

ST. JOHN NEPOMUK CHURCH
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TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
September 17, 2023
Father Aaron Nett, PASTOR

HOLY CROSS CHURCH
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MASSES FOR WEEK

ST. JOHN NEPOMUK:

Tuesday	Sept. 19	7:00 pm	+Lucy Hanson
Saturday	Sept. 23	4:00 pm	+Margaret & Raymond Boser

HOLY CROSS:

Wednesday	Sept. 20	8:00 am	+John Kurtz
Saturday	Sept. 23	6:00 pm	+Ervin "Butch" Maleski

*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:

Saturday, September 23, at 6:00 pm ***NEW MASS TIME**

Ushers: Dave Skwira & Russell Voitalla
Servers Maverick Voitalla & Elliott Carmona
Lector: Lynn Dukowitz
Rosary: Ted Boser

ST. JOHN NEPOMUK CHURCH:N

Saturday, September 23, at 4:00 pm ***NEW MASS TIME**

Ushers: Jonathan Welle & Glenn Boser
Server: Gross
Lector: Mark Loidolt

Sunday at 10:00 AM in Pierz + Marcy Broschofsky & Kenny Funk **Sunday 8:00 AM in Buckman** + Joe & Anna Gangl

Buckman-Thursday, 8:00 am +Rose Janorschke

Pierz- Friday+ Dale & Dominick Dahmen

LIVING FOR THE LORD:

Dear friends,

In our second reading from Romans it proclaims, "For if we live, we live for the Lord, and if we die, we die for the Lord; so then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's" (Rom 14:8). This passage reminds us of who we are. We are the Lord's own. God has created us and has redeemed us and we are loved and held by him. This truth is something that we ought to remind ourselves of daily, and even many times a day. We are the Lord's and we live for him alone.

This weekend is the final weekend of the six-Mass schedule in the four parishes of the Father Francis Xavier Pierz ACC. Next weekend begins the new Mass schedule listed in the bulletin. I want to thank Father Ken and Father David for their great help and pastoral care during this time of transition. They made this transition possible giving generously of their time in their retirement. Also, thank you to the committee members who prayed about and discussed what would be the best possible schedule for the four parishes.

I also want to thank Deacon Craig and all those who made the consecration to Mary on September 15th. It is the Blessed Mother that unites her children in times of uncertainty and change. A great thanks to everyone who has offered special prayers and daily Mass for wisdom, peace and unity during this time of change. I have been so impressed by your flexibility and faithfulness in the midst of this big change. It is not easy and yet so many have pledged their prayers and willingness to unite and help their neighboring parish through the changes, This certainly speaks loudly of who you are. I thank you for that from my heart.

Finally, I give thanks to our good and gracious God for all the good things and gifts of his love he pours upon us. In the time to come, may we unite as one Catholic family, and continue to remember whose we are and seek to live for him alone.

God Bless you, Father Aaron

HOLY CROSS PARISH NEWS:

STEWARDSHIP:

Sunday, September 10; Adults, \$4676.00 (46 env); Adult loose, \$74.00; Children, \$8.75 (10 env), Child loose, \$7.00
Votive, \$94.50; Building Fund, \$65.00 (4 env)

CHURCH CLEANERS:

Kathy Halbert, Shannon Wisneski, Amber (Russell) Voitalla, Cari Voitalla, Gloria Voitalla, Melissa (LeRoy) Voitalla, and Melissa (Mike) Voitalla

ST. JOHN NEPOMUK PARISH:

STEWARDSHIP:

Sunday, September 10; Adults: \$1098.00, Adult loose: \$347.00, Children loose: \$6.00, Children env. \$2.00: Energy, \$25.00
Votive, \$2.50

BAR BINGO NEWS Come to the Fisch House in Lastrup to play bingo every Tuesday evening at 6PM. The next bingo jackpots are 61 numbers for \$1000 and 51 numbers for \$400. Please come and join us for a fun evening. St. John's gaming #02115

MEAT RAFFLE: We now have a meat raffle at the Fisch House every Sunday at 5:00 PM. Please join us for some fun and try and win some meat St. John's Gaming #02115.

FIREMENS MASS:

Lastrup will be hosting the firemens Mass on October 7 at 4:00 PM. We are asking ushers to come about a half hour early as we are expecting a large crowd.

NEWS FOR BOTH PARISHES:

NEW MASS SCHEDULES:

Mass times for the weekend Masses will change on September 23-24. There is a new schedule in this week’s bulletin.

WEEKEND CONFESSION TIMES:

Saturday- 3:30 PM- St. John Nepomuk
Sunday- 7:30 AM- St. Michael’s
Second Sunday of the Month
After the 6:00 PM Mass at Holy Cross
After the 10:00 AM Mass at St. Joseph’s
Confessions offered also by appointment or request

DIRECTORIES:

We now have the extra directories available for sale. They are \$15 each. That was the cost to submit a picture so that’s what they charge for the books too. If anyone is interested from anywhere, please call Teresa at **320-360-9720** or Louise at **320-360-1345**.

BUCKMAN BAZAAR

Today, September 17 is the Buckman Bazaar. Polka Mass at 10 AM, sweet corn, pulled pork, hamburgers, coffee cakes, pie and ice cream, bake sale, farmers market, fancy work, gun raffle, quilt raffle and bingo and so much more! Plan on joining us for a fun day!!

SENIORS FALL SOCIAL:

The Pierz Dining Center will be having a Fall social on Thursday, September 28th, 2023. There will be FREE bingo starting at 3:30 with dinner served at 5:00 PM. The suggested donation for the meal is \$5.00. Anyone 60 years of age, or handicapped is welcome. Please RSVP to Nancy at **320-468-2160** by September 25th to reserve your meal.

THE WOMEN’S EASTERN DEANERY:

The women’s deanery invites your to “*Mary, Our Spiritual Mother*” with a presentation by Jean Zwilling on her travels to Fatima & Lourdes. Join us on Saturday morning, October 7, 2003 at Pierz-St. Joseph church: Mass at 8:00 am. Program ends at noon, with free-will-offering at lunch to follow. Register by October 1st via email, text, or phone call to Nita Hayes **320-630-0388, nitahayes@live.com**

ROSARY COAST TO COAST:

Please join us in praying for our nation on Saturday, October 7th at 3 PM at St. John Cantius Church outside at the statue of Mary. If inclement weather, it will be held inside the church. The Rosary will be prayed simultaneously with Rosary Rallies across the United States so please arrive a little early so it can begin right at 3 PM. We would love to see you there! If you can’t join us in person, consider praying the Rosary at 3 PM Central wherever you may be. May God Bless the United States of America.

PRAYER REQUESTS:

Kurt Lucking, Sally Lentner, Cindy Hayes, 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; HOOKED ON JESUS:

***MARATHON FOR CATHOLIC EDUCATION:** Friday, September 22, 2023. To donate online:

https://givergy.us/holytrinitymarathon2023/?controller=home

Prayer intentions can be shared via **https://forms.gle/K2.16VHL3xg82aUBNA**

***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

***STEAK & WINE 2023 DINNER TICKETS:** On sale now at HTCS office- \$40/person, -\$400 for a reserved table of 8.

***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:**

Sept. 10-Grady & Kelly Nouis-\$75 Sept. 11-Julie & Mark Haldenwanger-\$35 Sept. 12-Bev Schmidtbauer-\$35
Sept. 13-Linda Rothstein-\$35 Sept. 14-Jamey Stangl-\$35 Sept.15-Alex & Natalie Gruber-\$35
Sept. 16-Cherise Hortshorn-\$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.

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