

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

SUNDAY, JANUARY 22nd, 2023

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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 JANUARY 24th – JANUARY 29th

Tuesday, January 24

8:00 a.m. Pierz +John & Colette Braun, +Don Braun, +Howard Braun

9:30 a.m. Villa Word/Communion Service (*only for Residents*)

Wednesday, January 25

8:00 a.m. Buckman +Matt & Isabel Przybilla

7-8 p.m. Buckman Eucharistic Adoration

Thursday, January 26

8:00 a.m. Buckman +LaVerne Girtz-Jutz

9:30 a.m. Villa Word/Communion Service (*only for Residents*)

Friday, January 27 – HT School Mass: Mrs. Becker's Kindergarten Class

8:30 a.m. Pierz +Lois Beierman

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

9:30 a.m. Villa +Clarence Meyer (*Mass only for Residents*)

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

Saturday, January 28

4:30 p.m. Pierz +Janice Hoffman (*Adult Choir*)

Sunday, January 29

8:00 a.m. Pierz +Johanna Maus, & For the People of the Parishes (*Folk Group*)

10:00 a.m. Buckman +Ervin Marshik

ST. MICHAEL'S WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP

Adult \$ 2,527.00

High School \$ 5.00

Elementary \$ 17.00

Plate \$ 288.25

\$ 2,837.25

Thank you for your generosity!

Mass attendance **January 15th Sunday:** 340

ST. JOSEPH'S WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP

Adult \$ 6,165.00

High School \$ 6.25

Elementary \$ 15.30

Plate \$ 379.00

\$ 6,565.55

Thank you for your generosity!

Mass attendance **January 14th Saturday:** 199

Mass attendance **January 15th Sunday:** 224

HOLY TRINITY CALENDAR WINNERS

1/15/23 \$75.00 Ryan & Dailin Tretter

1/16/23 \$35.00 Kurt Kliber

1/17/23 \$35.00 Gregg & Kristi Marshik

1/18/23 \$35.00 Jeff Stock

1/19/23 \$35.00 Steve Gottwalt

1/20/23 \$35.00 Diane Virnig

1/21/23 \$35.00 Jeremy Gulden

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

From the Pastoral Associate: I feel that if we understood in a deep way the meaning of the truth that **God's Spirit is within us**, we would treasure the book of Wisdom and appreciate things in a different way. We would never insult or put down another person again. We would respect all races all creeds. We would marvel at our sanctification and recreation in Baptism. Our hunger for all the Sacraments with their enriching, fueling embrace would be intensified. The Pentecost of the Holy Spirit, both liturgical and fully present, would be the brightest date on calendar of life. We would also truly understand what Jesus means when He states that, "the Kingdom of God is at hand." ~*Michael Pekar*

PARISH DIRECTORY: This week each parish family will receive a letter with detailed information to schedule your family appointment for the parish church directory. Using the information provided in the letter, families will be able to schedule appointments on-line or after liturgy during designated weekends. Photography sessions will be scheduled between February 15th and March 11th at each of the parishes. Families can attend a session at their own parish or a session at another parish based on your family schedule. The Parish Church Directory committee members are Theresa Thesing, Holy Cross (320-360-9729), Louise Welle, St. John's (320-360-1345), Kathy Etzel, St. Joseph (612-203-7423), Jessica LeBlanc, St. Michael (320-630-0807). If you have questions, please contact your parish representative. Each parish will need volunteers to assist with this large project. Please contact your parish representative to volunteer a few hours of time. Thank you!

CHILDREN ENVELOPES: Grades 1-6 children contribution envelopes have been sent home with HT and FPSR students. Grades 7-11 envelopes are located in the back of the churches. If your child does not receive them and would like them, please contact the parish office at 468-6033.

FREE THROW CONTEST: Knights of Columbus local free throw contest. Sunday, January 29th 10am-1 at High School MAC gym 9-14 year-old boys and girls. Goes by your age on 1/1/23. You can show up at any time in that time frame. If you can't make it and want to shoot contact Jason 320-360-0001.

***KC RAFFLE AND APPRECIATION MEAL:** All KC members are asked to bring a pan of bars to the Pierz Ballroom on Jan. 28th. Anyone that can help in working in any way please come around 2 p.m. or any time that works for you. **We really need help cleaning up.** Also, please return all tickets (**sold or unsold**) to the person that gave them to you (before Saturday) or bring to Ballroom on Saturday. Thank you for all in making this a great fundraiser for the St. Isidore's Council.

ST. MICHAEL'S NEWS & ACTIVITIES:

SUN. JAN. 29 @ 10:00 a.m.

Lector: Holy Trinity Students

Communion Ministers: Cindy Scholl & Debbie Hall


Servers: Holy Trinity Students

Ushers for Feb.: Frank Hoheisel, Steve Kahl, Mick Gruber

CHOIR NEWS: Choir practice Thursday, January 26th at 9:00 a.m. Choir will sing on Sunday, January 29th.

NEW LIFE IN CHRIST: Breck Bradley, son of Ethan & Nicole Lochner, was baptized on Sunday, January 15th. **Kade Thomas**, son of Brian & Lisa Klein, was baptized on Sunday, January 15th. Congratulations and welcome to our community of faith!

AT PEACE WITH GOD: Celestine "Cel" Gall passed away on January 5th. A Mass of Christian Burial was held on Friday, January 13th at St. Michael's Church with burial in the Minnesota State Veterans cemetery. We extend our sympathy to the families and assure them of our prayerful support.

Catholic United Financial  **CUF MEETING:** Thurs., February 2nd, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. at Buckman Parish Center. Auditors must be present.

THANK YOU: To Group 6 and the extras who helped at the funeral for Celestine Gall. Your help is appreciated!

ATTENTION HAND STITCHERS: We will start hand stitching quilts on Monday, January 23rd at 8:30 a.m. in the parish center.

HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL: 468-6446

***CALLING ALL QUILTERS!** We have just a few class quilts left to be put together. Please contact the HTCS office if you are able to help in any way!

***CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK-** January 29 - February 4, 2023. See the attached sheet for our upcoming activities.

FPSR NEWS: 468-2640

*Sun., Jan. 22- JH/SH Ski & Snowboard Trip Powder Ridge 12:30-9:30 p.m.

*Wed., Jan. 25- JH/SH Broomball at Pierz Blue Park 5:30-7:30 p.m.

*Sat., Jan. 28- Knights of Columbus Buffalo Feed at Pierz Ballroom 4-8p.m.

*Sun., Jan. 29- MCCL ProLife Dinner 12-3p.m. LFs Ballroom.

26th ANNUAL KC BUFFALO RAFFLE: Sat. Jan. 28th. Meal 4-8p.m. Drawing at 8:15, all at Pierz Ballroom. Raffle tickets are \$10 with half the proceeds going to American Cancer Society. Meal is \$7 and you get a burger, beans, potato salad and homemade bars. Music by the Old Tyme Country Boys. Also, there will be another gun raffle at the feed. If you want to purchase a ticket you can do so at the feed or from any KC member or some of the businesses.

CENTRAL MN KOINONIA RETREAT: How does your pet greet you when you get home? Are you that excited to greet Jesus at Mass? CENTRAL MINNESOTA KOINONIA is a weekend Catholic retreat program sponsored by the St Cloud Diocese and is designed to help you on your faith journey. The next retreat is scheduled for March 3-5, 2023, at the TEC Center north of Little Falls, Minnesota. 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: January 24th: Jan Dahmen

SAT., JAN. 28 @ 4:30 p.m. & SUN., JAN. 29 @ 8:00 a.m.

Communion Ministers: Sat.- Linda Welle, Mary Schraut & Jan Dahmen. **Choir** – Grace Stumpf

Sun. – Leroy Swanson, Tarynn Dorn & Tracy Voigt

Servers: Saturday – Siri Saehr & Bella Zajac

Sunday – **Holy Trinity Students**

Lectors for Sun., Jan. 29: Holy Trinity Students

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

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

ST. JOSEPH'S BOOKLET KIOSK: There have been many new booklets added in the kiosk on the wall opposite the elevator in the south entrance to the church.

ST JOSEPH'S QUILT CIRCLE: We will be quilting on Monday, January 23rd at 1 p.m. and Thursday, January 26th at 9 a.m. Come and go as you can. **WE ARE IN DESPERATE NEED OF QUILT TOPS.** We do have some that need some finishing touches. Any help is much appreciated. Questions call Eileen 320-360-2434 or Chris 320-468-2164.

AREA NEWS:

***Breakfast, Church of St. Joseph, St. Joseph, Sunday,** February 5th 8:30 am to Noon. Breakfast includes Pep's pork sausage, St. Joseph Meat Market sausage, pancakes, hash browns, fruit, scrambled eggs, caramel rolls and cinnamon rolls, includes beverages. \$10.00 for adults and \$4.00 for ages 6-12. We are now accepting credit cards. Breakfast is prepared by KC Council #7057.

***Dinner/Auction, St. John the Baptist Catholic Church Swanville, Sobieski Community Center,** Friday, February 10th. Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Auction at 8 p.m. Tickets available by calling Val at 320-547-2920 in the morning. Early Bird tickets \$20 and you get a free beverage, chance at the \$100 and \$500 drawings. After February 5th, tickets are \$25 and no free beverage and no chance at the drawings.

***Quilt Bingo, Sobieski Community Center,** Sunday, February 12th at 1:00 p.m. \$10.00 for all the games played. Free lunch and Bake Sale. Hosted by St. Ann's Mission.

2023 Buckman Firearms Safety Class: Mondays from 6:30-8:30 p.m. March 6 - April 10, 2023, at the Buckman Parish Center. ***No need to preregister. Registration takes place on March 6 during the first night of class. *Must be 11 years of age by the first night of class to enroll. *A parent or guardian MUST be present to register their child the first night of class and pay the \$7.50 fee for the class. *Adults are welcome to take the class. *All persons born after December 31, 1979, are required to possess a firearms safety/hunter education certificate in order to purchase a hunting license to hunt in Minnesota. *Range Day is set for April 22, 2023, is only for students who completed the classes in person March 6-April 10. Students who took the online version of the training will NOT be allowed to attend this Range Day. *If class is cancelled it will be announced on the Little Falls radio stations KLTF AM960, WYRQ 92.1FM, KFML 94.1FM. Any questions, call Ron Kahl at (320)360-0986.**