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Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 27th, 2019

Look toward the Lord and be radiant!

FR. KENNETH POPP – PASTOR

Fr. Popp's office hours are Wed. from 1-3 p.m <u>MICHAEL PEKAR – PASTORAL ASSOCIATE</u> Michael's office hours are Thurs. Buckman 2-4p.m.

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MASSES FO	R THE WEEK OF JAN. 28 – FEB. 3	ST. MICHAEL'S WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP:		
Monday	Jan. 28		Adult	\$2416.00
Villa	9:30 a.m. Word/Communion Service		High School	\$ 3.00
Tuesday	Jan. 29		Elementary	\$ 15.00
Pierz	8:00 a.m. +Ray & Mary Bayer		Plate	\$ 109.00
Villa	9:30 a.m. Word/Communion Service			\$2543.00
Wednesday	Jan. 30	Thank you for your generosity!		
Buckman	8:00 a.m. St. Michael's Catholic United Financial Members		Jan. 20 th Mass attendance – Sunday 10a.m - 264	
Villa	9:30 a.m. +Harvey Otremba	-		
Thursday	Jan. 31			EEKLY STEWARDSHIP:
Buckman	8:00 a.m. +Jeanne Thommes		Adult	\$6165.00
Villa	9:30 a.m. +Jerome Sczublewski		High School	\$ 28.00
Friday	Feb.1		Elementary	\$ 26.00
Pierz	8:30 a.m. +Karla Scheel (Holy Trinity School Mass)		Plate	\$ 275.25
Buckman	8:30 a.m. Word/Communion Service			\$6494.25
Villa	8:30 a.m. +Maureen Watercott & Pam Woitala		Thank you for your generosity!	
Saturday	Feb. 2		Jan. 20 th Mass atte	endance – Sat. 4:30p.m 319
Pierz	4:30 p.m. +Norman Faust, Raymond Bloniger			Sun. 8:00a.m 217
	& Shirley Solsrud (Adult Choir)			
Sunday	Feb. 3	<i>Confessions:</i> Buckman – Thursday – 7:30 a.m., Pierz – Saturday – 3:30 p.m. or by appt.		
Pierz	8:00 a.m. For the People of the Parishes (Youth Choir)			
Buckman	10:00 a.m. +Joe Cielinski	Adoration at the Pierz Villa on Thursdays from 5 a.m. to 11 p.m.		

FROM THE PASTORAL ASSOCIATE: First let us have a great Catholic School's Week and celebrate the gem we have here in Holv Trinity School. From today's Gospel of Luke 1:1-4 (my notes it italics), "Since many have undertaken to compile a narrative of the events that have been fulfilled among us, just as those who were eyewitnesses from the beginning (generation # 1) and ministers of the word (maybe generation # 2 passing down things probably by word of mouth and some in written form) have handed them down to us, (generation # 2 or # 3) I too have decided, after investigating everything accurately anew, to write it down in an orderly sequence for you, most excellent Theophilus, so that you may realize the certainty of the teachings you have received." Now you may be thinking, wait a minute. I thought Luke was one of the 12? Well first, none of the lists in the Bible: Matthew 10:2-4, Mark 3:16-19; and even Luke 6:12-19 and Acts 1:13 contain the name "Luke". Second by this passage and his own admission he is not an eyewitness. How do you feel about that? A. I knew that before. It does not bother me. B. I always thought he was an Apostle. I am a little bummed. C. I always thought he was one of the original followers, how do we know he got it right? D. other. If you are anything but A. consider coming to the six sessions on "Intro to the Bible the Catholic Approach" (used for almost 100 years) SEE INSERT. High Schoolers who are interested in the Bible can also come to this Bible intro group/s. We are starting at ground 0 so it will not be over your head. If you are feeling a little "shaken up" by the above statements, keep reading. If you believe that the Holy Spirit inspired only the 11 to go out and preach, the above is a problem. If you believe that the Holy Spirit and the Risen Christ continue to inspire and act in our lives up to today and beyond, then it is not so bad that a second or third generation evangelist wrote this Gospel. Without the Gospel of Luke, we would not have the passage of the Angel coming to Mary, stories of Prodigal Son and the Good Samaritan and many other precious parts of the Gospel. ~~~ Michael Pekar

LOOKING AHEAD:

Fr. Ken Popp and Fr. Alan Wielinski are switching parishes the weekend of February $2^{nd} \& 3^{rd}$. We will have Fr. Alan Wielinski here with us at St. Joseph's & St. Michael's for all the weekend masses.

<u>MCCL</u> is helping to sponsor the movie "Gosnell" at the Falls Cinema on January 25-31st. Based on the true story of the investigation and trial of Dr. Kermit Gosnell; convicted of first-degree murder and other crimes related to his abortion clinic in Philadelphia. Call the theatre for show times 632-5646.

*HOLY TRINITY CALENDAR WINNERS**

Dec. 14th -Donna Fashant, Jan. 15th -Shari Welch, Jan. 16th – Alan Litke, Jan. 17th -Adam & Kelsey Poster, Jan. 18th -Jojo Wagner, Jan. 19th -Dan & Katherine Bennett (\$35 winners) Jan. 20th -Brenda Harper (\$75 Winner).

Representatives from Catholic Bethlehem Christian

Families, will be here the weekend of Feb. 9 & 10, to sell religious artifacts that are hand crafted from the native families of the Holy Land in Bethlehem. All the proceed from the sales will be send back to the families in the Holy Land.

ST. MICHAEL'S NEWS & ACTIVITIES

*SUNDAY – Feb. 3rd @ 10:00 a.m.: <u>Lector</u>: Todd Caddy <u>Communion Minister</u>: Alice Nordmann & Cindy Scholl <u>Servers</u>: Jake & Cole Andres <u>February Ushers</u>: John Grittner, Sam Seelen, & Jerry Posch

<u>CATHOLIC UNITED FINANCIL</u> meeting on January 31st @ 7 p.m. in the St. Michael's Parish Center. Auditors welcome!

<u>SM'S PRAYER LINE:</u> Those needing prayers can call Mary Malinowski at 468-6148 or Mary Brenny at 320-393-2781. Those willing to pray for people can call Mary Brenny.

<u>OUILTING</u>: If anyone is interested, there will be a group of people tying quilts on Thurs., Jan. 31^{st} , Fri., Feb. 1^{st} and Sat., Feb. 2^{nd} . We will start at 9 a.m. at the Parish Center. If you are interested in learning how to quilt or tie, there will be a woman there to help you. For more info, call Karen Gruber @ 468-6711. We also need women who are willing to stitch quilts.

<u>CM/W</u>: The next meeting for the Christian M/W will be April 25^{th} @ 6:30 p.m. because of Holy Week.

DIOCESAN REGIONAL MINISTRY GATHERING:

Gather with Catholics from your area of the Diocese! All are invited for an evening of learning, faith sharing and fellowship. Thurs, Feb 7th from 6p.m.-8:30p.m. at St. Michael's in Buckman, MN. Based on the feedback received from parishes in your region, Diocese of St. Cloud offices have collaborated to bring you an evening of praying together, networking and learning from one of 3 breakout sessions: 1. Catholic Education: *From Catholic Schools to Faith Formation Programs, 2.* Developing a Culture of Stewardship in Your Parish 3. The Diaconate: *Serving God and Serving People.* This event is funded by the Bishop's Annual Appeal. For more information and to register, please visit: www.stcdio.org/regional-gatherings

LITURGICAL MINISTRY For parishioners who are Confirmed and would like to be a Eucharistic Minister and/or Lector, and for youths who have received First Communion and would like to serve at mass. We will have one session for training, on Jan. 27st and Feb. 2nd in Pierz and Feb 3rd in Buckman. Starting times for all dates are: Lectors 12:30 p.m., Eucharistic Ministers 1 p.m., Altar Servers 2 p.m. Those training for Buckman can go to the Pierz training and vice versa.

FPSR:

*9th-12th grade Girls Night/Guys Night for Youth Group on Wednesday, January 30th from 6pm-8pm! Guys meet upstairs & Girls meet downstairs in the Youth Group room! *Pizza Ranch Fundraiser on Wednesday, February 6th from 4:30pm-7:30pm. Come eat and support the students going to Steubenville!

*1st Communion Parents: There is a mandatory meeting for all parents (Pierz, Buckman, Harding, & Lastrup) in the Church basement on Wednesday, February 6th in the St. Joseph's Church basement. Children need not attend.

ST. JOSEPH'S NEWS AND ACTIVITIES:

*SAT. Feb. 2nd @ 4:30 p.m. & SUN. 3rd @ 8:00 a.m.:

<u>Servers</u>: Sat.- Adam & Sara Hoheisel Sun.- Jack Prokott & Mason Hoheisel <u>Weekday Lector:</u> – Jan Dahmen

COMMUNION MINISTERS FOR FEBRUARY:

Sat. – Sara Stumpf, Kristie Kroll, Barb Zajac Choir – Kerri Kasper Sun – Beth Fischer, Leroy Swanson, Jan Kimman

LECTORS FOR FEBRUARY: Sat.- Geri Kasper Sun.- Gary Poser

USHERS FOR FEBRUARY: Sat.-Dale Przybilla, Lee Maus, Steve Boser, Andy Kapsner

Sun.-Jim Gerwing, Daniel Loidolt, Tom Albrecht, Bob Thielen

YOUTH CHOIR: will sing on Sun., Feb. 3rd at 8am. We will practice on Mon., Jan. 28th from 6-7. All ages 4 and up are welcome to join us!

AT PEACE WITH GOD: Dorothy Thielen passed away on January, 17th, 2019. Mass of Christian Burial was held Monday, January, 21st with burial in the parish cemetery. We extend our sympathy to the families and assure them of our prayerful support.

SJ'S QUILTING CIRCLE will be quilting Tues., Jan. 29th starting at 9a.m. Anyone interested in learning is welcome to join us. Like last year it will be come when you can, stay as long as you wish. Bring your own lunch.

<u>CM/W</u>: If more than the \$5 dues is put in the pink CM/W offertory envelope, the rest will go as a donation to the CM/W unless otherwise noted in the envelope. Contact Rachel Young 320 630-3630 or Becky Przybilla at 612-327-8183 if questions

<u>COFFEE & DONUTS</u>, will be serverd after the 8a.m. mass on Sun., Feb. 10th

HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL: 468-6446

*At HTCS, children are lucky to learn, pray and grow in a special environment. This would not be possible without the generous support of people like you. When you support our school, you will invest in the future of all of our students and the Catholic Church. Please stop to visit the school for our annual celebration of National Catholic Schools Week January 27-Feb 1. Pictures will be posted on website and Facebook. *Many Gifts-One Nation, A Day of Giving to Catholic Schools WHEN: Scheduled for 24 hours January 29 & 30 at 11pm. WHERE: Donation Online!

https://holytrinitypierz.giving.factsmgt.com

WHY: Because Catholic schools change lives and now is the time to give back! Thank you for your donation. *Toddler class will be Wed, January 30th @ 6pm. Ages 3-4. *Holy Trinity will continue to sell gourmet coffee grown in Guatemala. Available at school.

*Holy Trinity will benefit from the meat raffle at Patrick's on Friday, February 1st.

<u>SJ'S PRAYER LINE:</u> If you are in need of prayers, please call Karen 468-6818. Thank you!

Upcoming Faith in Action Events:

Caregiver Support Group: Join us on the 3rd Wed. of Every Month at 2pm, First United Church in Little Falls, Fireside Room. For more info., call Angie Athman at 468-6451.

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!

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!

SEVEN SISTERS APOSTOLATE: Do you have 1hr a week to spend in prayer? Please consider joining the Seven Sisters Apostolate. We have an active group at St. Josephs/St Michaels praying for Fr. Popp and the diocese is starting a group of 21 women to pray specifically for Bishop Kettler. You would commit for a 1yr term, praying for 1hr any day of the week you choose. Call Pam Evans @ 320-492-0289.

Dine & Discover: 11:30 to 1p.m., at Falls & Osteoporosis: Wed. Feb., 27th – Presentation given by: Kelsey Meyer, PT, DPT. We've all been warned of falls & how they can lead to bodily harm, such as fractures. Join Kelsey on an in depth look of how falls and osteoporosis are directly linked, prevention mechanisms, and steps we can take to break the vicious cycle. This presentation is practical for all ages and will send you home wondering why you weren't informed sooner?

***MCCL 46th Annual Pro-Life Dinner** to be held at the Falls Ballroom on Sunday, January 27th. Chicken/Ham Dinner and all the trimmings followed by a short program, guest speakers, silent auction and drawings. Call Sue for more info or tickets at 320-630-7045.