

ST. JOHN NEPOMUK CHURCH
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FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
July 16, 2023
Father Aaron Nett, PASTOR

HOLY CROSS CHURCH
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Pierz, MN 56364
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MASSES FOR WEEK

ST. JOHN NEPOMUK:

Tuesday	July 18	7:00 pm	+Joelle Hayes
Saturday	July 22	8:00 pm	Parishes
Sunday	July 23	10:45 am	Parishes

HOLY CROSS:

Wednesday	July 19	8:00 am	+Romelle Kurtz
Sunday	July 23	8:45 am	+Julian & Verna Pulak

*Rosary and Divine Mercy Prayer 25 minutes before Mass in both Parishes.

*Confessions-1/2 hour before each weekday Mass and 7:30 AM in Pierz on Sunday, 9:45 AM on Sunday in Buckman
7:30 PM Saturday in Lastrup and 8:15 AM on Sunday in Harding

HOLY CROSS CHURCH:

Sunday July 23, at 8:45 am

Ushers: Rich Langer & Andy Voitalla
Servers: Elliott Carmona & Maverick Voitalla
Lector: Sheila Rudolph
E.Minister: Leonard Thesing
Rosary: Phyllis Schmidtbauer

ST. JOHN NEPOMUK CHURCH:

Saturday, July 22, at 8:00 pm

Ushers: Ron & Barb Specker
Server: Duncan & Freyja Wipper
Lector: Art Stumpf
E.Minister: Allen Riedeman

ST. JOHN NEPOMUK CHURCH:

Sunday, July 23, at 10:45 am

Ushers: Ron Monson & Don Will
Server: Kimmans
Lector: Laurel or Ruth Clemons- Virnig
E.Minister: Traci Schommer

WEEKEND MASS TIMES IN PIERZ AND BUCKMAN- Fr. Aaron Nett

Saturday at 4:30 PM in Pierz: Sunday 8:00 AM in Pierz and 10:00 AM in Buckman

Sat-+Helen Andres & the Parishes Sun 8 am-+Mary Ann Kummet Sun 10 am-Safe & good harvest

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES IN PIERZ AND BUCKMAN-

Buckman-Thursday, 8:00 am-+Celestine "Cell" Gall

Pierz-Friday, 8:00 am- **No Mass due to funeral**

SHEPHERDS VOICE: Receiving God's Gifts:

Dear Friends,

Our Gospel antiphon this week proclaims, "The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower. All who come to him will have life forever." Attention all farmers and gardeners! Jesus is speaking your language. We might ask ourselves, how am I preparing the soil (my heart) to receive the Word God is seeking to sow in me? "Christ the sower" is always at work, desiring to provide for us out of his love and care. How do we prepare to receive his gifts?

NOTES:

This past Thursday we had a first meeting to discuss a new schedule for weekend Mass times. The Parish staff and councils from the four parishes met with Brenda Kresky, the Director of Parish Planning for the St. Cloud Diocese. A committee will be formed with members from each community that will pray about and discern the best possible schedule moving forward. May we keep in mind the mission of the church as we pray and take the next steps. As an ACC, we are all on the same "Catholic team" with the same end goal, which is heaven. Let's work together so that we make it to the goal.

When there is a funeral daily Mass will be canceled across the ACC. Individuals may attend the funeral Mass in place of the daily Mass. Also, contacts for anointings and emergency calls are listed for the respective parishes. Thank you for your patience and flexibility.

God Bless You,

Father Aaron

HOLY CROSS PARISH:

STEWARDSHIP:

Sunday, July 9; Adults, \$1357.00 (46 env); Adult loose, \$284.00; Children, \$9.60 (15 env); Children loose, \$10.00
Building Fund, \$75.00(3 env); Cemetery Fund, \$200.00; Bazaar Account, \$275.00

COUNCIL MEETINGS:

There will be a Finance Council Meeting here Next Thursday, July 20th at 7:00 PM in the church basement followed by a pastoral council meeting at 7:30 PM.

FUNERAL:

Tony DeLong's funeral will be next Friday, July 28 with Fr. David so it won't affect Pierz Masses that day.

GUN RAFFLE:

If anyone is interested in donating to the gun raffle for the bazaar, please contact Amber Voitalla at **218-831-0894**

THANK YOU:

Thanks to all of the parishioners who helped with Oliver Rudolph's funeral: Kitchen, servers, food donations, music, and anyone else who helped in any way. It was greatly appreciated! Den & Joelle Rudolph

FISHING GAME:

If anyone is interested in donating towards the prizes for the fishing game please contact Melissa at **218-251-1332**.

BAZAAR TICKET ENVELOPES:

Our ticket envelopes for our 2023 bazaar are ready to be picked up and to be delivered to other parishioners. Please do **NOT** leave Ticket envelopes in people's mailboxes! If you need additional tickets, please contact Kathy Hoffman Tax at **320-630-1880**. There will not be fishing trip tickets this year due to booking conflicts. Thank you for working to make the Holy Cross Bazaar a success.

ST. JOHN NEPOMUK PARISH:

STEWARDSHIP:

Sunday, July 9, Adults, \$1718.00; Adult loose; \$297.25; Children envelope, \$2.00; Votive, \$7.75

BAR BINGO NEWS:

Come to the Fisch House in Lastrup to play bingo every Tuesday evening at 6PM. The next bingo jackpots are 52 numbers for \$1000 and 58 numbers for \$400. Please come and join us for a fun evening. St. John's gaming #02115

NEWS FOR BOTH HOLY CROSS AND ST. JOHN NEPOMUK PARISH:

EMERGENCY CONTACT PHONE NUMBER:

If you have an emergency and need a priest, please call Teresa at **320-360-9720** anytime and she will contact one for you! This is for both Lastrup and Harding Parishes. Also can call *me* for other parishes, if you can't reach anyone. Also for Pierz and Buckman the contact is Michael Pekar at **320-221-1134**

FUNERAL MASS:

There is a funeral scheduled in Buckman next Friday the 21st, so there will not be any Masses in Pierz that day!

MASS SCHEDULING CHANGES:

Due to the decrease in the number of Masses held at each parish, for the time being, we will all be limited to only schedule 2 Masses per year at each parish. We will give you a list of places you can send money or we will send for you to have extra Masses said. We have to do this to give everyone a fair chance to get their Masses said. If there is an emergency, we may have to bump your Mass and reschedule it. We will also be limiting the holiday Masses scheduling! More information will be coming!

RURAL LIFE CELEBRATION:

You are invited to the 2023 Diocesan Rural Life Celebration beginning with an outdoor Mass with Bishop Patrick Neary on Sunday, August 20, 2023 from 10:30 am to 3 pm -rain or shine. At St. Nicholas Parish 9473 County Rd, 3 NE Carlos, MN

HORIZON HEALTH:

Horizon Health sent a whole pack of informative letters. Some are on the bulletin board and the rest are laying on the table. Please check them out and see all the services they offer: Some included are Legal Aid, Alzheimers walk, State Fair bus trip, Caregivers support, Dementia Support group, Faith in Action, Pet companions and more. Check them out

CENTRAL MN KOINONIA:

We are all called to be fishers of men. Are you using the right bait? Central MN Koinonia is a weekend Catholic retreat program sponsored by the St. Cloud Diocese and is designed for adults to help you on your faith journey. Retreats are held at the TEC Center north of Little Falls, MN. The next English weekend will be held September 22-24, 2023. Cost of the weekend is \$70.00. Go to **www.centralmnkoinonia.org** for more information and to register for retreats.

CIRCUS- The circus is coming to Pierz Schools located at 66 Kamnic St. on Tuesday, July 25. 9:30 AM-Tent raising & Tour -

4 PM Midway opens- Performances at 5 and 7:30 PM Tickets at F & M Bank, Unity Bank, Red's Auto, Pierz Foods and Hartmanns

PRAYER REQUESTS: Mackenzie Gross, Marlene Knopik, Lois Weitalla, Rhys Boser, Kyle Eastman, Rick Edgell, Glen Anderson, Sharon Barrett, Carmen Britz, Gerard Virnig, Serena Truskowski, Gina Virnig, Fran Groover (LF), Donny Schommer, Scott Bednar, Jerod Bursch (Foley), Kenny LeBlanc, Doris Weiss, Mary Ann Schomer, Justin Lindgren, Eric Halbert, Aaron Boser, Karen Schommer, Ione Hoskins.

HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL: GROWING TOGETHER IN GOD'S LOVE:

***HTCS OFFICE**-Hours fluctuate during the month of July. Please call the office to make arrangements to stop in.

***COFFEE**- Guatemalan coffee is always available for purchase at the school. Holy Trinity makes \$3.00 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

***RAFFLE CALENDAR WINNERS**

July 9-Shelby & Logan Janson-\$75	July 10-Kyle & Nicole Welle-\$35	July 11-Dave & Patty Karpinski-\$35
July 12-Scott & Sarah Boser-\$35	July 13-Jolene & Tony Kotten-\$35	July 14-Dale Sauer-\$35
July 15-Kay Winscher-\$35		

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