

SUNDAY, MAY 16, 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 MAY 18th – MAY 23rd, 2021

Tuesday, May 18

8:00 a.m. Pierz +Jim Kummet

Wednesday, May 19

8:00 a.m. Buckman The Recipients of Prayer Blankets

7-8:00 p.m. Buckman Eucharistic Adoration

Thursday, May 20

8:00 a.m. Buckman +Joseph “Joe” Herold

Friday, May 21 - Pierz HT School Mass: Mrs. Przybilla’s 5th Grade Class

8:30 a.m. Pierz +Joe Koltes

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, May 22

4:30 p.m. Pierz +Judy Herman

Sunday, May 23 (Pierz Mass recorded & posted to website)

8:00 a.m. Pierz St. Joseph’s 2021 Senior Class

10:00 a.m. Buckman St. Michael’s 2021 Senior Class

Class of 2021 Baccalaureate Masses – Congratulations Class of 2021!

ST. MICHAEL’S WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP:

Adult \$ 3029.00

High School \$ 14.00

Elementary \$ 13.00

Plate \$ 479.00

\$ 3535.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Mass attendance **May 8th Sunday: 257**

ST. JOSEPH’S WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP:

Adult \$ 6481.00

High School \$ 24.00

Elementary \$ 39.55

Plate \$ 402.00

\$ 6946.55

Thank you for your generosity!

Mass attendance **May 8th Saturday: 135**

Mass attendance **May 9th Sunday: 253**

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

HOLY TRINITY CALENDAR WINNERS

May 10 – Larry & Ronda Bednar, **May 11** – Tyler Boser, **May 12** – Alexander Gruber (Dawn Gruber), **May 13** – Charles Gruber, **May 14** – Geri & Al Kasper, **May 15** – Joe Meyer - (\$35 Winners). **May 16** – Tom Przybilla (\$75 Winner).

FROM OUR PASTOR: We got new policies for opening up our churches this last week. Great News! We can now fill up our Holy water in our stoups and fonts, altar servers are able to come back, we can have procession of our gifts, we can do the sign of peace (if you feel comfortable doing so) and we can have communion under both species. This all can start as soon as May 22nd. We will be able to remove our ropes and have full compacity use of our churches by May 28th. We are still required to use face coverings during Mass until July 1st. This is a great Blessing!

I hope everyone got out and enjoyed this beautiful weekend with your family and friends. God Bless ~ Fr. Kenneth Popp

AMERICAN LEGON MEMORIAL MASS: This year’s Memorial Mass will be held at St. John Nepomuk Church in Lastrup. Mass time will be 10:00 a.m., followed by Military honors.

***NOTE*:** There is an updated letter from Bishop Kettler about the current Covid-19 guidelines posted on our website:

www.stjosephs-stmichaels.org.

The 24th Annual KC Buffalo Raffle, (in Memory of Rich and Gen Boser): sponsored by the St. Isidore’s Council #3982, Pierz, MN. To be held Saturday, May 22, at the Pierz Ballroom. We will be having a buffalo feed from 4-8pm. It is \$7 for a burger, potato salad, baked beans, chips, and homemade desserts. The hall will have beer, wine coolers and set-ups available. The hall is donated by the Pierz Ballroom. Raffle tickets are \$10 each and can be purchased that night, from any KC, or certain businesses before the drawing. Raffle to be held at 8:15 pm, at the Pierz Ballroom. Half the proceeds (off the top) go to the American Cancer Society. 1st Prize-\$1000 cash, 2nd Prize-Choice of seven guns, 3rd Prize-\$500 cash, and many more cash prizes. Need not be present to win. Music by the Waltzateer Band.

KC Buffalo Raffle and Appreciation Meal: All KC members are asked to bring a pan of bars to the Pierz Ballroom for the Appreciation meal on Saturday, May 22, 2021. Any one that can help in working in any way please come to the ballroom around 2:00 pm or any time that works for you. **We really need help cleaning up.** Also, please return all tickets (**sold or unsold**) to the person that gave them to you (before Saturday) or bring them to the Ballroom on Saturday. Thank you for all your help in making this a great fundraiser for the St. Isidore’s Council.

Eucharistic Adoration: Jesus says: “Come sit with me.” Why don’t you visit the Eucharist every day for at least 15 minutes? Busy? Too busy for Jesus? He wasn’t too busy to come to earth from Heaven to die for you! Adoration is at St. Michael’s Church every Wednesday from 7-8 p.m. and at St. Joseph’s Church every Friday from 3-4 p.m. We need prayers so much today; and Jesus and our Blessed Mother need you too.

ST. MICHAEL'S NEWS & ACTIVITIES:

SUN., MAY 23rd @ 10:00 a.m.

LECTORS: Baccalaureate Senior Students

COMMUNION MINISTERS: Nicole Hoheisel & Debbie Hall

USHERS FOR MAY: John Grittner & Mick Gruber

FINANCE MEETING: Thurs. May 20th at 7:00 p.m.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING: Thurs., May 20th at 7:30 p.m. grounds walkthrough.

AT PEACE WITH GOD: +*Mary Otremba* passed away on May 1st. A Mass of Christian Burial was held on Thursday, May 6th at St. Michael's Church with burial in the parish cemetery. +*Robert Oldakowski* passed away on April 30th. A Mass of Christian Burial was held on Saturday, May 8th at St. Michael's Church with burial in the parish cemetery. We extend our sympathy to these families and assure them of our prayerful support.

ATTENTION SENIORS: Baccalaureate Mass at St. Michael's Church on May 23rd at 10:00am.

HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL: 468-6446

*Employment opportunity: Part-time accounting clerk, flexible hours, 20-24 hours / week, 12 months. Contact the school office for more information.

*Holy Trinity annual golf tournament is Saturday, June 26th. Save the date! Information to be a sponsor or participate will be available soon or call the school office to sign-up.

*Students will be participating in various field trips this week.

*Kindergarten graduation is at 10am and sixth grade graduation is at 7pm on Thursday, May 27th.

*2021-22 Registration is open for enrollment. Go to, 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.

FPSR NEWS: 468-2640

*Wednesday, May 19th - JH/SH Random Acts of Kindness Night/FPSR Garage Sale 6pm-8pm.

Engaged Couples Retreat Sat. May 22nd – Held at Mary of the Immaculate Conception, Rockville, MN from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Doors will open at 8:30 a.m. See our website at <https://stcdio.org/engaged-couple-marriage-preparation/> for more details or call (320) 252-4721.

Celebrate You – Virtual Aging Celebration Conference

Thursday, May 20th 9:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. To register go to <http://bit.ly/celebrateyou2021>. This event is about bringing people who are aging gracefully together to connect and learn virtually. The workshops include: Entrepreneur Bob Koehler's "Finding Your Purpose", Wellness in The Woods Founder and Executive Director Jode Freyholtz's "Sharing a No-Guilt Cookie", AARP Associate Director Jay Haapala's "Scam Proof Your Life", and Maslowski Wellness's Nicole Pomrenke's "Live Healthy".

ST. JOSEPH'S NEWS AND ACTIVITIES:

SAT. MAY 22nd @ 4:30 p.m., SUN. MAY 23rd @ 8:00 a.m.

WEEKDAY LECTOR May 18th: Harvey Kimman

COMMUNION MINISTERS: Sat. May 22 – Mary Schraut, Keith Marshik, & Jan Dahmen, *Choir* – Kerri Kasper
Sun. May 23 - Courtney Kroll, Kristie Kroll, & Ruth Stuckmayer

LECTORS FOR MAY:

Sat. – Colleen Lucking, Sun. – Karen Gross

USHERS FOR MAY:

Sat. – Lee Maus, Steve Boser, Andy Kapsner, Mathew Stumpf
Sun. – Jim Gerwing, Daniel Loidolt, Bob Thielen, Steve Maus

ATTENTION SENIORS: Baccalaureate Mass at St. Joseph's Church on May 23rd at 8:00am.

St. Joseph's Booklet Kiosk: Check on the many new booklets in the kiosk on wall opposite the elevator in the south entrance to the church.

GRAND RAFFLE: St. Joseph's Grand Raffle is now accepting cash donations. We appreciate every donation received to help make our grand raffle one of the best. You may drop the donation off or contact the Parish office at 468-6033. *Thanks!*

ST JOSEPH'S QUILTING GROUP NEWS: We have finished our group quilting for this year. We will leave a stitched and tied quilt set up for people to go down on their own time (or grab a friend) to work on them. **A SPECIAL THANKS FOR ALL THAT WORKED SO HARD THIS YEAR.** We do have enough for this year's bazaar and quilt bingo. Questions call Eileen 320-360-2434.

Theology on Tap Come join us for a fun night out at Theology on Tap on Thursday, May 27. We meet at the Falls Ballroom in Little Falls. Social hour begins at 7p.m. and all are encouraged to join us for a taco bar and drinks from a full bar. We are excited to welcome both Father Joe Herzing and Father Gregory Mastey back for a "Grill the Priests" session. They will begin at 8p.m. and will answer your questions about the Catholic faith. We will have paper and pens for you to write your questions and they will get through as many as our time allows. This is sure to be a fun and engaging event. All are welcome! Feel free to contact Amy at amy.schlichting11@gmail.com with any questions

Virtual Caregiver Support Groups: LSS Caregiver Support Groups are a safe place for caregivers to discuss their experiences and share resources. Groups also provide caregivers with information, training and tools, and assist caregivers in building a supportive network. To register call or email Mary Smith at (218) 203 7312 or mary.smith@lssmn.org Participant contributions encouraged. May/June Support Group dates are Tuesday, May 18th 1-2 p.m. and Tuesday, June 15th 1-2p.m. You will need to use Microsoft Teams in order to participate live using a computer or smartphone. An option to participate via phone and to have materials emailed to you ahead of time will also be provided. Please feel free to reach out to Mary Smith with questions. For more info call 1 866 787 9802 or go to www.lssmn.org/caregiversupport.