

**ST. JOHN NEPOMUK CHURCH**  
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**28<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IIN ORDINARY TIME**  
October 15, 2023  
*Father Aaron Nett, PASTOR*

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

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**MASSES FOR WEEK**

**ST. JOHN NEPOMUK:**

Tuesday	Oct. 17	7:00 pm	+Edna Stuckmeyer
Saturday	Oct. 21	4:00 pm	+Joe Banach

**HOLY CROSS:**

Wednesday	Oct. 18	8:00 am	+Lois Roscoe
Saturday	Oct 21	6:00 pm	+Edward Voitalla

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

\*Confessions-Saturdays-3:30 PM at St. John's and Sunday at 7:30 AM at St. Michael's and the first weekend of the month-After the 6 PM Mass at Holy Cross and Sunday after 10 AM Mass at St. Joseph's

\*Confessions also ½ hour before each weekday Mass or by appointment

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**HOLY CROSS CHURCH**

Saturday, October 21 at 6:00 PM

Ushers: Andy Voitalla & Dave Skwira  
Servers: Max & Adam Voitalla  
Lector: Sheila Rudolph  
Rosary: Gloria Voitalla

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**ST. JOHN NEPOMUK CHURCH**

Saturday, October 21 at 4:00 pm

Ushers: Don Will & Roy Boser  
Server: Brittney Schommer  
Lector: Julie Laney

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**Sunday at 10:00 AM in Pierz** +Janice Hoffman **Sunday-8:00 AM in Buckman** +Donald & Lucy Kelzenberg

**Buckman-Thursday-** St Michael's Catholic United Financial members

**Pierz- Friday-** +Patricia "Pat" O'Neil

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**THE REVIVAL IS HAPPENING:**

Dear Friends,

One of my favorite times of the year is going to the Steubenville Youth Retreat in the summer. It always amazes me and gives my spirit a boost to see thousands of youth excited about their Catholic Faith. I highly encourage any parent to send their child to the retreat because it could be a life-changing experience, as it has been for so many through the years. The highlight of the entire weekend is an extended time Eucharistic Adoration with the priests processing around to bless students in the auditorium. Many students experience a strong presence of the Holy Spirit in a way like never before. This presence is known to them by deep peace, joy and a sense that they are personally loved by God. This presence comes through the power of the Holy Eucharist, which is the Sacrament of God's love for each of us. The revival amongst the youth is apparent at Steubenville and is spreading. We are now in the second year of the Church's Eucharistic Revival which is a year focused in the parishes. The mission of the revival is, "To renew the Church by enkindling a living relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist." And the revision of the revival is, "To inspire a movement of Catholics across the United States who are healed, converted, formed, and unified by an encounter with Jesus in the Eucharist-and who are then sent out on mission "for the life of the world." I am personally very excited about the Eucharistic Revival as it brings hope that we can bring our families and society out of this current darkness and back to faithfulness and love of God and neighbor. We must work together. God will do amazing things with our efforts when we place our trust in him! If you are interested in being involved or have any ideas for our parishes, please contact me at the office. How is God calling you to be a part of the revival?

God bless you,  
Father Aaron

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**HARDING PARISH NEWS:**

**STEWARDSHIP:** Saturday, October 7: Adults, \$1163.00(40 env); Children, \$16.21 (8 env); Adult loose, \$66.10; Children loose, \$8.00

**ROSARY SODALITY:**

We will be going to play bingo with the residents at the Villa on Friday, October 20, 2023. We need to be there by 2 PM and the residents really love to see the children. We need a few ladies to help residents play. It's a fun afternoon for them and they enjoy visitors

**ROSARY SODALITY MEETING:**

There will be a Rosary Sodality meeting in the church basement on Tuesday, October 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM.

**MARRIAGE BANNES:**

Bann III for Samantha Gross and David Wimmer (wedding October 21)

**WELCOME:**

Welcome to our faith community Blakeleigh Diane Kasper, daughter of Jacob Kasper and Crystal Kowalczyk, who will be baptized into the new life of Christ today.

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**ST. JOHN NEPOMUK PARISH:**

**STEWARDSHIP:** Saturday, October 7; Adults: \$761.00, Adult loose: \$355.00; Children loose: \$35.00, Energy-\$20.00; Votive, \$5.25

**CONDOLENCES:** We extend our sincerest sympathy to the family and friends of Marcella Boser who was laid to her eternal rest this past week. May her soul and the soul of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace!

**THANK YOU:**

The family of Marcella Boser would like to thank everyone for all the cards, thought, prayers and words of comfort. Also thank you to Fr. Aaron, Father David and Fr. Lauren for concelebrating the Mass and to the choir and all who helped with the lunch. Your kindness is greatly appreciated!

**BAR BINGO NEWS** Come to the Fisch House in Lastrup to play bingo every Tuesday evening at 6PM. The next bingo jackpots are 50 numbers for \$1000 and 55 numbers for \$400. Please come and join us for a fun evening.

After this week, with the new bulletin deadline, we will no longer be able to post the numbers for the jackpots. They would be too late so they will be posted online and at the Fisch House and also on their facebook page. 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.

**NEWS FOR BOTH PARISHES:**

**PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS:**

Meetings will be held on Thursday, October 19<sup>th</sup> in the church basement at Holy Cross. Lastrup and Harding will meet from 6-7 PM and Pierz and Buckman will meet from 7:15-8:15 PM.

**FATHER AARON'S OFFICE HOURS:**

Father Aaron will usually be in the office Tuesday-Thursday from 11AM to 3PM. This is subject to change depending what is going on, so you may want to call and see if he is in first. **320-468-6033**. You could also set up an appointment with him at that number.

**FATHER AARON'S INSTALLATION MASS:**

There will be a Mass at St. Joseph's Church in Pierz on Friday, October 27 at 8:30 AM with the HT children. Bishop Patrick Neary will be there to do the installation of Father Aaron Nett. Everyone is welcome to attend this Mass.

**BULLELTIN INFORMATION:**

The new deadline for information will be **Monday at 3:00 PM**. Bulletin information can be sent to [stjoes@midco.net](mailto:stjoes@midco.net) If you are unable to email information, you can still call Teresa and I will get it in for you. For this next week you can still send to Teresa.

**PHONE NUMBERS:**

One last reminder before switching bulletins, to reach either Lastrup or Harding Parishes, please call **320-360-9720**.

**BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL:**

The Bishop's Annual Appeal proudly supports respect-for-life efforts in the diocese. To provide even better support and coordination for these ministries, the diocese has recently named an Associate Director for Respect Life. The change allocates more time and resources to respect -for-life initiatives. Your generosity helps make this possible. To donate, visit [www.stcdio.org/annualappeal](http://www.stcdio.org/annualappeal) or mail to: Bishop's Annual Appeal, PO Box 1538, St. Cloud, MN 56302.

**STEWARDSHIP:**

Stewardship is a way of Life. "My God will fully supply whatever you need..." Philippians 4:19

God really does provide for those who are grateful and generous. This is very difficult for people that don't live a stewardship lifestyle to believe. People are skeptical and say it's just coincidence. If you are skeptical, try living a stewardship lifestyle for just one month- be generous with your gifts of time in prayer, talent in charitable works, and treasure, then see how God provides for your needs.

**BOX OF JOY TIME:**

Guess what time it is? Box of Joy Time! We are so blessed to be partnered with Cross Catholic for this wonderful Christmas mission. Box of Joy is our annual mission to send gifts to the poor children in underdeveloped countries such as Honduras, Dominican Republic, Haiti and Africa. We would LOVE to have you join this fun and easy mission. Boxes and information sheets will be available all month long in the entry ways of our parishes and parish office. Collection week is November 6-12<sup>th</sup> ! Watch the bulletin for gift ideas. Thank you for your generosity and God Bless. Sara Stumpf **320-493-7062**. Drop off Nov 11<sup>th</sup> , 12 PM-4PM or Nov 12<sup>th</sup> **9AM-1PM**.

**PRAYER REQUESTS:** (please check the names you have put on this list to see if they need to remain on here.)

Alice Matlock, 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, Kenny LeBlanc, Doris Weiss, Mary Ann Schomer, Justin Lindgren, Eric Halbert, Aaron Boser, Karen Schommer, Ione Hoskins.

**ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM:**

The energy assistance program serves both renter and homeowners. The program provides benefits to pay for home heating ranging from \$200 to \$1400. Benefit amounts are based on household heating costs, household size and income. The Energy Assistance program provides help with energy disconnections, no/low fuel in the tank, and homeowner's furnace repairs. Eligibility for the program is based on the household's past 1 month of income and assets are not counted. Applications for the program and income guidelines are available at Tri-CAP's website [www.tricap.org](http://www.tricap.org) or call Tri-CAP at **320-251-1612** for an application to be mailed or for more information about the program.

**HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL; HOOKED ON JESUS:**

\***THANK YOU, BUS DRIVERS:** Thank you to our district busing staff. We appreciate your dedication and care for our students!

\***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:**

Oct. 8-Kari Solinger-\$75

Oct. 9-Mike Pohlkamp-\$35

Oct. 10-Lisa Motschke-\$35

Oct.11-Bill & Sherry Andres-\$35

Oct. 12-Whitney Wagner-\$35

Oct. 13-Diane Scott-\$35

Oct. 14-Amy Faber-\$35

**PHONE NUMBER:** For emergencies, if you would like a priest, for Harding/Lastrup call Teresa at 320-360-9720

