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Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 4th, 2018

The Lord has done great things for us: we are filled with joy!

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	Nov. 5	Villa	9:30 a.m.	Word/Communion Service
Tuesday	Nov. 6	Pierz	8:00 a.m.	+Millie Sage
		Villa	9:30 a.m.	Word/Communion Service
Wednesday	Nov. 7	Buckman	8:00 a.m.	+AnnaMae Zajac
		Villa	9:30 a.m.	+Mildred "Millie" Gruber
		Buckman	7:30 p.m.	Knights of Columbus Mass - For the Deceased Members
Thursday	Nov. 8	Buckman	8:00 a.m.	+Emily Dehler
		Villa	9:30 a.m.	Word/Communion Service
Friday	Nov. 9	Pierz	8:30 a.m.	+Eileen Zens & Leonard Kasper
		Buckman	8:30 a.m.	Word/Communion Service
		Villa	9:30 a.m.	+Joe Malinowski
Saturday	Nov. 10	Pierz	4:30 p.m.	+Amy Jansen
		Buckman	8:00 p.m.	+Martin Tschida (Deer Hunter's Mass)
Sunday	Nov. 11	Pierz	8:00 a.m.	+Ed & Hildegard Kimman (Folk Group)
		Buckman	10:00 a.m.	For the People of the Parishes

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: While I was in Yellowstone visiting, I picked up this vocations prayer. I thought this would be an appropriate prayer to share with you, since this is National Vocations Awareness Week.

Prayer for Vocations: Lord Jesus, Son of the Eternal Father and Mary Immaculate, grant to our young people the generosity necessary to follow Your call and the courage required to overcome all obstacles to their vocation. Give to parents that faith, love and spirit of sacrifice which will inspire them to offer their children to God's service and to rejoice whenever one of their children is called to the priesthood or religious life. Let your example and that of Your Blessed Mother and Saint Joseph encourage both young people and parents let Your grace sustain them. Amen. ~ Fr. Ken Popp

****DIOCESAN VOCATION LITURGY:** at St. Mary's Cathedral in St. Cloud on November 8th at 7p.m. ***All are welcome to join us!***

AREA EVENTS:

Donuts & Coffee: St. Joseph's-Pierz** after the 8a.m. mass, Sunday, November 11th. ***All are invited!

***Craft and Bake sale at St Joseph's hall, Morrill,** on Sun., Nov. 4th from 9am-3pm. Lunch will be available.

PATRIOTIC ROSARY for the consecration of our nation back to God on Nov. 5th day before the fall elections, at St. Joseph's Church. Any questions, call Patty @ 468-2487 or Jan @ 468-2578.

ADORATION ON ELECTION DAY: We will be praying for our country and a positive outcome to the elections, Tues, Nov. 6th, Election Day. We will have adoration from 8a.m. to 8p.m. at St Michael's Church, Buckman. Please come at any time. If you can commit to a one-hour time slot, call Patty at 468-2487.

SEVEN SORROWS OF MARY ROSARY: Sunday Nov. 11th,

@ 4:00 p.m. we will pray the Seven Sorrows of Mary Rosary for our country in the chapel of the Pierz Villa. Call Patty @ 468-2487 if you have any questions.

HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL 468-6446:

*Parent / teacher conferences are November 7th and 8th. There is a Scholastic book fair, along with conferences. If interested in purchasing books, contact the office.

*The Steak and Wine fundraiser was an amazing fundraiser for Holy Trinity School. The final profit was \$84,552.88! Thank you for your support of Catholic education.

*The raffle calendars will be going on sale November 7th. Contact a school parent or the office to purchase your calendar. They make great Christmas gifts.

*The students and staff will be attending the Veterans' Day Program at 9:30 am on Thursday, November 8th at Healy High School. We are honored to have the opportunity to recognize our veterans and our country, along with the community of Pierz.

ST. MICHAEL'S NEWS & ACTIVITIES:

ST. MICHAEL'S WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP:

Adult	\$3216.00
High School	\$ 0.00
Elementary	\$ 6.35
Plate	<u>\$ 35.00</u>
	\$ 3557.35
Extra Collection	\$ 350.00

MASS ATTENDANCE:

<u>St. Joseph's:</u>
Sat. 4:30 p.m. - 232
Sun. 8:00 a.m. - 320
<u>St. Michael's:</u>
Sun. 10:00 a.m. - 287

ST. JOSEPH'S WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP:

Adult	\$6070.00
High School	\$ 24.00
Elementary	\$ 28.50
Plate	<u>\$ 379.00</u>
	\$ 6501.50

Thank you for your generosity!

SUNDAY - Nov. 11th @ 10:00 a.m.:

Lector - Jane Funk

Communion Ministers - Rosie Mischke, Dean Rocheleau, Leo Pohlkamp, Cindy Scholl, Jill Hoheisel

Servers - Avery & Clare Gruber

November Ushers - John Grittner, Sam Seelen, Jerry Posch

HELP! We are looking for a volunteer that would be interested in doing the Lector & Communion Ministers scheduling for masses. If anyone is interested, please contact the parish office at 468-6033. *Thank you!*

CHOIR PRACTICE: Tuesday, November 6th @ 7:00 p.m.

Choir will sing on Sunday, November 11th.

****CHOIR:** No choir practice this week. Choir will sing on Thurs, Nov 1st at 7pm All Saints Day and Fri, Nov 2nd at 7pm at All Souls Day Mass. Choir will also sing on Sun, Nov 4th.

FINANCE & PARISH COUNCIL MEETING: Thurs Nov 15th. Finance at 7:30p.m & Parish Council at 8p.m.

KOINONIA RETREAT: Belle Prairie, TEC Center, Nov. 9-11, 5:30p.m. Fri, ends Sun afternoon. Applications can be completed online, centralmnkoinonia.org. Paper application, call Dorie Reiter at 320-217-2476 or contact us by email at cmkoinonia@gmail.com.

Theology on Tap: Fun night out for young adults in their 20s and 30s. Thurs, Nov 15th at The Black and White in Little Falls. Social hour begins at 7p.m. Speaker Deacon Aspirant Leo Wehseler will give a talk titled: "Discerning God's Call". We hope to see you there!

Franciscan Harvest Supper -By the Franciscan Sisters of Little Falls, Sat, Nov 10, 4:30-7p.m., at St. Francis Convent, Little Falls. Chicken breast, sausage, garden vegetables, coleslaw, breadsticks, homemade bars and beverages will be served. Dinner tickets available at the door or by calling (320)632-2981. Proceeds from the Franciscan Harvest Supper will benefit St. Francis Health and Wellness Center and St. Francis Music Center, Little Falls. For info. (320)632-2981 or info@fslf.org; www.fslf.org.

St John's School of Theology and Seminary Theology Day:

The face of the church is changing rapidly. What cultural shifts are impacting the future of Catholicism? How will faith practices be different in twenty years? Please join us, Thurs. Nov 16th, 8:30am - 9am sign up, presentation, 9am-12pm., Emmaus Hall, St John's University, Collegeville. Free event. Lunch provided following presentation. Reg. is required: www.collegevilleMN.com/theologyday, 320-363-3560 or theologyday@csbsju.edu.

ST. JOSEPH'S NEWS AND ACTIVITIES:

Sat. Nov. 10th @ 4:30 p.m. & Sun. 12th @ 8:00 a.m.:

Servers: Sat.- Isabel & Madison Gross

Sun.- Colton & Kahlee Kasper

Weekday Lector: LeRoy Swanson

COMMUNION MINISTERS FOR NOVEMBER:

Sat.- Loretta Przybilla, Marilyn Dorn, Marvin Kimman. *Choir-Michele Litke. Sun.-* Leroy Swanson, Lois & Dan Waytashek.

LECTORS FOR NOVEMBER: *Sat.-* Tracy Voigt

Sun.- Karen Gross

USHERS FOR NOVEMBER: *Sat.-* Dale Przybilla, Lee Maus,

Steve Boser, Andy Kapsner. *Sun.-* Jim Gerwing, Daniel

Loidolt, Tom Albrecht, Bob Thielen.

ADULT CHOIR PRACTICE: Thurs. Nov. 8th, @ 10:00 a.m.

New members Welcomed!

NEW LIFE IN CHRIST: Ilah Everlee, daughter of Alex & Lindsay Harvey was baptized last weekend. Congratulations and welcome to our community of faith!

DONUTS & COFFEE: Sun., Nov. 11th after 8a.m. Mass.

Please plan to join. *All are invited!*

DISH TOWELS are stamped and ready to be embroidered for next year's Bazaar. Can pick up at the parish office entry way. Thanks for the great stitch work last year!

ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH FESTIVAL ITEMS: We are already looking for new items or completed baskets. You can drop it off at the parish office. *Seasonal items make great baskets!

FINANCE & PARISH COUNCIL MEETING: Tues Nov 13th. Finance at 6:30p.m. & Parish Council at 7:30p.m.

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

Oct. 29th - Brenda Kowalzek, Oct. 30th - Karen Stangl, Oct. 31st - Diane Reuck, Nov. 1st - Melva S. Warzecha, Nov. 2nd - Stella Virnig, Nov. 3rd - Karen Stangl (\$35 winners) Nov. 4th - Nicole Gillespie (\$75 Winner)

American Foundation for Suicide Prevention Survivor

Day: St. Cloud Hospital will host a viewing and discussion of the *2018 American Foundation for Suicide Prevention Survivor Day* film entitled "A Daughter's Journey." This event is for anyone who has experienced the loss of a loved one through suicide. The event is from 1-3 p.m. **Nov. 17** in the St. Cloud Hospital St. Benedict Meeting Room (located in the Lakes Lobby). For those who wish to attend, please register online at afsp.org. If you have questions, call Laura Shrode at St. Cloud Hospital, Spiritual Care Department: 320-251-2700 ext. 54621.

Hands of Hope Resource Center: 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

Worldwide Marriage Encounter: “The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone;” Listen with your spouse for God’s message of love by exploring a **Worldwide Marriage Encounter (WWME)** weekend. The next weekends are: Apr 5-7, 2019 in Baxter, MN and Sep 20-22, 2019 in Alexandria, MN. Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit our website at: northmnwwme.org or contact us at applications@northmnwwme.org or 888-455-3496

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:

December 19th: Dine & Discover 11:30 to 1- Information on Veterans Benefits Presentation given By: Kathy Marshik, Morrison County Veterans Service Officer. We will be focusing on health care, burial benefits, caregiver programs, nursing home, home care services, financial assistance, and adaptive equipment. The Veterans service office works with family members currently serving military personnel and veterans of all back-grounds, ages and era’s.

Caregiver Support Group: Join us on the 3rd Wednesday of Every Month at 2pm at First United Church in Little Falls in the Fireside Room. We will be enjoying each other’s company and supporting one another, as we face difficult tasks and decisions, while being a dedicated caregiver. For more information call Angie Athman at 468-6451

We have added a second monthly Caregiver Support

Group! Join us on the 1st Wednesday of every month at Horizon Health in Pierz! For more information call Angie Athman at 468-6451

Kristine Hoheisel Senior Resources Director Horizon Health, Inc. Pierz 56364 320-468-6451 Fax: 320-468-6463

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

PRAYER BLANKETS: Available at parish office. Giving a prayer blanket can give comfort to the sick & suffering. This

****REMINDER:** Please have bulletin announcements to the parish office by 4:00 p.m. on Wednesdays. *Thank you!*

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

The Franciscan Sisters of Little Falls invite the public to attend a Christmas Open House at their Franciscan Gift Shop from November 12-14, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. Browse through a variety of gifts handcrafted by the sisters and an array of items expressing the Franciscan values. Proceeds from this event will benefit the mission and ministries of the Franciscan Sisters. The Franciscan Gift Shop is located at St. Francis Convent (west entrance), 116 8th Avenue SE. For more information, contact (320)632-2981 or visit www.fslf.org.

The Franciscan Sisters of Little Falls invite the public to join them for Centering Prayer and Lectio Divina (Sacred Reading) on Thursday, November 15, 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; www.fslf.org.