

SUNDAY, JULY 11, 2021

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Office Hours: Mon, Tue, Thurs. 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Wed. 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. closed on Fridays. Parish office number 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 JULY 13th – JULY 18th 2021

Tuesday, July 13

8:00 a.m. Pierz +Louene Kobilka-Walz

Wednesday, July 14

8:00 a.m. Buckman +Donald Collins
7-8:00 p.m. Buckman Eucharistic Adoration

Thursday, July 15

8:00 a.m. Buckman +Joe Koltas

Friday, July 16

8:00 a.m. Pierz +LeRoy G. Hoheisel
8:30 a.m. Buckman Word/Communion Service
9:30 a.m. Villa +Charles Lochner (*Mass only for Residents*)
3-6:00 p.m. Pierz Eucharistic Adoration

Saturday, July 17

1:30 p.m. Buckman *Wedding* - Marisa Pollard and Zack Peterson
4:30 p.m. Pierz +Maureen Watercott

Sunday, July 18

8:00 a.m. Pierz +Hildegard Kapsner, and For the People of the Parishes
10:00 a.m. Buckman +Franny Stangl

ST. MICHAEL'S WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP:

Adult	\$ 3695.09
High School	\$ 9.00
Elementary	\$ 6.00
Plate	\$ 144.00
	\$ 3854.09

Thank you for your generosity!

Mass attendance **July 4th Sunday:** 123

ST. JOSEPH'S WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP:

Adult	\$ 6346.00
High School	\$ 36.00
Elementary	\$ 7.25
Plate	\$ 286.17
	\$ 6675.42

Thank you for your generosity!

Mass attendance **July 3rd Saturday:** 156

Mass attendance **July 4th Sunday:** 198

HOLY TRINITY CALENDAR WINNERS

July 5 – Darcy Peters, **July 6** – Kandice Virnig,
July 7 – Ron Nelson, **July 8** – Mary Hansmann,
July 9 – Gloria Woitalla,
July 10 – Garrett Doucette - (\$35 Winners).
July 11 – Jerry & Carol Posch (\$75 Winner).

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

From the Pastoral Associate While things may not be perfect now, and like weeds there are troubles and trials about, I think at times like these to remember that, like flowers there are good, holy things and beauty all around us and we should thank God for all the blessings He has given us. We thank God for the rain we have received and the sun to warm the ground. We thank our Father for the birds and flowers. We also thank Him for His love that He has shown to us through people in our midst. We thank Him for people like Mrs. Debra Meyer-Myrum and Kelly Gangl who have given so much of themselves to our children through Holy Trinity. We are thankful for being able to have games and celebrations together. We are grateful for being able to gather together in extended family celebrations again. Most of all, we are thankful for a loving God who is with us in good times and bad if only we ask Him to be. Thank you, Lord, for all you have done for us. Amen.

~~~~ **Michael Pekar Don't forget there are Scripture Reflection Questions on the Website.**

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**WELCOME!** To Fr. Robert Harron for coming this weekend July 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> and celebrating Mass with us.

**LOOKING AHEAD:** Fr. Popp will be gone through July 15<sup>th</sup>

**Breast Cancer Benefit** for Beth (Dehler) Trutwin on July 24 from 4-8 PM at Frosty's in Pierz. If you would like to donate contact Apryl 320-291-7467 or Becky 320-360-3721

**Pro-Life Friends:** I'm excited to report that abortions in Minnesota dropped 8 percent last year. The 2020 total of 9,108 abortions is the lowest since 1974! This is wonderful news for unborn children and their mothers. You can find more information about the latest abortion report on our website.

<https://www.mccl.org/?bblinkid=252487809&bbemailid=32464318&bbejrid=2020705261> We've made a lot of progress! But there is so much more to do. Thanks for partnering with us as we work to make sure the human rights of every unborn child are protected. For Life, *Scott Fischbach Executive Director*

**Stewardship as a Way of Life: “He instructed them to take nothing for the journey but a walking stick — no food, no sack, no money in their belts.” — Mark 6:8** Imagine taking nothing but a stick when you go on a trip. The Apostles must have really trusted in God's providential care. Think of all the material things “we can't live without” in today's world. We make our life's journey more difficult because of all the material baggage that we drag along. Putting God first in everything and putting our money and possessions second gives us freedom because we don't become “slaves” to wanting to acquire more things.

**ROSARY AT THE GROTTTO:** Please join the local KCs as we pray the Rosary at the Grotto (Corner of Hwy 25 & Hwy 27, across from Speedway) at 8p.m. on Wednesday, July 14. Everyone is welcome to join us!

**ST. MICHAEL'S NEWS & ACTIVITIES:**

**SUN., JULY 18<sup>th</sup> @ 10:00 a.m.**

**Lector:** Nathan Gruber

**Communion Ministers:** Janice Janson & Cindy Scholl

**Servers:** Wyatt & Ashlee Dingmann

**Ushers for July:** Brian Stangl, Gregg Stangl, & Todd Caddy

**CONGRATULATIONS:** To Zack & Marissa (Pollard) Peterson who were married this weekend!

**PARISH BAZAAR NEWS \*Grand Raffle Donations:** If you would like to contribute to the grand raffle and have your name or your business recognized on the raffle tickets, please send your donation to the parish office P.O. Box 428, Pierz, MN 56364 or call at 320-468-6033. Donations received by 7/26/2021 will be included on the raffle ticket. *We appreciate your support!*

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**HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL: 468-6446**

\*Welcome to Lynn Dombovy, Accounting Clerk.

\*Welcome to Lucretia Johnson, 1st Grade Teacher.

\*Employment opportunity: Reading Corp tutors for K-3. Contact the school office for more information.

\*2021-22 Registration is open for enrollment. Go to, [www.holytrinitypierz.org](http://www.holytrinitypierz.org) or contact the school office.

\*Holy Trinity continues to sell gourmet coffee grown in Guatemala. The coffee is available for purchase at the school. Holy Trinity makes \$3 on each bag sold and the rest goes to pay the farmers in Guatemala for the coffee beans. Regular (ground or bean) \$13.00, in French, Dark, or Medium Roast. Decaf (ground or bean) \$14.00.

\*Reminder that the HTCS Playground is a private playground not only during the school year, but during the summer as well. The playground is for the students and children in our childcare program. Thank you for your respect and consideration.

**AREA NEWS:**

\***Bazaar, Church of St. John, Foley**, on July 18, 2021, from 11am-4pm. The day's festivities include a raffle, silent auction, adult and children's bingo, children's games, bake sale, food stand, and much more! All are welcome!

\***Our Lady of Lourdes (Little Falls)** is holding its annual summer bazaar on Sunday, July 25. Polka/Gospel Mass at 8:30AM & 10:30AM. Musical entertainment by Laverne and the Starlites from 12-4PM. Festivities include outdoor food booth, homemade pie and ice cream, bingo, pull tabs, beer garden, arts & crafts, silent auction, live auction, kids games, raffle & more.

\***St. Rita's, Hillman Bazaar**, Sunday, July 25<sup>th</sup>. The day will have food stands, beer garden, kids games, bingo, sportsman's raffle, auction at 2:30p.m. and grand raffle at 5p.m.

\***St. Joseph's Church Pierz** Parish Festival will be held August 1<sup>st</sup> 2021. Mass will be at 10 a.m.

\***Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Urbank** invites everyone to their Annual Bazaar on Sunday, September 5, 2021. Mass will be at 10:30AM followed with a Braised Beef & Ham dinner from 11:00 AM - 2PM. Games, silent auction, refreshments, 2PM concert by Connie Lee Stich and fun for the whole family!

**ST. JOSEPH'S NEWS AND ACTIVITIES:**

**Weekday Lector: July 13<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>:** Al Pekarek

**SAT. JULY 17<sup>th</sup> @4:30 p.m., & SUN. JULY 18<sup>th</sup> @8:00 a.m.**

**Communion Ministers:** Sat. July 17 – Keith Marshik, Jan Dahmen, & Ruth Stuckmayer, ***Choir*** – Sara Fyten  
Sun. July 18 – Beth Fischer, LeRoy Swanson, & Jan Kimman  
**Servers:** Sat. July 17<sup>th</sup> – Madison & Alison Gross  
Sun. July 18<sup>th</sup> – Anna & Adam Hoheisel

**GRAND RAFFLE TICKET BOOKS:** If anyone is in need of ticket books, give the parish office a call (320) 468 6033 and staff will have the number of ticket books you request recorded and set aside to pick up. Thank you!

**PARISH BAZAAR NEWS: Country Store:** we are in need of household items (pictures, ornaments, figurines etc. or even electronic items (working clocks etc.)). New and gently used toys, items, and decor. Please no clothing or books. Contact Tracy Voigt (320) 630 1264 with any questions.

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**"The love of husband and wife is the force that welds society together." - St. John Chrysostum** A Marriage Encounter Weekend allows a husband and wife to get away together and focus on each other. Next Weekends are Oct 8-10, in Buffalo and Oct 15-17 in OWATONNA. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: [northmnwwme.org](http://northmnwwme.org) or contact Brent & Tracy at [applications@twincitieswwme.org](mailto:applications@twincitieswwme.org) or 612-756-8720.

**Celebrate Natural Family Planning (NFP) Awareness Week July 25-31!** This is a great time to learn about NFP and God's plan for your marriage. The theme this year from the USCCB is, "To Have, To Hold, To Honor." Supporting God's gifts of love and life in marriage. If you have questions or would like additional resources contact Sheila Reineke at 320-258-7609 or [sreineke@gw.studio.org](mailto:sreineke@gw.studio.org)

**Celebrate the Anniversary of *Humanae vitae*! Mass and Award Reception July 29, 2021!** Mark your calendars! The Diocese of Saint Cloud will celebrate the Anniversary of *Humanae Vitae* on Thursday, July 29th, at the Cathedral of Saint Mary in Saint Cloud. The celebration will begin with Mass at 7p.m. with Bishop Donald Kettler presiding. The *Humanae Vitae* Award Reception will follow Mass. The recipient of the 2021 *Humanae Vitae* Award will be **Sue Ek**.

**Foster Grandparent Program**, Currently there are openings here in Pierz. Adult's age 55 and over can receive an hourly tax-free stipend for volunteering as little as 8 hours per week (or more if they wish) assisting children with activities, reinforcing learning, helping with art projects, and more. This is a great opportunity if you have time to spare, love to be with children, and could use some extra non-taxable income. For more information, please call Jon at Catholic Charities at 320-229-4593 or toll-free at 1-866-895-7992. Please let me know if you have any questions about this information. Thank you in advance for your help. Sincerely,

**FPSR NEWS: 468-2640**

FPSR is in need of a few volunteers for the 2021/22 school year. We are asking people to prayerfully consider volunteering and teaching religion for one of the following grades. First grade Tuesdays from 1 to 2 PM, second grade Tuesdays from 2 to 3 PM, or Thursdays fifth grade 2 to 3 PM. For more info., please contact Mark Hoheisel at 320-360-1539