

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 19th, 2020
“The Lord sustains my soul!”

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

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Office Hrs.: Office will be closed to the public until further notice. Messages and emails will be checked Mon, Tue, Thurs. from 9 am to 2 pm.

MASSSES FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 20th - JULY 26th, 2020

Tuesday, July 21

8:00 a.m. Pierz +Roger “Hulio” Hoheisel

Wednesday, July 22

8:00 a.m. Buckman +Carl Merchant, and +Celesta “Sally” Meyer

7:00-8:00 p.m. Buckman Eucharistic Adoration

Thursday, July 23

8:00 a.m. Buckman Reconciliation of Our Nation Back to God

Friday, July 24

8:00 a.m. Pierz +Martin, Jeanne, & Alan Stang, and +Cecilia Przybilla

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

3:00-6:00 p.m. Pierz Eucharistic Adoration

Saturday, July 25

4:30 p.m. Pierz +Catherine Meyer and Clyde Meyer

Sunday, July 26

8:00 a.m. Pierz +Mathew J. Motschke, and For the People of the Parishes

10:00 a.m. Buckman +Franny Stangl

ST. MICHAEL'S WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP:

Adult \$ 4,365.00

High School \$ 1.00

Elementary \$ 8.00

Plate \$ 136.00

\$ 4,510.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Mass attendance **July 12th** Sunday: 177

ST. JOSEPH'S WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP:

Adult \$ 6,950.00

High School \$ 2.00

Elementary \$ 20.50

Plate \$ 54.00

\$ 7,026.50

Thank you for your generosity!

Mass attendance **July 11th** Saturday: 104

Mass attendance **July 12th** Sunday: 193

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

HOLY TRINITY CALENDAR WINNERS

July 13 – Kandice Virnig, **July 14** – Lynn Smude, **July 15** – Tara Zimmerman, **July 16** – Roger Pohlkamp/Paityn Pohlkamp

July 17 – Darcie Klink, **July 18** Greg & Cheryl Gangl (\$35 Winners). **July 19** – Ron Nelson (\$75 Winner).

FROM THE PASTOR: Here is a reflection that I would like to share for the weekend:

We unite our prayers with the prayers of Mary for our needs, the needs of the Church, and the needs of the world.

1. We pray for the all men and women in ministry in the Church - that they may all call on the strength of our Blessed Mother in their leadership roles.
2. We pray that all the nations of the world and their leaders may work for true economic justice and equality.
3. For the poor, the stranger, and the oppressed - that they may be welcomed by our community.
4. That all youth, like Mary, may be open to God's call in their lives, that they may say “yes” to serving others.
5. For the sick and shut-ins, the souls of the faithful departed, and for the prayers we hold in our heart.

Gracious God, you chose Mary to bear our Savior. Hear the prayers of your children and grant them in the name of your Son Jesus Christ.

Have a blessed weekend! ~Fr. Ken Popp

FOR YOUR INFORMATION:

How to Use Blessed Salt – Blessed salt is an instrument of grace to preserve one from sickness and evil influence. Blessed salt is not a new Sacramental, but the Holy Spirit seems to be leading many to a new interest in its remarkable power as an instrument of grace and healing. As with all sacramentals, blessed salt is not to be used superstitiously as having self-contained power, but as a focus point to funnel one's faith toward Jesus. Modest amounts of blessed salt may be sprinkled on one's home or car for added safety. A few grains in drinking water or used in cooking may bring spiritual and physical benefits. As you use the blessed salt, pray for the Lord's blessing and protection for yourself and for those who will come in contact with it.

THE FIFTEEN PROMISES OF MARY GRANTED TO THOSE WHO PRAY THE ROSARY:

Number 5: The soul which recommends itself to me by the recitation of the rosary shall not parish.

ROSARY AT THE GROTTA: Please join the local KCs as we pray the Rosary at the Grotto (Corner of Hwy 25 & Hwy 27, across from Speedway) at 8 PM on Wednesdays. Please join us as we pray for our crops, families, community, and country. Everyone is welcome: families, couples, non-members, etc! We will maintain social distancing.

PRAYER BLANKETS: Looking for a great gift? Prayer blankets are available in the Parish Office-Pierz entryway. They can give comfort to the sick & suffering. Questions, call Kathy at 468-2105.

ST. MICHAEL'S NEWS & ACTIVITIES:

SUN., July 26th @ 10:00 a.m.

Lector: Jane Funk

Communion Ministers: Todd Caddy & Jill Hoheisel

August Ushers: John Grittner, Sam Seelen, Mick Gruber

II BANNES OF MARRIAGE (Wedding July 25th):

Jennifer Brill & Matthew Janson

St. Michael's Parish Bazaar – Grand Raffle Donations:

If you would like to contribute to the grand raffle and have your name or your business recognized on the raffle tickets, please send your donation to Donna & Dave Solinger, 25723 103rd St. Pierz, MN 56364. We appreciate your support.

ST. MICHAEL'S CM/W Will meet on Thursday, Aug 6th at 6:30pm in the parish hall. There will be no refreshments. We will social distance. If there is an item for the agenda call Patty at 468-2487. Because there was no bingo, we will need to discuss what we will pay for in the future. A letter was sent out to all members of St. Michael's Parish. Please be sure to read.

PRAYER LINE:

**If you are in need of prayers please call Mary Brenny 320-393-2781 or Mary Malinowski 468-6148.

**If you would like to be on the prayer line to pray for others please call Patty Commerford at 468-2487.

DROP BOX AVAILABLE: There is now a locked drop box located on the wall in the breezeway of the parish office for you to leave messages, contributions/church envelopes, or anything else that needs to be dropped off for the secretaries to take care of. This will be checked every day.

HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL: 468-6446

* Holy Trinity's Early Childhood Education Programs are open for registration for the 2020-21 school year. Children ages 42 months through age 5 are eligible for the Preschool and Kindergarten Readiness Programs. For more information, contact office@holyltrinitypierz.org or call (320) 468-6446.

*Delicious Guatemalan gourmet coffee is available at Holy Trinity Catholic School. Ground or Whole Bean bags available. \$13 a bag or \$14 for decaf. Please contact (320) 468-6446 for available office times to pick up. The purchase of the coffee supports both the farmers in Guatemala and Holy Trinity Catholic School.

* Thank you to all of our sponsors, volunteers and golfers who participated in the 7th Annual HTCS Golf Event. For a full list of sponsors, visit <http://www.holytrinitypierz.org/golf-event.html>



"If you're ever headed the wrong way in life, remember the road to Heaven allows U-turns."

ST. JOSEPH'S NEWS AND ACTIVITIES:

SAT., July 25th @ 4:30 p.m., & SUN., July 26th @ 8:00 a.m.

Weekday Lector: – Al Pekarek

LECTORS FOR AUGUST:

Sat. – Geri Kasper, & **Sun.** – Gary Poser

USHERS FOR AUGUST:

Sat.-Lee Maus, Steve Boser, Andy Kapsner, Mathew Stumpf
Sun.-Jim Gerwing, Daniel Loidolt, Bob Thielen, Steve Maus

I BANNES OF MARRIAGE (Wedding August 8th):

Katie Kimman & Ryan Schleper

II BANNES OF MARRIAGE (Wedding July 31st):

Grace Studniski & Mathew Stumpf

AT PEACE WITH GOD: *Arlyn M. Wuellner* passed away on April 1st. A Mass of Christian Burial was held on Saturday, July 11th at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, with burial in the parish cemetery. We extend our sympathy to the families and assure them of our prayerful support.

ST. JOSEPH'S QUILTING CIRCLE: The Parish Center basement is again open for quilting using safe distancing. Any groups that need to do their tying can reserve the basement by calling the Parish Office. Some of you have been working on quilts on your own during this stay at home time. If you have quilts that haven't been turned in please call Eileen at 320-360-2434 so we can get a rough count of what we will have.

PARISH FESTIVAL UPDATE: There will not be a Parish Festival or Grand Raffle this year. A formal letter will be sent out to the parishioners. If you have any questions, call Crystal at 320-630-8952.

Listening to the Word of God: - 16TH Sunday of Ordinary Time July 19th 2020 A,D.

Readings can be found on www.CatholicReadings.org
Start with a prayer asking Jesus to be present, or sincerely pray the Our Father.

First Reading Wisdom 12:13, 16-19

Who is the most virtuous or just person I know? Who is the kindest person I know? Do you I anyone who is great at both? Think about this to the nth degree. God is the definition of both.

Second Reading Romans 8:26-27

When have I asked the Holy Spirit to pray for me, because I do not know what to say to God? Lately?

Gospel Matthew 13:24-43

THE END. At some point either because of my death, or because of the end of the world, it will be the end of my time to choose to respond to God's call to be a follower of Christ and bear fruit for Him. Am I ready for my judgment day?

Foundations of Faith Community Nursing Class, Nov 12, 13, 19, 20. Grace United Methodist Church, St. Cloud, Program Fee - \$450, Scholarships available, registration Deadline: 7 days prior to class, Cancellation deadline: 7 days prior to class. To apply for a scholarship or for questions, please contact Annette Jesh: Annette.Jesh@centracare.com or (320) 249-0280.