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Office Hours: Mon, Tue, & Thurs from 8 am to 3 pm and Fri 10 am – 3 pm If you need assistance please call the parish office at 468-6033.

Regular Mass Times for Area Community Parishes:

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.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 5th – OCTOBER 11th, 2020

Tuesday, October 6

8:00 a.m. Pierz +Dorothy Schraut

Wednesday, October 7

8:00 a.m. Buckman +Maureen Watercott
7:00 p.m. Pierz Knights of Columbus Mass (Meeting following)
7-8:00 p.m. Buckman Eucharistic Adoration

Thursday, October 8

8:00 a.m. Buckman +Ervin M. Girtz

Friday, October 9

8:30 a.m. Pierz +Charles “Carly” Lochner, and +Albert Servaty
8:30 a.m. Buckman Word/Communion Service
3-6:00 p.m. Pierz Eucharistic Adoration

Saturday, October 10

4:30 p.m. Pierz +Richard Virnig

Sunday, October 11

8:00 a.m. Pierz St. Joseph’s Christian Mothers and Women, and
For the People of the Parishes
10:00 a.m. Buckman +Cecilia Przybilla

ST. MICHAEL’S WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP:

Adult	\$.00
High School	\$.00
Elementary	\$.00
Plate	\$.00
	\$.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Mass attendance **September 27th** Sunday: 177

ST. JOSEPH’S WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP:

Adult	\$ 3314.00
High School	\$ 16.00
Elementary	\$ 20.91
Plate	\$ 96.50
	\$ 3447.41

Thank you for your generosity!

Mass attendance **September 26th** Saturday: 136

Mass attendance **September 27th** Sunday: 146

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

HOLY TRINITY CALENDAR WINNERS

September 28 – Gordon & Sandy Brixius, **September 29** – Becki Rentz, **September 30** – Marajan Osvold, **October 1** – Kurt Kliber, **October 2** – Chuck Gruber, **October 3** – Kathy Brown (\$35 Winners). **October 4** – John Paul Nelson (\$75 Winner).

FROM OUR PASTOR: This weekend we are celebrating a Mass with our Firemen and women. I want to thank them and our Police department for all they do for our community. We know these are challenging times, not only for them, but for all of us. We, as a church and society, will continue to pray for all these men and women who serve in the above capacities mentioned. We thank them for all that they do and may God Bless them in the important work that they do. ~ Fr. Ken Popp

LAST TWO PATRIOTIC ROSARIES: The next patriotic rosary will be on Thursday, Oct. 15th at 9:00 a.m. at St. Joseph’s Church. The last month of the 9 months novena rosary will be held on election day, Nov. 3rd, after the 8:00 a.m. mass. Bring your own booklets, take them home with you to pray the Patriotic Rosary at home-it’s a beautiful and powerful rosary. We had an awesome group of people in Sept. and we thank the Hearts of Faith members for joining us.

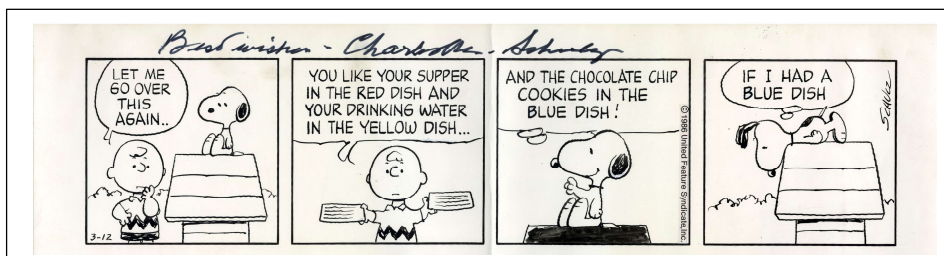
Bishop’s Annual Appeal: Thank you to everyone who is supporting diocesan ministries through the Appeal. Our prayers are with you as we navigate these challenging times together. As of September 21, the Appeal raised \$1,161,867 in gifts and pledges toward the goal of \$1,300,000. Every dollar raised goes directly to ministries that support our Catholic faith and is not used for any other purpose. Stewardship as a Way of Life: “The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone...” — MATTHEW 21:42

WEEKLY DISCUSSION QUESTIONS: Michael Pekar’s weekly discussion questions are posted on our parish website.

Marriage Encounter Weekend: *Make plans for a fall getaway with the one you love before your calendar fills up!*
A Marriage Encounter Weekend is a private weekend away from life's distractions that allows a husband and wife to focus on each other. The next available weekend is Oct 9-11 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.

PILLOW CLEANING: The Pierz American Legion Auxillary is sponsoring a pillow cleaning (any types) at Red Rooster Bar in Genola on Monday, October 5th from 7 a.m. until 3 p.m. and will also have pillows of all types for sale if anyone wants one. Any questions, call 320-420-8323

REMINDER TO USE MASKS: Please use mask at Mass for your safety and the safety of others! Thank you for your understanding during these trying times.



ST. MICHAEL'S NEWS & ACTIVITIES:

SUN., Oct. 11th @ 10:00 a.m.

Lector: Karen Stangl

Communion Ministers: Deb Hall & Alice Nordmann

October Ushers: Brian Stangl, Gregg Stangl, & Todd Caddy

CHRISTIAN MOTHERS/WOMEN'S MEETING: Thursday, October 8th at 6:30pm in the Parish Community Center. No food or refreshments will be served.

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

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

HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL: 468-6446

* The 2020 Steak & Wine Fundraiser 2020 VIRTUAL this year! Visit givergy.us/holytrinitysw to begin bidding on items on OCTOBER 1. On OCTOBER 10 at 8pm, there will be a LIVE online auction. All bidding will close October 10 at 9pm. We encourage you to get involved by hosting a viewing party for you and your closest friends on October 10. Thank you for your support!

*Fire Safety Week October 5-9. The students will be visiting the Pierz Fire Department to learn about fire safety. THANK YOU fire men and women!

*Delicious Guatemalan gourmet coffee is for sale at the school office year-round. The purchase of the coffee supports farmers in Guatemala and Holy Trinity School.

FPSR NEWS: 468-2640

*October 7th JH/SH Youth Group will be raking leaves in the Pierz community from 5:30pm-7:30pm.

*October 14th JH/SH Youth Group Mass with vocations director Fr. Doug Liebsch, Adoration, Confession, & Outdoor Movie Night 6:00pm-10:00pm. Families are welcome & encouraged to attend for all!! Mass will start at 6:15pm followed by adoration & confession.

CREMATED REMAINS COLLECTION & BURIAL:

Do you have cremated remains of a family member in your possession that you would like to have laid to rest in a sacred place? As a free service to our community and those who have died, the Church of St. Ann in Wadena, MN is collecting cremated remains of deceased members who have not yet been buried. On Nov. 2nd at 9:00 a.m. we will have a Memorial Mass for all the dead, with special prayers for the collected remains. A private burial of the collected remains will follow at Calvary Cemetery. Our church will absorb the cost of the burial, so this is free to you. Cremated remains must be more than 18 months past date of death, need not be Catholic or from the area, and must be accompanied with paperwork. For more information contact Barb at our church office 218-632-7309 or bpiecek@saintanns.net.

NFP - Little Falls on Tuesday, October 6 at 7:30 p.m. at the NFP Office in the Unity Specialty Center of St. Gabriel's Hospital. For more information, or to register, contact Mary Bontjes at bontjesmary@yahoo.com or call the Little Falls NFP Office at 320-631-5660. The class is approximately 1½ to 2 hours long. *Note: Most insurance plans cover the cost of NFP Instruction and follow-up!

ST. JOSEPH'S NEWS AND ACTIVITIES:

SAT., Oct. 10th @ 4:30 p.m., & SUN., Oct. 11th @ 8:00 a.m.

Weekday Lector: Jan Dahmen

Communion Ministers: Sat. Oct. 10- Michelle Litke & Tracy Voigt, Sun. Oct. 11- Rachel & Chris Young

LECTORS FOR OCTOBER:

Sat. – Colleen Lucking, & **Sun.** – Mark Fyten

USHERS FOR OCTOBER:

Sat.- Dennis Zajac, Robbie Becker, JD Folger, & Jon Stumpf

Sun.- Clint Kimman, James Gruber, Dan Loscheider, & Jeff Virnig

AT PEACE WITH GOD: *Marie Ellen Stangl* passed away on September 23rd. A Mass of Christian Burial was held on Saturday, September 26th at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, with burial in the parish cemetery.

CONGRATULATIONS TO, Bo and Rebecca (Rettkowski) Butler who were married this weekend!

SOUND SYSTEM, is being worked on at the present. The center and rear speakers will not be working. We are sorry for the inconvenience but, thank you for understanding!

FALL COLLECTION (Sunday Oct. 11th): At a recent meeting of the St. Joseph's Financial committee while comparing the income and expenditures of St. Joseph's Church, it was noted that while our regular donations were relatively close to last years donations, there was about forty thousand dollars less than last year in our total donations. This was mainly due to the fact that there was no Parish Summer Festival. Even though the parish did collect around fifteen thousand dollars from the festival collection. In an effort to help recover some of this lost income, the Parish Financial Committee would like to ask that every parishioner consider possibly increasing the amount of their contribution to the Annual Fall Collection to help St. Joseph's Church meet all of our financial obligations. In these troubling times of pandemic and civil unrest, we must to remember always to place our trust in God's hands to guide us through life's trials. God Bless you and thank you for your continued support. St. Joseph's Finance Committee.

CHRISTIAN MOTHERS/WOMEN'S MEETING & NEWS:

***Wed, Oct 7th** at 6:30 pm in the church basement.

We are in need of a new vice president to serve a one-year term, followed by a one-year term as president. Please prayerfully consider stepping up for this position. Contact Barb Zajac @320-310-3267 with any questions and agenda items you may have prior to the meeting.

***C M/W BAKE-LESS BAKE SALE FUNDRAISER:** We are having a fall bake-less bake sale and are asking our parishioners to help us out by donating the cost of ingredients that you would normally spend on the item you would bake/purchase. Please see flyer in bulletin. Donations can either be put in the collection basket in the envelope attached to the flyer, or mailed in to the parish office. We greatly appreciate any donation that you can give! God bless you for your generosity.

PRAYER LINE: If you are in need of prayers please call Karen Gross at 468-6818.
