

**ST. JOHN NEPOMUK CHURCH**  
Box 38  
Lastrup, MN 56344  
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**SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
July 30, 2023  
*Father Aaron Nett, PASTOR*

**HOLY CROSS CHURCH**  
29482 243rd Street  
Pierz, MN 56364  
Hardingchurch.org

**MASSES FOR WEEK**

**ST. JOHN NEPOMUK:**

Tuesday	Aug. 1	7:00 pm	+Norman Block
Saturday	Aug 5	8:00 pm	+Don, Caroline, Robert & Loren Schmitz
Sunday	Aug 6	10:45 am	+Harold & Romelle Welle

**HOLY CROSS:**

Wednesday	Aug 2	8:00 am	Ronnie, Roman, and Mae Gross
Sunday	Aug 6	8:45 am	Parishes

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

\*Confessions-1/2 hour before each weekday Mass and 4:00 PM on Saturday & 7:30 AM in Pierz on Sunday, 9:45 AM on Sunday in Buckman, 7:30 PM Saturday in Lastrup and 10:15 AM on Sunday, and 8:15 AM on Sunday in Harding

**HOLY CROSS CHURCH:**

Sunday August 6, at 8:45 am

Ushers: Gary Stuckmayer & Russ Woitalla  
Servers: Erin & Tyler Thesing  
Lector: Doug Knopik  
E.Minister: Debbie Hoheisel (choir)  
Rosary: Gloria Woitalla

**ST. JOHN NEPOMUK CHURCH:**

Saturday, August 5, at 8:00 pm

Ushers: Alan Welle & Jonathan Welle  
Server: Smudes  
Lector: Dale Beierman

**ST. JOHN NEPOMUK CHURCH:**

Sunday, August 6, at 10:45 am

Ushers: Dale & Diane Schmitz  
Server: Brittney Schommer  
Lector: Children

**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-4:30 PM- + John"Jack" Happke & for the parishes Sun 8 am-Reconciliation of our nation back to God

Sun 10 am-+Joyce Leidenfrost

**WEEKDAY MASS TIMES IN PIERZ AND BUCKMAN-**

Buckman-Thursday, 8:00 am-+Shannon & Judy Fyten

Pierz-Friday, 8:00 am- +Marian Sauer

**SHEPHERDS VOICE: FROM THE PASTORAL ASSOCIATE:**

1.) Please pray for the youth who are on a Steubenville retreat. 2.) Well, it is hot as hell outside. Well, not really hell is a lot hotter and there is never any relief from the heat or a chance to be with the loving compassionate Father who created us and gives us all good things. By the grace of God and by living in the Holy Spirit and acting in his ways, we hope to avoid that fate and to be with God in His cool kingdom forever. But our goal in life as baptized members of Christ's body, is not just to spend eternity with God for ourselves, but to lead as many people as we can to come to know, love and serve the Lord. We are to look for every opportunity in our prayer life, our job, our recreation, our friendships to be an instrument of the Lord to bring others to Jesus. According to ARDA's collection of the US Census, 32% of the people in Morrison County do not claim any faith at all. The harvest is plenty. We all need to be laborers for the Lord's harvest of souls. As we talk about the weather, politics, farming, or the Twins, let us also be sure to talk about the most important relationship and mission in our life, **JESUS.** – **Michael Pekar**

**HOLY CROSS PARISH**

**STEWARDSHIP:**

Sunday, July 23; Adults, \$1025.00 (37 env); Adult loose, \$203.00; Children, \$8.20 (15 env), Building Fund, \$5.00(1 env)

**THANK YOU:**

Thank you so much to our pastoral council for all the recent improvements. The new carpet throughout the church looks so nice! Thank you to Doug Knopik and Yvonne Kisor and family who helped move stuff in the choir. Also thank you for getting the statues painted on the cemetery. What a huge improvement! They look so nice. Lastly thank all the men who worked so hard on that 90 degree plus day last Wednesday to raise all the cemetery stones that were tipping. This needed to be done for a long time and we are all so grateful to all those who helped get it done. We had a Senior crew to do it (and Elder), but they got it done. It took about 4 ½ hours in that terrible heat. Please thank Allen Woitalla (also brought 2 skidsters), Elder Carmona, Dave Schubert (brought a skidster), Dave Skwira, Dan Kozulla (brought a tractor and a loader), Gary Matlock, Gary Hebler, and Leonard Thesing. There was a lot of shoveling and dirt work by hand! **A JOB WELL DONE GUYS!!!!**

**BANNS OF MARRIAGE: (Wedding August 12)**

II. Yvonne Kisor and Ted Boser

**DONUT SUNDAY:**

Next Sunday, August 6 will be donut Sunday. Please join us downstairs after Mass

**CONDOLENCES:** Our sincerest sympathy to the family and Friends of Tony DeLong, who was laid to rest on Friday. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace!

**GUN RAFFLE:**

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

**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**.

**ST. JOHN NEPOMUK PARISH:**

**STEWARDSHIP:**

Sunday, July 23 Adults, \$1245.00; Adult loose; \$411.00; Children envelope, \$2.00; Children loose, \$52.00 Votive, \$5.00

**ST. JOHN NEPOMUK PHONE CALLS:**

There will no longer be anyone to answer the phones in Lastrup so please call Teresa at **320-360-9720**.

**BAR BINGO NEWS:**

Come to the Fisch House in Lastrup to play bingo every Tuesday evening at 6PM. The next bingo jackpots are 54 numbers for \$1000 and 60 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:**

**PRAYERS FOR OUR ACC: \*\*\* LAST WEEKEND TO SIGN UP FOR THIS MISSION**

Please join us in a Marian consecration to ask for our Blessed Mother's prayers and the guidance of the Holy Spirit in this time of transition. We will be doing a consecration in May as a group, some for the 1<sup>st</sup> time, others this is a time to renew their consecration. Since Mary is the spouse of the Holy Spirit, we will be intentionally asking for His intercession and the Spirit's guidance for all of us as we move forward with the new Mass schedule and cooperation as the people of God trying to bear fruit in our parishes and communities. Please sign up by calling Teresa Thesing at **320-360-9720** or email: [ltthesing@hotmail.com](mailto:ltthesing@hotmail.com). Sign-up sheets are in the church entry as well. Please sign up by August 7<sup>th</sup> so we can order books as the consecration begins August 13<sup>th</sup> and ends on the Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows on September 15<sup>th</sup>. Blessings, and please join us! **Deacon Craig**

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST:**

We will now only be having Communion Ministers when there is a choir upstairs. Otherwise, we will be having a deacon here to help.

**PIERZ ANNUAL BAZAAR:**

St. Joseph's Church in Pierz will be having their annual bazaar on Sunday, August 6. Lots of food, fun and games! Please join us!

**CENTRAL MN KOINONIA:**

**Just like your computer needs a reboot** once in a while, so does your faith life. 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](http://www.centralmnkoinonia.org) for more information and to register for retreats.

**PRAYER REQUESTS:** Mackenzie Gross, Marlene Knopik, Lois Woitalla, 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:**

\***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

\***ECE ORIENTATION:** Monday, August 28, 5PM-7PM.

**ALL SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE & PTO PICNIC:** Tuesday, August 29, 5PM-7PM. Information for both events was sent through Fast Direct, more information will be sent.

\***STEAK & WINE 2023:** Mark your calendars for October 14 at the Pierz Ballroom. We are currently accepting donations for the online & live auction. Please call Steve **320-630-5303** Kristin Andres **320-630-5354** to coordinate.

**\*RAFFLE CALENDAR WINNERS**

July 23-Mason Zajac-\$75

July 24-Gary Zimmerman-\$35

July 25-John Virnig-\$35

July 26-Alex & Natalie Gruber-\$35

July 27-Brian Klein-\$35

July 28-Alan Storkamp-\$35

July 29-Rachel & Chris Young-\$35

**PHONE NUMBERS:**

For emergencies(if you need a priest)Harding/Lastrup call Teresa at 320-360-9720

Pierz/Buckman call Michael Pekar at 320-221-1134

If you can't reach one of us, please call the other!

To schedule Masses in Harding/Lastrup- call Teresa at 320-360-9720

To reach St. John Nepomuk Church/ Holy Cross - call Teresa at 320-360-9720

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