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ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

June 17, 2018

God gives power and strength to His people.

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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 Thurs, Pierz 11a.m.-12p.m. & Thurs, Buckman 2-4p.m.

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MASSES FOR THE WEEK:

Monday	June 18	Villa	9:30 a.m.	Word/Communion Service
Tuesday	June 19	Pierz	8:00 a.m.	+Ceil Millner
		Villa	9:30 a.m.	Word/Communion Service
Wednesday	June 20	Buckman	8:00 a.m.	+Steven Gangl
		Villa	9:30 a.m.	+Ed Stangl
Thursday	June 21	Buckman	8:00 a.m.	+Ashley Schraut
		Villa	9:30 a.m.	Word/Communion Service
Friday	June 22	Pierz	8:00 a.m.	+Phil & Cora Thielen
		Buckman	8:30 a.m.	Word/Communion Service
		Villa	9:30 a.m.	+Leander Hartmann
Saturday	June 23	Pierz	4:30 p.m.	+Marvin & Lydia Hoheisel (Adult Choir)
Sunday	June 24	Pierz	8:00 a.m.	For the People of the Parishes (Folk Group)
		Buckman	10:00 a.m.	+Jeff Skroch

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 am going to ask that you keep all priests that are in a time of transition in your prayers. You just read in the visitor those who will be moving to different parishes and some of those will become pastors for the first time. The priests will be meeting all new parishioners while still having to let go of former ones in their previous parishes. Adjusting to different schedules and different ways of doing things in each new parish can be challenging, but also exciting. So please keep my broth priest who will be making a change of assignment in July in your prayers. ~Fr. Ken Popp

AREA EVENTS:

***The Franciscan Sisters of Little Falls** invite the public to join them for Centering Prayer and Lectio Divina on Thursday, June 21, 6-7 p.m., in the Gathering Space at St. Francis Convent, Little Falls. More info call 632-0668

***St. Mathias Church Bazaar, Fort Ripley:** Sun. June 24 with Mass at 10:30a.m., chicken & ham dinner served from 11a.m.-1:30p.m. cash bingo and much more. All are welcome!

***St. Elizabeth Parish Festival, Brennyville:** Sun. June 24 with Mass at 10a.m. Prize bingo, kids games, food stands and much more.

RURAL LIFE CELEBRATION ON AUG. 12TH: We are still looking for help with the Rural Life Celebration, if anyone interested, please contact the parish office at 468-6033. We are also looking for monetary contributions. God Bless you for your support.

PRAYER BLANKETS: Available at parish office. Giving a prayer blanket can give comfort to the sick & suffering. 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

ROSARY AT THE GROTTTO: Wed. June 20th at 8p.m. In case of inclement weather, we will move to the church.

REUNION REMINDER: For Former St. Mary Villa and Pierz Villa Staff, there is a reunion planned for on July 19th at the Red Rooster in Pierz starting at 10:30 a.m. Hope to see you there!

SUMMERFEST

Immaculate Conception Church in Rice invites you to Summerfest July 15th. Events kick off Sunday with Mass under the pine trees at 10a.m. with music by Slew Foot Band. Plan on staying the rest of the day for great food and fun for everyone! Live music from 11:30am-1:00pm. by Slew Foot Band and the Wild Band from 1:30pm-4:30pm. See www.icrice.org for further details.

HEALING MASS: You are invited to join the Crosier Fathers and Brothers at the National Shrine of St. Odilia in Onamia on Sunday, July 15, at 10:30 a.m., for a Healing Mass in Honor of St. Odilia. The Mass will include the Anointing of the Sick and a Ritual Blessing with a Relic of St. Odilia. A brunch, which requires reservations, will follow in Holy Cross Center. All are welcome! For further information or to make reservations for the brunch, contact the Crosiers at 320.532.3103 or email onamia@crosier.org

ST. MICHAEL'S WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP:

Adult	\$3093.38
High School	\$ 15.00
Elementary	\$ 11.45
Plate	\$ 129.00
	\$

Thank you for your generosity!

MASS ATTENDANCE:

<u>St. Joseph's:</u>
Sat. 4:30 p.m. - 182
Sun. 8:00 a.m. - 302
<u>St. Michael's:</u>
Sun. 10:00 a.m. - 269

ST. JOSEPH'S WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP:

Adult	\$8022.00
High School	\$ 17.90
Elementary	\$ 48.75
Plate	\$ 628.25
	\$

Thank you for your generosity!

ST. MICHAEL'S NEWS & ACTIVITIES:

SUNDAY - June 24 @ 10:00 a.m.:

Lector- Jane Funk
Communion Ministers- Janice Janson & Carolyn Andres
Servers- Brenna Andres & Emily Leidenfrost
June Ushers- Grant Stangl, Nathan Gruber, & Shane Zilka

ANNUAL NOVENA OF MASSES: At *Assumption (Grasshopper) Chapel* in Cold Spring, every Thurs evening in June ending the 28th. Rosary at 7P.M. with Mass at 7:30P.M. Mass takes place outside (bring a lawn chair). In case of inclement weather or severe cold, Mass will be held in the Church of St. Boniface on Main Street in Cold Spring. Chapel is located on the east side of Cold Spring. All are welcome!

ARE YOU INTERESTED? The Mission Office is in the process of planning our next delegation trip to visit our Partners in Homa Bay, Kenya. If you have questions, please call Katy at (320) 251-1100. More information can also be found by visiting our website: <http://mission.stcdio.org>.

CATHOLIC FOUNDATION IRELAND PRILGRIMAGE:

Explore the most treasured shrines of Ireland as you visit the "Emerald Isle's" scenic lands and cultures of the Catholic faith. Follow in the footsteps of St. Patrick, the patron saint of Ireland. This customized tour is being offered by the Catholic Foundation St. Cloud Diocese and departs Oct. 17, 2018 with return Oct. 29, 2018. Fr. Jeremy Ploof is the spiritual leader accompanying the group. For a brochure with complete details and itinerary contact: Alice Coudron 320-258-7656 or email acoudron@gw.stcdio.org.

DISCERNMENT RETREAT: The Crosier Fathers and Brothers invite single men (21-40) to a retreat at their priory in Onamia the weekend of July 13-15. The retreat, Habits of Crosier Spiritual Architecture, will provide an opportunity for young men to experience Crosier Religious Life by: living and praying with the Crosiers, learning about their religious life and outreach ministries, meeting their students in formation, interacting with the community and spending time in personal prayer and reflection. There is no cost for the retreat, but space is limited. Do you feel God may be leading you to leave your ordinary life and enter into a closer relationship with Christ? Are you joyful, generous with your talents and have a desire to live in community? If so, please contact Br. Timothy to register for this retreat: 602.881.1346 or by email at: vocations@crosier.org.

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

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June - Sat. 23 @ 4:30p.m. & Sun. 24 @ 8:00a.m.:

Servers: Sat.- Courtney Kroll & Morgan Litke
Sun.- Rachel & Colton Kasper
Weekday Lector: Al Pekarek

BANNS OF MARRIAGE: Charles Boser & Kayla Niehaus

St Joseph's Quilt Circle: would like to finish up stitching on their last quilt for this spring. We have about 20-25 hours of stitching left so if we could get 5 or 6 ladies to help would be nice. I am setting aside Saturday Morning June 23 from 8 to noon or whenever finished. Any questions call Eileen at 320-360-2434. Thanks for all the stichers thus far!

LOOKING FOR FESTIVAL DONATIONS: Grand Raffle Committee is looking for cash donations. If anyone is interested in donating please contact the parish office at 468-6033. *Thank you!*

NFP Class / Little Falls on Tues, July 3 at 7:30 p.m. at the NFP Office in the Unity Specialty Center of St. Gabriel's Hospital. For more info, or to register, contact Marge Benusa at pmbenusa@yahoo.com or call the Little Falls NFP Office at 320-631-5660.

NFP Classes / Long Prairie : Monday, June 25 and July 23 at 7p.m. at St. Mary of Mt. Carmel Church. For more information, or to register, contact Victoria Bulcher at vbulcher@stmaryslp.org or 320-360-5193. The class is approximately 1½ to 2 hours long. *Note: Most insurance plans cover the cost of NFP Instruction and follow-up!

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

June 11-JR Pohlkamp, June 12-Jason Gruber, June 13-Jan Kimman, June 14-Luke & Shelley Solinger, June 15-Nick & Crystal Ratke, June 16-Stacy & Josh Halvorson (\$35 winners) June 17-Jessica Leeb (\$75 Winner)

The Franciscan Sisters of Little Falls invite the public to join them for Centering Prayer and Lectio Divina (Sacred Reading) on Thurs, June 21, 6-7 p.m., in the Gathering Space at St. Francis Convent, Little Falls. Centering Prayer is an ancient and contemporary way of prayer. Come, the third Thursday of the month, gather with sisters and members of all faiths to ponder God's presence in your life, and open yourself to receive the gift of a closer union with God. No need to pre-register. For more information, please call (320)632-0668 or email: franciscanlife@fslf.org; www.fslf.org.

Upcoming Faith in Action & Horizon Health Events

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!

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!

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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 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 lrose@csbsju.edu.

St. Joseph's Church STEEPLE REPAIR UPDATE: The emergency repairs to the brick tuck pointing has been completed at a cost of approximately \$42,000. In the process of the emergency repairs, the contractor discovered that the entire steeple is in need of repair. They are scheduled to begin repairs in June at an estimated cost of 189,000. To fund this

project, we have depleted the Building and Maintenance Fund and used other assets previously designed for repairs and maintenance of our facilities. We will continue the "Building & Maintenance Fund" raffles to raise money to fund these projects. If anyone would like to donate any amount to help fund these ongoing projects, that would be most welcome.

~Thank you