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FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Aril 29, 2018

Sing a new song to the Lord!

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Secretary office hrs: **Mon,
Wed & Thurs, 8a.m.-4p.m.**

FR. KENNETH POPP - PASTOR

Fr. Popp's office hours are Wed. from 1-3 p.m.

MICHAEL PEKAR - PASTORAL ASSOCIATE

Michael's office hours are Tues, Pierz 2-4p.m. & Wed., Buckman 2-4p.m.

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MASSES FOR THE WEEK:

Monday	April 30	Villa	9:30 a.m.	Word/Communion Service
Tuesday	May 1	Pierz	8:00 a.m.	+Johanna Maus
		Villa	9:30 a.m.	Word/Communion Service
Wednesday	May 2	Buckman	8:00 a.m.	+Donald Collins
		Villa	9:30 a.m.	+Dellie Stoll
		Pierz	7:30 p.m.	Knights of Columbus Mass/All are welcome to come and attend.
Thursday	May 3	Buckman	8:00 a.m.	Word/Communion Service (No Mass)
		Villa	9:30 a.m.	Word/Communion Service
Friday	May 4	Pierz	8:30 a.m.	+Howie Brown
		Buckman	8:30 a.m.	Word/Communion Service
		Villa	9:30 a.m.	+Henry & Helen Otremba
Saturday	May 5	Pierz	1:30 p.m.	Wedding - Jenna Andres & Michael Olson
		Pierz	4:30 p.m.	+Robert W. Bayer (Adult Choir)
Sunday	May 6	Pierz	8:00 a.m.	+Delores Herold (Folk Group)
		Buckman	10:00 a.m.	+Joe Gangl
		Pierz	10:30 a.m.	Parishes (Pierz First Communion)

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: I would like to congratulate the students who are making their 1st Communion this weekend at the 10a.m. mass at St. Michael's Church in Buckman. Amber Boser, William Dehler, Ashlee Dingmann, Alexander Gruber, Quinn Gruber, Robyn Hoheisel, Westin Hoheisel, Logan Janson, Abigail Kotila, Mason Pick, Ashtin Popp, Abby Popp, John Sauer, Lucas Scott, Andrew Scheel, Jackson Seppelt, Owen Stangl, David Stuckmayer, Reed Theis, Grady Young, Grace Zajac.



HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL NEWS (Office #-468-6446)

Registration for the 2018-19 school year is open. Variable Tuition is available. Go to www.holytrinitypierz.org for more information on variable tuition.

*Prayers continue for all the second grade students receiving First Communion

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

Apr. 23-Logan Janson, Apr. 24-Linda Secord, Apr 25-Lavonne Micholski, Apr. 26-Darlene Rocheleau, Apr. 27-Bob Virnig, Apr. 28-Joelle Fuhrman, (\$35 winners) Apr. 29-Cory Andrea (\$75 Winner)

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MASS: The Knights of Columbus celebrate mass on the first Wednesday of every month at 7:30p.m. Everyone is welcome to come and celebrate mass with them.

Breakfast with the Bishop. A benefit for the Catholic Schools Student Scholarship Fund. Thurs, May 3rd, 8-9 a.m. at Gorecki Center, College of St. Benedict. Speaker, Dr. Tom Burnford, President and CEO for the National Catholic Education Association. To reserve a seat, call Alice at 320-258-7656 or email acoudron@gw.stcdio.org

AREA EVENTS:

***Boy Scout Troop 60 Pancake Breakfast/Bake Sale** - Sunday May 6th 8:30-noon at Royalton American Legion

***Rummage Sale - St. Rita's Parish, Hillman:** Thurs. May 10, Fri. May 11, & Sat. May 12 from 8a.m.-6p.m.

***Nurses Annual Workshop** presented by Central MN Faith Community Nurses: **Tuesday, June 5** at the CentraCare Plaza, Windfeldt Room 9:30 am to 4 pm. \$35

***Fly In-Drive In Breakfast - Little Falls Airport,** Habitat for Humanity of Morrison Cnty, Sat. June 16th from 7-11 a.m. Everyone Welcome!

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FIRST COMMUNION

STUDENTS: Small yellow sheets are available at the entrances with the names of the students that will be making their First Holy communion on May 6th (Pierz). Please feel free to take sheet and put it somewhere to remember to pray for these students and their families! Thank you!

RURAL LIFE CELEBRATION: We still need help and monetary contributions with the Rural Life Celebration, so if anyone would be interested, please contact the parish office at 468-6033. Thank You!

ST. MICHAEL'S WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP:

Adult	\$2891.00
High School	\$ 8.00
Elementary	\$ 6.95
Plate	<u>\$ 115.00</u>
	\$ 3020.95

Thank you for your generosity!

MASS ATTENDANCE:

<u>St. Joseph's:</u>
Sat. 4:30 p.m. - 265
Sun. 8:00 a.m. - 269
<u>St. Michael's:</u>
Sun. 10:00 a.m. - 312

ST. JOSEPH'S WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP:

Adult	\$5979.00
High School	\$ 16.00
Elementary	\$ 27.50
Plate	<u>\$ 349.51</u>
	\$ 6371.51

Thank you for your generosity!

ST. MICHAEL'S NEWS & ACTIVITIES:

SUNDAY - May 6 @ 10:00 a.m.:

Lector- Ron Kahl

Communion Ministers- Connie Kieffer & Carolyn Andres

Servers- Cole Andres & Eli Kasells

April Ushers- John Grittner, Sam Seelen, Jerry Posch

NEW LIFE IN CHRIST: Roman Mark, son of Nicholas & Dawn Henderson was baptized last weekend. Congratulations and welcome to our community of faith!

AT PEACE WITH GOD: Delphine Gall passed away on April 19th. Mass of Christian Burial was held here on April 24th with burial at parish cemetery. We extend our sympathy to the families and assure them of our prayerful support.

THANK YOU! To group 12 and all the extra help with the Delphine Gall funeral meal. *Great Job! Thank you.*

COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN OF LITTLE FALLS

DEANERY: SPRING MEETING: At Sacred Heart Church, Flensburg. Sat. May 5th registration at 8a.m., rosary at 8:30a.m., mass at 9a.m. and meeting & speaker with lunch to follow at 10a.m. Will be having a spring plant exchange. Free will offering! For more info call Cheryl Pick at 320-355-2214.

ANNUAL NOVENA OF MASSES: At *Assumption*

(Grasshopper) Chapel in Cold Spring, every Thurs evening from May 3rd - June 28th. Rosary at 7P.M. with Mass at 7:30P.M. Mass takes place outside so dress for the weather and bring a lawn chair. In case of inclement weather or severe cold, Mass will be held in Church of St. Boniface on Main Street in Cold Spring. Chapel is located on the east side of Cold Spring (turn off Hwy 23 by the traffic light onto 3rd Ave. SE- then turn left onto Chapel Rd. and immediately turn right up Pilgrimage Road to Chapel). All are welcome!

" Theology of the Body": Join us! Nic Davidson is back to lead us through a 6 week series on Theology of the Body. Weekly sessions will be held on Tues evenings, beginning May 15th - June 19th, at 6:30pm-8pm at the St. Michaels Parish Center in Buckman. Contact Sara Stumpf with any questions 320-493-7062"

"Love one another as I have loved you." *John 13:34* - Attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend and experience the love of your spouse like you never have before. The next available **Weekends** are Sep 14-16, 2018 in Alexandria, MN and May 4-6, 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:

May - Sat. 5 @ 4:30p.m. & Sun. 6 @ 8:00a.m.:

Servers: Sat.-Michael & Sophie Leidenfrost

Sun.-Joelle Young & Kahlee Kasper

Weekday Lector: Al Pekarek

COMMUNION MINISTERS FOR MAY: Sat-Choir-Barb Zajac, Marvin Kimman, Loretta Przybilla, Marilyn Dorn. Sun-Jo Loidolt, Lois Waytashek, Dan Waytashek.

LECTORS FOR MAY: Sat.-Colleen Lucking, and Sun.-Karen Gross.

USHERS FOR MAY: Sat.-Dale Przybilla, Lee Maus, Steve Boser, Andy Kapsner. Sun.-Jim Gerwing, Daniel Loidolt, Tom Albrecht, Bob Thielen.

PLANNING BACCALAUREATE MASS: There will be a meeting for this year's graduating seniors and their parent/s on Sunday May 6th at 7pm in the church basement to plan the baccalaureate mass. Mass will take place on Sunday, May 20th at 8 am, and there will be a breakfast afterward in the church basement provided by the Pierz Christian Women. Please RSVP to Michelle Litke via text or phone call at 218-780-8560 so that we know how many to prepare for.

MAY CROWNING: The Annual Christian Mothers/Women May crowning will be at the 4:30p.m. mass on May 13th. Please join us as we honor Mary as our Mother and as Queen of Heaven and Earth.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE: Michael Olson & Jenna Andres

NEW LIFE IN CHRIST: Nolan Joseph, son of Mark & Heather Kimman. Nora Maxine, daughter of Kyle & Samantha Bednar. Emma Ann, daughter of Mark & Janaye Eno where baptized last weekend. Congratulations and welcome to our community of faith!

CEMETERY CLEANING: With warmer weather, the cemetery will be cleaned in the near future. Please remove any decorations/flowers you wish to keep. Thank you.

Franciscan Sisters of Little Falls-11th annual Franciscan Girl Camp entitled, "Faith and Fun with Franciscans," on Tues. June 5 (10am) Thurs. June 7 (6pm) in Assisi Park, located on the grounds at St. Francis Convent, Little Falls. Girls who have completed grades 6-8 are invited to enjoy a variety of nature and fun activities. Participants will have an opportunity to visit with and learn about the Franciscan Sisters. For more information or to register by May 1, contact Sister Ange Mayers at 320-632-0680.

Upcoming Faith in Action & Horizon Health Events:

Tues. June 12th: Dementia Bootcamp at the Little Falls Senior

Center from 1 to 3pm. Please call 800-224-6451 or email Melissa at outreach@horizonhealthservices.com to reserve your seat today!

Upcoming Faith in Action & Horizon Health Events

SAVE THE DATE for upcoming events:

37th Annual Conference on Aging at Central Lakes College Staples campus, Thurs., May 24, from 8:30am-1:15pm. For more info. Call Horizon Health at 1-800-224-6451 (Horizon Health does not have a bus going this year.)

August 24th: Whacky Hacker golf tournament with proceeds going to Faith in Action

August 25th: Hospice Run with proceeds going to Horizon Health's Hospice patients

Exciting News: Horizon Health has received a grant to provide classes on Dementia to caregivers to enable them to better take care of their loved one. If you have a group at church or socially that you belong to that would like a presentation at your location call Melissa Prozinski at 320-468-6451. These classes are free of charge, but we do set out a free will donation basket. Minimum requirement of 10 caregivers in attendance.

We are now on TV and the web! The Dine & Discover's are scheduled for broadcast every Tuesday at noon and Friday night at 8pm on local cable channel 180. They will also be posted out the GRA/GRTV Youtube channel.

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC9fW_lp870KMRE56tp0-MHA/featured

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. When one receives a blanket, they know they aren't alone but are covered in prayers. 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.

RURAL LIFE CELEBRATION: *We still need lots of help with the Rural Life Celebration, so if anyone would be interested, please contact the parish office at 468-6033.* We are also looking for monetary contributions, you can either drop it off at the parish office or put in the collection basket marked Rural Life Celebration. God Bless you for your support.

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, just ask. Hear what you've been missing!

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

Come & See: Discernment Retreat Weekends for single Catholic women between the ages of 22-45 are scheduled at Saint Benedict's Monastery this summer. The dates are June 15-17, July 20-22, and August 10-12, 2018. The retreats begin on Friday at 4:30 pm and end on Sunday at 1:30 pm. This is a time to meet members of our monastic community and discern with other women who are considering religious life. A variety of opportunities for prayer and activities are planned for the weekend. There is no cost. If you are interested and want to register please contact Sister Lisa Rose at 320-363-7180 or at lrise@csbsju.edu.

HEARING ASSISTANCE: If you are having difficulty hearing and understanding the spoken word during Mass ask an usher