. Call or text Dwight Przybilla @ 320-248-7824 for more information. Our first practice is Thurs., Oct. 4th @ 7:00 p.m. at St. Michael's Church. Hope to see you there!

SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY: Saint John's School of Theology and Seminary invites you to STAR-Lite (Strategies Awareness and Resilience) training on Fri., Oct. 5th. All are welcome to join us at this free training facilitated by the MN Peacebuilding Leadership Institute. Space is limited to 60. Optional CDs are available for a small fee. Pre-registration is required. For details and to register now: <https://sloct52018.eventbrite.com>.

DINE & DISCOVER: Sept. 26th 11:30 to 1:00: Elder Financial Abuse Prevention for seniors and their families. Elder financial abuse, also known as financial exploitation, is the illegal or unauthorized use of an older adult's funds or resources for the benefit of someone other than the older adult. This includes fraud, theft, and acts of deception to gain control over a senior's money or property. Come and learn about common types of financial abuse, indicators and signs, and how to report and get help.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER: A Marriage Encounter weekend can rekindle the excitement and romance in your relationship. This is a private weekend away from life's distractions that allows a husband and wife to focus on each other. The next **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend** is Oct 5-7, 2018 in Buffalo, MN. 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. JOSEPH'S NEWS AND ACTIVITIES:

September -

****DONATIONS** are being accepted at this time for Holy Trinity School's Steak and Wine Dinner. Please call Brenda Prokott at 320-237-7902 or Kristin Andres 630-5354. ****TICKETS are on sale now at Holy Trinity School.**



Sat. 29th @ 4:30 p.m. & Sun. 30th @ 8:00 a.m.:

Servers: Sat.- Austin Becker & Leo Voigt

Sun.- Caden Knutson & Colton Kasper

Weekday Lector: Al Pekarek

COMMUNION MINISTERS FOR OCTOBER: Sat.-Sara Stumpf, Loretta Przybilla, Jan Dahmen, Choir-Barb Zajac. Sun.-Marilyn Virnig, Mary Tschida, Pat Hartmann.

LECTORS FOR OCTOBER: Sat.- Tracy Voigt & Sun.-Gwen Gruber.

USHERS FOR OCTOBER: Sat.- Dennis Zajac, Robbie Becker, JD Folger, Jon Stumpf. Sun.- Clint Kimman, James Gruber, Dan Loscheider, Jeff Virnig.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE:

III - Brady Dorn & Tarynn Kasper

****FOLK GROUP** will have choir practice Tuesday night, Sept. 25th., at 6:30 pm. New members are always welcome. If you have any questions, please call RoseAnn at 468-2767.

PIERZ CHRISTIAN WOMEN: The next meeting will be on Wednesday, October 3rd, at 6:30 pm in the parish office.

ST. JOSEPH'S QUILT CIRCLE Meeting Oct. 10th at 6:30. At this meeting, we would like to form a leadership committee of 5-8 people. This committee would be responsible for making decisions regarding how many quilts each group needs to make each year, be responsible for having batting and other supplies needed on hand, help sort quilts for the Quilt Wheel and Bingo, help hang quilts for the Bingo, and to address issues that may arise. This committee is separate from the group leaders. You do not need to be a group leader to be on this committee and group leaders are not automatically on this committee.

****SUNDAY NIGHT STUDY GROUP** will have their first meeting on Sunday, Sept. 23, at 7 PM. All are invited. If you have questions, call Al Pekarek at 468-0220.

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

Sept. 17 -Mathew Palmersheim, Sept. 18 -Beverly Kelzenberg, Sept. 19 -Joyce Leidenfrost, Sept. 20 -Lydia Janson, Sept. 21 -Shorty Girtz, Sept. 22 -Bernice Haver (\$35 winners) Sept. 23 - Tina Foss (\$75 Winner)

PRO - LIFE GATHERING: Come and discover the threats faced by unborn children, their mothers, elderly and disabled persons and other vulnerable people on Thurs, Oct. 11th at 7 p.m. @ Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church, Little Falls.

PRAYER LINE: Sept. 24th - 28th please call Jeanette @ 468-6415 or Carol @ 468-6404. After the 29th please call Karen @ 468-6818. Thank You!

ST JOSEPH'S PRAYER LINE: If you are in need of prayers,

please call Karen 468-6818. Thank you!

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!

PRAYER BLANKETS: Available at parish office. Giving a prayer blanket can give comfort to the sick & suffering. This ministry is committed to pray for the recipients as we prepare the blankets - then they are blessed by our Pastor. Questions: call Kathy Etzel at 468-2105

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!