



**FATHER FRANCIS XAVIER PIERZ**  
AREA CATHOLIC COMMUNITY



## 23<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

And people brought to him a deaf man who had a speech impediment and begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him off by himself away from the crowd. He put his finger into the man's ears and, spitting, touched his tongue; then he looked up to heaven and groaned, and said to him, "Ephphatha!"—that is, "Be opened!" - Mk 7:32-34

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### REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE

#### TUESDAY

7:00 p.m. – St. John Nepomuk Lastrup

#### WEDNESDAY

8:00 a.m. – Holy Cross Harding

#### THURSDAY

7:00 a.m. – St. Michael's Buckman

#### FRIDAY \*Note new Mass time

9:00 a.m. – St. Joseph's Pierz

#### SATURDAY

4:00 p.m. – St. John Nepomuk Lastrup

6:00 p.m. – Holy Cross Harding

#### SUNDAY – St. Michael's Bazaar (Mass change)

\*8:00 a.m. – St. Joseph's Pierz

\*10:00 a.m. – St. Michael's Buckman

\*\*See inside cover for any changes for the upcoming week

## SEPTEMBER 8, 2024

### 23<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

#### CONFESSION SCHEDULE

**SATURDAY:** 3:30 p.m. St John Nepomuk Lastrup

**SUNDAY:** 7:30 a.m. St. Michael's Buckman

**Confession Times:** \*30 minutes before Pierz, Harding and Lastrup weekday Masses, 30 minutes after Buckman Mass, and by appt.

\*First Weekend of the Month: After 6 p.m. Mass at Holy Cross Harding and after 10 a.m. Mass at St Joseph's Pierz

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**A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR. FATHER AARON NETT**



**The Use of Kneelers at Mass**

Dear Friends,

The Eucharistic Revival began over two years ago, and now in its third year, has focused on bringing about a greater love and devotion to the Holy Eucharist in our church. The Eucharist is the Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior of the world. This divine gift is the “source, summit and center of the entire Christian Faith”, as the Catechism (1324)states. The Revival aims at bringing a greater devotion to this Holy Sacrament which has too often been taken for granted, disrespected or treated very casually.

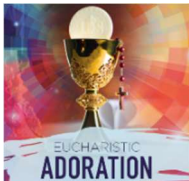
If we wish to renew the church and fan the flame of God’s love throughout the world, it must start with us receiving God’s grace in the Eucharist with reverence, frequency and love. The great Saint Padre Pio once said, “A thousand years of enjoying human glory is not worth even an hour spent sweetly communing with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.”

The revival seems to be having an effect as in the past few years more people have been kneeling down to receive on their knees and taking the Eucharist on the tongue. In fact, after the Stuebenville Conference in the summer of 2023, a good number of students and parents started to receive on their knees and on the tongue. Several people since then have asked me if we could set out kneelers at Mass, as they had seen other churches do the same. After some prayer and arranging a few logistics, we will start setting out two kneelers at Mass for those who wish to use them.

Those who wish to remain standing and receive on the hand may continue to do so, as either form of receiving is currently permitted in the church. If one chooses not to kneel or is unable to kneel, they should not feel like they are not receiving reverently. As the saying goes, “if you cannot kneel, kneel in your heart.” And also, “vise versa,” if one kneels while receiving it does not mean they are “holier” than those who do not kneel. The most important aspect of receiving is that our hearts are open and ready to receive with love and devotion. The kneelers are simply meant to provide an opportunity for those who wish to kneel when receiving the Holy Eucharist.

It is an amazing blessing to offer Holy Mass for the needs of the people and the entire world. I am often inspired and moved by the worship and devotion that I see from the people of God. May we always cherish and never take for granted this wonderful gift of God’s love and power to change the world. St. John Paul II said, “In that little host is the solution to all the problems of the world.”

God bless you,  
Father Aaron

MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 10 – SEPTEMBER 15	
<p><b><u>Tuesday, September 10</u></b> 7:00 p.m. Lastrup +Alice Stangl</p> <p><b><u>Wednesday, September 11</u></b> 8:00 a.m. Harding +Joe Voitalla 12:45 p.m. Pierz <b>Patriotic Rosary</b> 8a.m.-8p.m. Buckman All Day Eucharistic Adoration</p> <p><b><u>Thursday, September 12</u></b> 7:00 a.m. Buckman +Madeline Hoheisel 10:00 a.m. Villa Christian Mothers/Women</p> <p><b><u>Friday, September 13</u></b> 9:00 a.m. Pierz +Leo Sobiech 3-6:00 p.m. Pierz Eucharistic Adoration</p> <p><b><u>Saturday, September 14</u></b> 4:00 p.m. Lastrup Pierz Class of 1974 6:00 p.m. Harding For the people of the parishes</p> <p><b><u>Sunday, September 15 – St. Michael’s Bazaar (note Mass time change)</u></b> 8:00 a.m. Pierz +Janice Hoffman 10:00 a.m. Buckman + Steve Klein 11a.m.-5p.m. Buckman Eucharistic Adoration</p>	<p><b><u>FRIDAY MASS TIME CHANGE:</u></b> The Mass in Pierz on Fridays is now at 9 a.m.</p> <p><b><u>MASS TIME CHANGE:</u></b> Masses on Sunday, September 15 will be at 8 am in Pierz and 10 am in Buckman due to the St. Michael’s Church Bazaar.</p> <p><b><u>*Emergency Contact:</u></b> If you have an emergency and need a priest, please call pastoral associate Adam at 952-913-4438.</p> <p><b><u>Pierz &amp; Buckman Office Hours:</u></b> Located in Pierz. Mon, Tue, Thurs. 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Wednesday 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Fridays 8:30 a.m. to 12 noon.</p> <p><b><u>Lastrup &amp; Harding Office Hours:</u></b> Call 320-360-9720</p> <p><b><u>*Weekday Masses When There is a Funeral:</u></b> Going forward, when there is a funeral, the regular scheduled weekday Mass will still take place.</p> <p><b><u>*Bulletin Announcement Deadline:</u></b> The deadline for submissions of bulletin announcements is <b><u>Mondays at 3 p.m.</u></b> You can email <a href="mailto:stjoes@midco.net">stjoes@midco.net</a>, mail PO Box 428, Pierz MN 56364, or call 320-468-6033.</p>
 <p><b>EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION</b> St Joseph Pierz – Fridays 3-6 p.m. St. Michael Buckman – Wednesdays 7-8 p.m. and the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month from 8 a.m. – 8 p.m. Holy Cross Harding – Blessed Sacrament Chapel always open</p>	



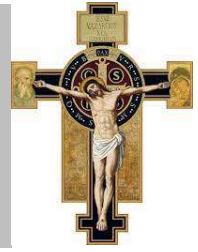
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### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14 at 4:00 p.m.

**Lector:** Mark Loidolt

**Server:** Ellie Thomsen

**Ushers:** Donny Schommer & Ron Specker

**E. Minister (Choir):** Traci Schommer

**GAMING COMMITTEE MEETING:** There will be a gaming committee meeting on Tuesday, September 10<sup>th</sup> after the 7:00 p.m. Mass at parish office.

**BAR BINGO NEWS:** Come to the Fisch House in Lastrup to play bingo every Monday evening at 5:30 p.m. Please come and join us for a fun evening. The jackpot numbers will be posted online and at the Fisch House and also on their Facebook page. St. John's gaming #02115.

### ST. JOHN NEPOMUK WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP:

\*Saturday, August 31<sup>st</sup>: Adult env. \$480, Adult loose \$133, Children env. \$2, Children loose \$25. **Mass attendance:** 163

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| 1. \$100 CASH—NOAH WAYTASHEK                    | 60. \$25 CASH—KEVIN HOLTZ                     |
| 2. \$500 CASH—MOLLY TAX                         | 61. \$75 CASH—KRISTA KUTZMAN                  |
| 3. \$250 CASH—CHARLOTTE OLSON                   | 62. \$100 CASH—BRIAN & JENEAN WOITALLA        |
| 4. \$200 CASH—TIM NASH                          | 63. \$50 CASH—RUTH NORBERG                    |
| 5. \$150 CASH—MARY ANDERSON                     | 64. \$50 CASH—MATT HOFFMAN                    |
| 6. \$150 CASH—ELLEN TRETTER                     | 65. \$50 CASH—SY KRUEGER                      |
| 7. \$125 CASH—JERRY WEISZ                       | 66. \$50 CASH—MARK BEIERMAN                   |
| 8. \$100 CASH—STEVE GROSS                       | 67. \$30 CASH—FLORENCE LARSON                 |
| 9. \$100 CASH—CLYDE HAYES                       | 68. \$100 CASH—JOHN KELZER                    |
| 10. \$100 CASH—JENNA LEBLANC                    | 69. \$25 CASH—JEAN LENARZ                     |
| 11. \$100 CASH—MARCELLA WOITALLA                | 70. \$100 GIFT CARD—MARY SEELAN               |
| 12. \$100 CASH—PAUL NORBERG                     | 71. \$50 CASH—CHARLOTTE OLSEN                 |
| 13. \$100 CASH—JERRY MILLER                     | 72. \$100 CASH—BERNADINE PRZYBILLA            |
| 14. \$100 CASH—RYAN BRILL                       | 73. HOODIE—BOB KUMMET                         |
| 15. \$100 CASH—ISABEL SKIBA                     | 74. HOODIE—ED VAN SLYKE                       |
| 16. \$100 CASH—JAMIE SCHILLING                  | 75. \$25 CASH—SHERYL CHRISTENSEN              |
| 17. \$100 CASH—BILLIE JO ZUPAN                  | 76. \$50 CASH—KATIE EINCK                     |
| 18. \$100 CASH—KEN KOWALZEK                     | 77. \$100 CASH—CHARLIE TEMPLIN                |
| 19. \$50 CASH—BRAD BRILL                        | 78. \$100 CASH—CAROL WELLE                    |
| 20. \$50 CASH—JAYME SCHILLING                   | 79. SMOKE DETECTOR/TAPE MEASURE/--DEBRA BRISK |
| 21. \$50 CASH—ALFRED DAHMEN                     | 80. \$100 CASH—SHANNON KOWALCZYK              |
| 22. \$50 CASH—EARL LUST                         |   |
| 23. \$50 CASH—MARCIE SWENSON                    |   |
| 24. \$50 CASH—KALVIN GIRTZ                      |   |
| 25. \$50 CASH—CAROLYN HANSON                    |   |
| 26. \$50 CASH—JUSTIN JONES                      |   |
| 27. \$50 GIFT CERTIFICATE—JIM STEIN             | 81. \$100 CASH—DICKY HELD                     |
| 28. \$50 CASH—ALLEN STUCKMAYER                  | 82. \$100 CASH—RONNIE JOHNSON                 |
| 29. \$40 CASH—JASON & MARYKAY BOSER             | 83. \$100 CASH—CURT THESING                   |
| 30. \$25 CASH—GARY JUTZ                         | 84. \$50 CASH—VALERIE & GARY MATLOCK          |
| 31. \$25 CASH—HELEN SCHLEGEL                    | 85. \$50 GIFT CERTIFICATE—TIM M PRZYBILLA     |
| 32. \$25 GIFT CARD—ALICE KAHLHAMER              | 86. \$50 GIFT CERTIFICATE—MILTON TUTTLE III   |
| 33. \$25 GIFT CARD—GEORGIA VANGEST              | 87. \$100 CASH—DEANNA O'HOTTO                 |
| 34. \$25 GIFT CARD—DEB BELCHER                  | 88. \$50 CASH—SUE WOITALLA                    |
| 35. BROWN AFGHAN—DEBBIE WOITALLA                | 89. \$50 CASH—MIKE KAHLHAMER                  |
| 36. \$20 CASH—DAN FURLONG                       | 90. \$40 CASH—KATHY POEPPING                  |
| 37. 20# PROPANE REFILL—CHAD THESING             | 91. \$100 CASH—JAMES GILL                     |
| 38. 20# PROPANE REFILL—GREGG LEBLANC            | 92. \$50 CASH—URBAN SCHMIDTBAUER              |
| 39. CONE, SANDWICH & BURGER—GERARD VIRNIG       | 93. \$100 CASH—MEGAN MAURER                   |
| 40. CONE, SANDWICH & BURGER—IRENE BRISK         | 94. \$25 CASH—JOHN WARZECHA                   |
| 41. CONE, SANDWICH & BURGER—JENNY KAPSNER       | 95. \$100 CASH—STACY THOMAS                   |
| 42. CONE, SANDWICH & BURGER—LARRY SMUDE         | 96. \$50 CASH—GRACIE DEMBOUSKI                |
| 43. CONE, SANDWICH & BURGER—DORINE SCHOMMER     | 97. \$50 CASH—WADE LAUER                      |
| 44. 2-1/2 CHICKEN DINNERS—MARTHA WOITALLA       | 98. \$25 CASH—ROMANA HANNEKEN                 |
| 45. 2-1/2 CHICKEN DINNERS—DJ HOHEISEL           | 99. \$50 CASH—NICK RATKE                      |
| 46. \$10 GIFT CERTIFICATE—ROSE HUBNER           | 100. PRIME RIB DINNER—BUCK JANSON             |
| 47. \$10 GIFT CERTIFICATE—JEFF/SHANNON WISNESKI | 101. SWEATSHIRT—TOM CUNZ                      |
| 48. \$10 GIFT CERTIFICATE—MEL GANGSTAD          | 102. SWEATSHIRT—DENNIS FISCHER                |
| 49. \$10 GIFT CERTIFICATE—CATHY PERKEN          | 103. \$100 CASH—MARY YOUNG                    |
| 50. \$10 GIFT CERTIFICATE—ROGER SCHULZ          | 104. \$50 CASH—GRACIE DEMBOUSKI               |
| 51. AFGHAN—BILL OPELTT                          | 105. \$50 CASH—THEO PROKOTT                   |
| 52. \$250 CASH—GEORGE DEHLER                    | 106. \$250 CASH—DUANE SCHRAUT                 |
| 53. \$100 CASH—TERESA THESING                   | 108. \$250 CASH—JULIE POSER                   |
| 54. \$100 CASH—JEROME LAMPERT                   | 109. QUEEN SIZE TIED QUILT—CAROL PIERZINSKI   |
| 55. 3-6" SUBS—BRADYN HEMMESCH                   | 110. \$25 GIFT CARD—COLE LOIDOLT              |
| 56. \$125 CASH—BROOKE RUDOLPH                   | 111. \$100 CASH—JEAN LENARZ                   |
| 57. \$100 CASH—BRAXTYN BILLIG                   | 112. \$50 CASH—GARY & SHARI SCHUBERT          |
| 58. \$100 CASH—RICHARD ONDICH                   |   |
| 59. \$50 CASH—MIKE KRUG                         |   |

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14 at 6:00 p.m.

**Lector:** Sheila Rudolph

**Server:** Elliott Carmona

**Ushers:** Kevin Dembouski & Allen Stuckmeyer

**E. Minister (Choir):** Gary Matlock

**Rosary:** Gloria Woitalla

### HOLY CROSS WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP:

\*Sunday, Sept. 1: Adult env. \$760.75, Adult loose \$907, Child env. \$210.50, Children loose \$83. **Mass attendance:** 347

**PRAYER REQUESTS FOR LASTRUP & HARDING:** Gary Matlock, Tom Dukowitz, Sara Hanneken, Paul Hoheisel, Ayden Boser, Jeremy Girtz, Mark, Becker, Olivia Waldorf, Pat (Rod) Boser, Alice Matlock, Kurt Lucking, Lois Woitalla, Rhys Boser, Doris Weiss, Mary Ann Schomer, Aaron Boser, Ione Hoskins, Gerard Virnig, Donny Schommer.

### Holy Cross Harding Bazaar Winners September 1, 2024

Thanks to all that made our raffle a great success. Sorry if any names are spelled wrong, some were hard to read.

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| 113. \$50 CASH—SARAH DANO                             |
| 114. \$10 GIFT CARD—ADAM SCHUBERT                     |
| 115. \$10 GIFT CARD—SHANNON KOWALCZYK                 |
| 116. \$250 CASH—JANAE BRILL                           |
| 117. \$100 CASH—EILEEN PELZER                         |
| 118. \$100 CASH—AMANDA KAPSNER                        |
| 119. TACKLE ITEMS—ROSS SHOULTZ                        |
| 120. \$50 CASH—MARY VOIGT                             |
| 121. \$10 GIFT CARD—GARY HEBLER                       |
| 122. \$10 GIFT CARD—ELEANOR SKOCHENSKI                |
| 123. \$10 GIFT CARD—DIANE HOHEISEL                    |
| 124. \$10 GIFT CARD—JENNA ROWLAND                     |
| 125. \$10 GIFT CARD—LOUIS EBERTOWSKI                  |
| 126. \$10 GIFT CARD—ERNA KOWALZEK                     |
| 127. \$10 GIFT CARD—DEBBIE WOITALLA                   |
| 128. \$10 GIFT CARD—PENNY LOIDOLT                     |
| 129. \$10 GIFT CARD—WESTON WOITALLA                   |
| 130. \$10 GIFT CARD—ADELINE SIETZ                     |
| 131. \$100 CASH—LEONARD THESING                       |
| 132. \$25 GIFT CERTIFICATE—JOAN THESING               |
| 133. \$25 GIFT CERTIFICATE—RYAN WOITALLA              |
| 134. \$100 CASH—EMILY ANN DEHLER                      |
| 135. \$100 CASH—ALICIA WHITCOMB                       |
| 136. \$25 GIFT CERTIFICATE—RICHARD SYPNESKI           |
| 137. \$25 GIFT CERTIFICATE—TAUNYA POSER               |
| 138. \$100 CASH—KEVIN DEMBOUSKI                       |
| 139. \$50 CASH—BARB SMUDE                             |
| 140. \$100 CASH—JEFF YOUNG                            |
| 141. \$100 CASH—AJ TRETTER                            |
| 142. \$150 CASH—TRACY VOIGT                           |
| 143. \$40 CASH—BERNICE BANICK                         |
| 144. \$25 GIFT CERTIFICATE—WAYNE LAUER                |
| 145. \$200 CASH—NOAH WAYTASHEK                        |
| 146. CROW WING POWER BAG (\$80)—RONNIE JOHNSON        |
| 147. \$25 GIFT CERTIFICATE—JUSTIN PUGH                |
| 148. \$100 CASH—JEFF/SHANNON WISNESKI                 |
| 149. VARIOUS ITEMS—JENNA DAMBOWY                      |
| 150. DUFFLE BAG—JACKIE HOFFMAN                        |
| 151. \$100 CASH—WAYNE LAUER                           |
| 152. \$15 GIFT CARD—NEAL KIMMAN                       |
| 153. \$15 GIFT CARD—MARSHAL RENLOW                    |
| 154. \$125 CASH—DORIS HOFFMAN                         |
| 155. \$25 GIFT CERTIFICATE—BOB HIEMENZ                |
| 156. \$25 CASH—JIM KRYCH                              |
| 157. \$25 CASH—BOB SKIBA                              |
| 158. NIGHT STAY/\$50 OFF FOOD/\$25 PLAY—KEVIN KUTZMAN |
| 159. FLOWER BASKET—ALAN CARMONA                       |
| 160. FLOWER BASKET—DARCI WAYTASHEK                    |

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### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15 at 10:00 a.m.

**Lector:** Nathan Gruber

**E. Ministers:** Donna Solinger & Deb Hall

**Servers:** Gabe Stangl & William Dehler

**Ushers for September:** Grant Stangl, Nathan Gruber & Shane Zilka



### New Life in Christ

Kinley Marie, daughter of Branden & Kylee Sauer was baptized on Sunday, September 1<sup>st</sup>. Congratulations and welcome to our community of faith!

### BAZAAR NEWS:

\*If anyone is in need of raffle tickets, please call the parish office at 320-468-6033. Raffle tickets can be dropped in the collection PRIOR to Bazaar, at the parish office in Pierz (before Sept. 13<sup>th</sup>), or brought to the raffle stand the day of the Bazaar. **REMINDER: All tickets sold or unsold must be returned on or before Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup>.**

\*Craft items wanted for our new game, the Craft Circle, previously known as Fancy Work Stand. Rugs, metal crafts, wooden items, towels, art, etc. Contact Val Stangl at 320-630-0580.

**SACRISTAN HELP NEEDED:** We are in need of a few volunteers to help set up for weekday and weekend Masses and baptisms. If interested, please contact Adam at 952-913-4438.

**ST. MICHAEL'S CEMETERY:** To purchase St. Michael's Cemetery plots or columbarium niches please contact the parish office in Pierz (320) 468-6033.

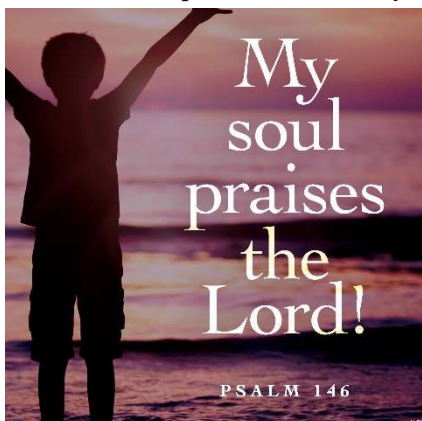
**PRAYER LINE:** If you are in need of prayers, please call Mary Brenny at 320-393-2781 or Mary Malinowski at 320-223-9783.

### ST. MICHAEL WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP (Sept. 1)

Adult	\$ 2,896.00
High School	\$ 4.00
Elementary	\$ 4.00
Plate	\$ 139.00
	\$ 3,043.00

**Thank you for your generosity!**

Mass attendance **September 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday:** 227



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### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15 at 8:00 a.m.

**Lector:** Colleen Lucking

**E. Ministers:** David Stumpf, Wanda Kapsner & Keith Marshik

**Servers:** Kessler children

**Sacristan:** Keith Marshik

**Ushers for September:** Jeremy Virnig (Lead), Allan Kroll, Mathew Stumpf & Andy Kapsner



### II. BANNS OF MARRIAGE

Wedding September 21<sup>st</sup>

Clare Schaeffbauer & Nathan Wind

**REMINDER:** If you are wanting to rent tables and chairs, you must contact the parish office first and set up a time to pick up and drop off. Thank you!

**REMINDER:** St. Joseph's Christian Mothers/Women would be honored to pray a rosary at the wake of any parishioner or their family member.

**PRAYER LINE:** If you have a prayer line request, please either call Karen Gross at 320-468-6818 or email Rachel Young at rjyoung0521@gmail.com.

### ST. JOSEPH WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP (Sep. 1)

Adult	\$ 6,032.10
High School	\$ 21.75
Elementary	\$ 14.65
Plate	\$ 236.30
	\$ 6,304.80

**Thank you for your generosity!**

Mass attendance **September 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday:** 310

### ACC Faith Study Groups

\*The Tuesday Adult Faith study group meets on Tuesdays at 3:00 in the parish office. We use videos, a study guide and discussion. Call Hilde Flicker with questions 320-468-2649.

\*Man Accountability: Men of all parishes, give us the honors of joining us on Saturdays from 6:45-8AM at the Pierz parish office for Gospel prayer, Acts 2:42, and accountability. Iron sharpens iron! Questions/reminders please text/call Mark Loidolt, 701-388-2323.

\*Women's Group meets on Saturday mornings from 8:15-9:30 a.m. We'll meet in St. Joseph's church at 8:15 to pray a rosary followed by discussion in the parish office until 9:30. All women are welcome! Call or text Cari Stumpf with any questions, 320-761-6336.

\*The Sunday Night Adult Education Group meets on Sunday night at 7PM in the Pierz parish office meeting room. We watch a short video on a variety of Catholic topics followed by a discussion. For more information, call Al Pekarek at 468-0220.

### Jesus Speaking to St. Faustina:

*"I desire to unite Myself with human souls; My great delight is to unite Myself with souls. Know, My daughter, that when I come to a human heart in Holy Communion, My hands are full of all kinds of graces which I want to give to the soul. But souls do not even pay attention to Me; they leave Me to Myself and busy themselves with other things. Oh, how sad I am that souls do not recognize Love! They treat Me as a dead object" (Diary of Saint Faustina, 1385)*



## GENERAL NEWS

**SEVEN SORROWS ROSARY/CHAPLET:** **Sunday, September 8<sup>th</sup>.** Please join the Christian Mothers/Women group the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month after Mass, to pray the Seven Sorrows Rosary/ Chaplet. We will meet in the St. Michael's-Buckman cemetery at the crucifix. If weather does not permit, meet in the church. Everyone is welcome. We pray this Rosary to learn to suffer with love, as Mary, the Mother of Jesus, did.

**PATRIOTIC ROSARY 2024:** Because our nation is in great need of prayers, various Catholic groups are uniting to pray the rosary on Wed., September 11<sup>th</sup> at 12:45 p.m. at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Pierz. The Hearts of Faith, local Christian Women groups, Legion and Auxiliary, Knights of Columbus, and the students of Holy Trinity School will each lead a decade of the rosary. There are 50 Hail Marys in the decades and 50 states, so we will be praying for 10 states with each decade. We also will be praying for all of our government officials. Hoping you will be interested in praying with us. Thank you!

**ALL DAY ADORATION:** From 8 a.m.-8 p.m. on Wednesday, September 11<sup>th</sup> at St. Michael's Church in Buckman. Call Patty at 320-468-2487 with questions or to sign up.

**FAMILY ROSARY NIGHT:** **The next Family Rosary Night will be Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup>** at Gary & Faye Diederich's house, 31193 183<sup>rd</sup> Street, Pierz MN 56364. Family Rosary Night is held the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month. Gatherings start at 7:00pm with a potluck-style meal, rosary & fellowship. **We'd love to have hosts from all parishes - we're specifically looking for hosts from the Lastrup & Harding areas in the near future.** If you would like to volunteer to host an evening, please call or text Cari Stumpf at 320-761-6336. ALL are welcome - bring a friend!

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:** We will have Adoration on Sunday September 15<sup>th</sup> during Saint Michael's Bazaar, after the Mass until 5PM. To sign up call Patty at 320-469-2487.

**The Sunday Night Faith Study Group** will begin meeting on Sunday night, September 15 at 7PM in the meeting room in the parish office. We will begin with "Evangelization and The Acts of the Apostles". Questions call Al Pekarek at 320-468-0220.

**ADULT FAITH STUDY:** The Tuesday Faith study group will begin meeting on September 17<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 in the meeting room in the parish office. We will begin with "Discovering the Eucharist and the Mass in the Bible" by Brant Pitre. Questions call Hilde Flicker 320-468-2649.

**CLASS OF 1967:** The Father Pierz Memorial High School class of 1967 will gather for an informal social in the back room at the Rooster in Genola on Saturday, Sept. 14 from 4 to 8 PM.

**PRODUCE GIVEAWAY:** There are tubs in the entrances of all the churches if you have extra produce you can't use and would like to share with the community. Everyone is welcome to take what you need or share it with the elderly or shut-ins.

**CHERISHING MEMORIES SUPPORT GROUP:** Emblom Brenny Funeral Service, 900 1<sup>st</sup> St. SE, Little Falls, MN. Mondays: September 16, 23, & 30, October 7, 14, & 21 from 6-7:30 p.m. Please call to register: 320-632-4393. All welcome.

**CENTRAL MINNESOTA KOINONIA:** **Do you need help with seeing God in others?** Central Minnesota Koinonia is a Catholic retreat experience for adults, aged 20 and older, joining together to get to know Jesus, God, each other and ourselves. TEC Center, Belle Prairie, 3 miles north of Little Falls. Sept 20-22 beginning at 5:30 PM Friday ending Sunday afternoon. Cost is \$70.00, includes meals and lodging, scholarships available. [centralmnkoinonia.org](http://centralmnkoinonia.org)/emailing [cmkoinonia@gmail.com](mailto:cmkoinonia@gmail.com)

**First Instruction in the Billings Ovulation Method:** Little Falls: Tuesday, August 6 and September 3 at 7:30 p.m. Rice: Monday, August 5 and September 9 at 6:30 p.m. St. Cloud: Thursday, August 22 and Monday, September 23 at 6:30 p.m. For additional teaching sites and information visit <https://stedio.org/natural-family-planning/> or contact Sheila Reineke at [sheila.reineke@gw.stedio.org](mailto:sheila.reineke@gw.stedio.org) | (320) 258-7609.

**What is the difference between the Women's Deanery and Christian Mothers/Women's group?** The primary mission of the Women's Deanery is to educate women in their *Spirituality*. The mission of Christian Mothers is to support children in their religious education. Both groups pray for their causes, and seek women to become actively involved in the planning, in order to attain best outcomes. ALL women of the parishes are automatically a member of DCCW, the Deanery and CM/W, when you become a member of your parish. Your personal involvement is a choice in *discipleship*; We need you.

**Sept. 14-15 ♦ Catholic Campaign for Human Development collection** Our diocese will take up a special collection the weekend of Sept. 14-15 for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. CCHD is the domestic anti-poverty office of the USCCB, which focuses on poverty education, peace outreach and grants to grassroots organizations working to fight poverty across the U.S. Funds collected are used for grants locally and nationally, with at least 25% of all funds remaining in our diocese to help local organizations. Please give generously as we work together to help our neighbors on the margins.

**FAITH TALKS WITH "UNCLE FRED"** "The Truth, Goodness, and Beauty of the Catholic Faith."

- \*Time: 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Sundays Sept. 22 to Nov. 10
- \*Sept. 22: Prayer: The Way of Perfection (Buckman)
- \*Sept. 29: The Christian Meaning of Human Suffering (Lastrup)
- \*Oct. 6: The Sacrament of Penance: Encountering Christ's Infinite Mercy (Harding)
- \*Oct. 13: The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass: The Sacrament of God's Unfathomable Love (Pierz)
- \*Oct. 20: Behold Your Mother: The Person of Mary in Catholic Doctrine (Buckman)
- \*Oct. 27: St. Joseph: Guardian of the Redeemer and Model of Fatherhood (Lastrup)
- \*Nov. 3: Catholic Teaching on the Holy Angels (Harding)
- \*Nov. 10: Catholic Teaching on Satan and the Fallen Angels (Pierz)

### **AREA NEWS:**

**\*Bazaar, St. Michael's Church, Buckman, Sunday, Sept. 15.** Polka Mass at 10 a.m. Music all day by Old Tyme Country Boys. Grand raffle, gun raffle, quilt raffle, sweet corn, pulled pork sandwiches, hamburgers, hotdogs, coffee cakes, pie & ice cream, caramel apples, cotton candy, beverages, bake sale, farmers market, fancy work, country store, silent auction, cash bingo, fish pond, games and much more!

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**\*STEAK & WINE - DINNER & AUCTION-** Steak & Wine 2024 is coming October 5<sup>th</sup> at the Pierz Ballroom. Tickets will be on sale at the school starting September 3<sup>rd</sup>. We are currently accepting donations for the online & live auction. Please call Steve (320-630-5303) or Kristin Andres (320-630-5354) to coordinate.

**\*HTCS HIRING- CUSTODIAN -** PT or FT, up to 40 hours/week, year round. Please contact the office for additional information: [office@holytrinitypierz.org](mailto:office@holytrinitypierz.org) or (320) 468-6446

**\*QUILTERS NEEDED-** We are looking for quilters willing to piece together and stitch class quilts. Please contact the office for more information.

**\*COFFEE-** Guatemalan coffee is always 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.

**\*HTCS BOARD OF DIRECTORS-** Holy Trinity is looking for 1 new member for our Board of Directors; this will be a member at large (from any of the four parishes). The three-year term will start in August 2024. Expertise in the area of finance preferred. Belief in the mission of Holy Trinity and Catholic education is a must. The volunteer position requires monthly meetings as well as committee assignments/meetings.

**\*HTCS CAFETERIA-** If you are looking for a volunteer opportunity, please contact the school about volunteering in the cafeteria (St. Joseph Church basement) during our lunch time! Please contact the office for more information. We can use volunteers every day of the week!

**Raffle Calendar Winners:** Posted first weekend after the end of the month

# GROWING

WITH THE *Gospel*

CYCLE B



## COLOR

Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.



## PUZZLE

Find and circle these words from today's Gospel:

GALILEE

DEAF

TALK

TOUCH

FINGERS

EARS

SPIT

TONGUE

AMAZED

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## MISSION

Go to the library and find out how to say "Jesus loves you" in sign language. On the way home, pretend you cannot hear or speak.